

New EU soil strategy (public consultation)

All citizens and organisations are welcome to contribute to this consultation. The Commission is, given the scale of this subject concerning essentially the broad public interest, looking for input from a wide range of stakeholders, including citizens, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and other organisations dealing with environmental and nature protection. All types of land managers, farm advisors, urban planners, rural and landscape developers, agro- (agrochemical, seed and other), food and beverage industry, extractive industries, other relevant industry stakeholders, research and academia as well competent public sectors in particular those dealing with the environment, agriculture, soil management and land planning are invited to participate. Deadline for comments: 27.4.2021. The survey link:



<https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/SoilStrategySurvey2021>

Open vacancy in Soil group: Development of an integrated soil monitoring system for the EU

JRC is recruiting a Scientific Officer for the development of an **Integrated Soil Monitoring System** for the EU, combining the current LUCAS soil monitoring system of the European Commission with existing National soil monitoring systems in Member States. The system will especially collect **new data on soil biodiversity** in the EU. The research officer will support the implementation of the EU Soil Observatory. Candidates must possess a degree in biology, soil science, earth sciences, environmental sciences or agricultural sciences, together with at least 5 years job-related experience on soil ecology, soil survey, soil monitoring and soil classification and analysis. Candidates are expected to lead and contribute to scientific publications and policy briefs. Deadline for applications: 15.3.2021. <https://recruitment.jrc.ec.europa.eu/> (2021-IPR-D3-FGIV-016568)



The European Commission is looking for specialists in agricultural development

The European Commission (EC) is currently looking for specialists with professional experience in the field of sustainable agriculture and rural development. Recruited policy officers will mainly work at the EC's Directorate General Agriculture and Rural Development (DG AGRI) in Brussels. Your main tasks will be to develop policies and new legislation, implement and manage existing legislation and programmes, perform economic analyses and provide policy perspectives. You will also negotiate and/or monitor trade agreements, contribute to evaluation activities on the performance and the EU added value of measures under the responsibility of DG AGRI. Deadline for applications 9.3.2021



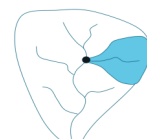
Protocol for the assessment of Sustainable Soil Management

This protocol, elaborated in the context of FAO's Global Soil Partnership, constitutes a fundamental tool to assess if any intervention in the field is carried out in a sustainable manner. In practical terms, the protocol provides key indicators and a set of tools to assess soil functions based on its physical, chemical and biological properties. A set of methodologies, instructions and guidelines will be developed and released in an updated version of the protocol during the first half of 2021. JRC soil team has contributed to it. http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload//GSP/SSM/SSM_Protocol_EN_006.pdf



Stream sediment concentrations (or yields) from measured watersheds

We launch a call to collect available data on stream sediment concentrations (or yields) from measured watersheds in European Union. We currently focus on small catchments, mainly agricultural land use (no badland or steep mountains). These collected data will allow users to validate/calibrate their models. The data collection will be concluded with a joint publication. In case you are interested, contact Panos Panagos



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