

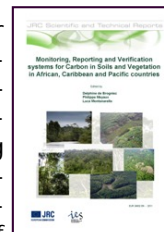
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[Monitoring, Reporting and Verification systems for Carbon in Soils and Vegetation in African, Caribbean and Pacific countries](#)

Improved terrestrial carbon management offers tremendous potential for climate change mitigation and, in many cases, there are associated co-benefits such as increased productivity, resilience, and biodiversity. In January 2011, the Institute for Environment and Sustainability of the Joint Research Centre organized an inter-service meeting on "Monitoring, Reporting and Verification systems for carbon in soils and vegetation in African, Caribbean and Pacific countries" with the objective of refining its long-term research agenda in that domain. This was achieved in the light of the needs of the Directorates-General involved in the development and environment policies namely DEVCO, ENV, CLIMA, ENTR, RTD and AGRI as well as of the recent evolution of the UNFCCC negotiations. This report encompasses the proceedings of the meeting together with the conclusions and recommendations to JRC work program stated by the invited experts and policy-makers from the different relevant DGs.



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[Second World Landslide Forum](#)

The Forum was held at FAO headquarters, Rome on 3-7 October and gathered 860 delegates from all over the world. It was organized by the International Consortium on Landslides (ICL) within the International Programme on Landslides (IPL), a thematic platform on landslides including ICL, UNESCO, FAO, UN-ISDR, WMO, UNU, ICSU, IUGS and many research and land management institutions. JRC was main convener of the largest session of the Forum (L04 - Landslide inventory and susceptibility and hazard zoning). The submitted papers will be published in proceedings by Springer. During the Forum JRC's Institute for Environment and Sustainability received the award as World Centre of Excellence on Landslide Disaster Reduction, together with a number of institutes around the world, on the theme "Research on landslide risk management harmonisation in support to European Union policy making".

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[European Soil Bureau Reports No1, No2, No3, No4 available as PDF](#)

Those EUR scientific reports have been scanned and made available to the public:

- Land Information Systems: Developments for planning the sustainable use of land resources (ESBN Report No 4)
- Use of pedotransfer in soil hydrology research in Europe (ESBN Report No 3)
- Soil Databases to support sustainable development (ESBN Report No 2)
- European Land Information Systems for Agro-environmental Monitoring (ESBN Report No 1)



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Newsletter Spotlight

[4 Open Vacancies in the SOIL Action of JRC, Ispra\(VA\), Italy](#)

- Integrated assessment of soil ecosystems in drylands - soil biodiversity (Cat 20)
- Development of modelling tools and scenario analysis to predict the quantitative effects of different mitigation measures on soil organic carbon stocks in agricultural soils (Cat 30)
- Next generation digital soil map of the world - Digital Soil Mapping (Cat 30)
- Assessment of soil erosion in Europe under different land use and climate change scenarios (Cat 30)

More Information: <http://ies.jrc.ec.europa.eu/call-for-granholders> (Total **4 doctoral positions and 30 post-doctoral positions** in Institute for Environment and Sustainability, Joint Research Centre, ISPRVA(VA). Deadline: 9/11/2011.

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