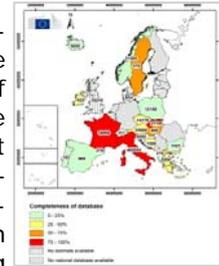


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National (and regional) landslide databases in Europe

A landslide inventory is the most important information source for quantitative zoning of landslide susceptibility, hazard and risk. It should give insight into the location, date, type, size, activity and causal factors of landslides as well as resultant damage. In Europe, many countries have created or are creating national and/or regional landslide databases. Yet little was known on their contents, completeness, format, structure, language use and accessibility, and hence on their ability to perform national or transnational landslide zoning. To fill this knowledge gap, Van Den Eeckhaut & Hervás (2012) performed a detailed analysis of existing national landslide databases in the EU member states, EU candidate and potential candidate countries plus EFTA countries, and their possible use for landslide zoning.



<http://eusoils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/library/themes/Landslides/Inventories.html>

Biochar Meta-analysis Database

Biochar Meta-analysis Database is being made publically available in order that the meta-analysis can be updated as new results become available. The matrix table is also available for download as a reference, to increase the ease at which studies can be found which have been attributed to each group. The Meta-analysis includes results from worldwide experiments testing the effect of biochar on crop yields. Their quantitative meta-analysis showed a 'grand mean' yield increase of 10%, while it also highlighted a high degree of variation and the need for a strategic research effort to allow elucidation of



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Nitrogen(N), Phosphorus(P), Potassium(K)

JRC held a Workshop on "NPK: Will there be enough plant nutrients to feed a world of 9 billion in 2050" (Brussels, 5-6 December 2011). This event was attended by a group of experts from academia, industry, policy DGs and JRC Institutes. The workshop examined a broad range of issues related to the adequate provision of fertilizers to support future world agricultural production. This topic represents a key factor in the overall question of global food security as we go towards a population of 9 billion. The contributions of this important event are available.

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Land and Soil Management Award 2012/13

Aim: To encourage new concepts of protection and their implementation and to enhance awareness of the importance of land and soil in connection with good agriculture and environmental conditions. This prize will reward professionals working in the area of land use and soil management pursuing the EU's soil protection goals, in particular those of the Soil Thematic Strategy. **Application Deadline:** 30/11/2012

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Open vacancies in JRC and other Institutions

Looking for a post-doc? Time to change Job?: A number of vacancies are published in the European Soil Portal. The Institute for Environment and Sustainability, Joint Research Centre has published postDocs and PhD posts with various deadlines in September. Find also vacancies from other organisations such as INRA (National Institute for Agronomic Research), University of Amsterdam, Aarhus University, Teagasc....etc

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