1st EUSO Stakeholder Forum

19-21 October 2021

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19.10.21 (AM)

09:45: Opening of Webex Room, Streaming Service and Slido

DRAFT AGENDA

10:00-12:30 Recent EU policy developments in soil

Moderator: Giovanni De Santi, European Commission JRC, Director Sustainable Resources

10:00 – Welcome, scope and update on EUSO

Giovanni De Santi European Commission JRC

10:10 - EU Soil Strategy

Claudia Olazabal European Commission DG ENV

10:30 - EU Mission: A Soil Deal for Europe: 100 living labs and lighthouses to lead the transition towards healthy soils by 2030

Kerstin Rosenow European Commission DG AGRI

10:45 - Zero Pollution Action Plan

Veronica Manfredi/Joachin D'Eugenio European Commission DG ENV

EU SOIL

11:00 TBC

11:15 - EP soil resolution

Martin Hojsík European Parliament

11:30 - Land Information System for Europe

Chris Steenmans European Environment Agency

11:45 - Questions from audience & Discussion

12:30 - Closing remarks: Giovanni De Santi

Establishment of EUSO Technical Working Groups

To support the implementation and operation of the EU Soil Observatory, one of the objectives of the EUSO Stakeholder Forum is to establish a series of Technical Working Groups. These Technical Working Groups (TWG) are meant to mirror the specific needs of the EUSO by:

- *** supporting the implementation and eventual operation of the Observatory
- *** developing the EUSO knowledge base
- *** serving specific policy driven needs.

Each working group will be chaired by the JRC together with (up to) two co-chairs, representing the respective policy drivers and/or a recognised expert in the field. Technical Working Groups will be composed of a limited group of Stakeholders with a recognised background in the specific domain.

The duration of Technical Working Groups should be nominally 12-24 months to reflect concrete actions. Meetings of the Working Groups are variable but at least two meetings per year are foreseen. It is possible that more regular meetings may be required during the implementation phase and in response to specific policy support requests.

Following the Technical Sessions of the EUSO Stakeholder Forum, the JRC will invite nominations to be members of Working Group, on the basis of proven experience and capacity to contribute.

The initial meetings will be online only. Future meetings will probably be hybrid in nature.

The outcomes of the Technical Working Groups will be reported to both the Stakeholder Forum and relevant EC Services and Agencies.

The following TWG will be established as a result of the 2021 Stakeholder Forum:

**Integrated soil monitoring

Scope: Contribute to development of an integrated monitoring system for the EU

**Soil pollution

Scope: Support to 2022 Clean Soil Monitoring and Outlook Report

**Data integration

Scope: Integration of relevant EU-wide data in EUSO/ESDAC?

**Soil biodiversity

Scope: What should the EU do to protect soil biodiversity?

**Soil erosion

Scope: Exploring the role of soil erosion in relation to land degradation, climate change, food security

A Community of Practice on Citizen Engagement will also be established.

19.10.21 (PM)

14:00-16:30 Core EUSO Objective: Integrated soil monitoring

Scope: Contribute to development of an integrated monitoring system for the EU

Moderators: Arwyn Jones/Anne Maréchal, EC JRC/EUSO

- Introduction and Scope: Arwyn Jones ,EC JRC/EUSO
- Soil monitoring in the Soil Strategy: Mirco Barbero, EC ENV
- Soil monitoring in the Soil Mission: Annette Schnegaans, EC AGRI
- Preliminary outcomes of EJP Soil WP6: Antonio Bispo, INRAE
- Indicators and thresholds for soil indicator set: Rainer Baritz, EEA
- Reflections on the LUCASA project: Andreas Baumgarten, AGES, Austria
- Alpine Soil Information System: Christian Stenier, Alpine Convention Soil Protection WG
- Monitoring of Urban Soils: Przemysław Charzyński, SUITMA Project / Nicolaus Copernicus University, Poland
- Monitoring soils in semi-natural landscapes: Bridget Emmett, UKCEH
- Experiences in peatlands: Mogens Greve, Aarhus University, Denmark (TBC) / Franziska
 Tanneberger, Greifswald Mire Centre, Germany
- Monitoring of forest soils: Nicole Wellbrock, ICP Forests/Thünen-Institut, Germany
- Worldsoils carbon mapping project: Zoltan Szantoi, European Space Agency

Other contributions from the audience

Questions and Discussion

- Indicators
- National and LUCAS sampling strategies/schemes
- Compare national and LUCAS datasets
- Methods to combine national and LUCAS datasets
- Methods to combine existing maps

Establishment of EUSO Monitoring Technical Working Group

Next steps & Conclusions

20.10.2021

10:00-12:30 Developing the EUSO Knowledge Base (Part 1)

10:00 Parallel Session 1a: Soil pollution

Scope: Support to Clean Soil Monitoring & Outlook Report

Moderators: Piotr Wojda EC JRC/EUSO

- Introduction and Scope: Piotr Wojda, EC JRC
- Zero Pollution Action Plan: Joachim D'Eugenio, EC ENV
- Soil pollution in the EU Soil Strategy: Bavo Peeters, EC ENV
- Zero Pollution Monitoring: Ian Marnane,
 FFA
- Clean soil outlook, context, structure, inputs watchlist and roadmap: Piotr Wojda, EC JRC
- Diffuse pollution plastic & pesticides:
 Nicolas Beriot, Wageningen University & Research, NL
- Diffuse pollution metals: Panos Panagos, EC JRC
- Contaminated sites: Frank Swartjes, EIONET Soil Pollution Working Group/RIVM, NL
- Common Forum (MS) Dietmar Müller-Grabherr
- Bauhaus Brownfields' redevelopment (tbc)

10:00 Parallel Session 1b: Data integration

Scope: how can relevant EU-wide data be integrated in EUSO/ESDAC?

Moderators: Introduction and Scope: Marc Van Liedekerke, Calogero Schillaci, JRC/EUSO

- Introduction and Scope: Marc Van Liedekerke, EC JRC/EUSO
- The integration of EU-project results in EUSO: Maria Jose Amaral, REA
- EJP-SOIL as soil data provider to EUSO: Maria Fantappie', CREA Italy/Fenny Van Egmond, ISRIC Netherlands
- Is there a role for the European Soil Partnership in contributing to EUSO? : Maria Fantappie', CREA Italy
- EEA and EUSO. Is effective collaboration needed? Rainer Baritz, EEA
- Is there a role for EU national soil data organizations in contributing to EUSO? : Antonio Bispo, INRAE France

Contributions from the floor

Questions and Discussion

Establishment of EUSO Zero Pollution Technical Working Group

Next steps & Conclusions

Contributions from the floor

Questions and Discussion

Establishment of EUSO Data Integration Technical Working Group

Next steps & Conclusions

20.10.2021 (PM)

14:00-16:30 Developing the EUSO Knowledge Base (Part 2)

14:00 Parallel Session 2a: Soil biodiversity

Scope: What EU should do for protecting soil biodiversity?

Moderator: Alberto Orgiazzi, EC JRC/EUSO

- Introduction and scope: Alberto Orgiazzi, EC JRC/EUSO
- Soil biodiversity and EU environmental policies: Mirco Barbero, DG ENV
- Soil biodiversity and CAP: Olivier Diana, EC AGRI
- Soil biodiversity and private sector: Matteo Piombino, Corteva Agriscience
- Soil biodiversity and farming: Farmer TBC
- How to tell soil biodiversity: Rolf Sommer/Michael Berger, WWF
- Soil biodiversity and IUCN Red List: Sarine Barsoumian, IUCN
- Global Fungal Red List Initiative (TBC)
- Soil biodiversity monitoring in France: INRAE
- Global monitoring of soil biodiversity: Carlos Guerra, SoilBON

Contributions from the floor

Questions and Discussion

Establishment of EUSO Soil Biodiversity Technical Working Group

Next steps & Conclusions

14:00 Parallel Session 2b: Soil erosion in relation to land degradation, climate change & food security

Scope: What should the EU do to halt soil erosion?

Moderator: Panos Panagos, EC JRC/EUSO

- The post-2020 CAP and soil: Mike Mackenzie, EC AGRI
- Land use changes and Carbon fluxes: Julia Pongratz, Univ. Munich, Germany
- Food security and erosion: Christine Alewell, Univ. Basel, Switzerland
- Land degradation and the importance on Soil conservation: Edoardo Costantini, International Union of Soil Science Societies
- Gap of erosion models and Development of a network to validate models: Pasquale Borrelli, Univ. of Pavia, Italy
- An example of soil erosion monitoring in Flanders: Petra Deproost, Gov. of Flanders
- Chemical innovation to support sustainable agriculture and soil health: Claudio Screpanti, Syngenta
- Carbon sequestration in agricultural soils:
 Elizabeth Lunik, Rabobank
- Best practices followed by farmers:
 Sebastian Vogler, Farmer
- Afforestation to reduce land degradation:
 Rigas Tsakiris, NGO Green Institute

Contributions from the floor

Questions and Discussion

Establishment of EUSO Soil Erosion Technical Working Group

Next steps & Conclusions

21.10.2021

10:00-12:30: Young Soil Researchers Forum

Scope: To provide a platform and voice for young soil researchers

10:00 Plenary Session

- Welcome: Alberto Orgiazzi
- JRC Doctoral Training Programme: Panos Panagos
- Housekeeping for Breakout Rooms: Arwyn Jones

10:10 Breakout Rooms (see Annex for programme of presentations)

- Soil erosion (Moderators: Panos Panagos & Francis Mathews)
- Soil organic carbon (Moderators: Calogero Schillaci & Anna Muntwyler)
- Soil biodiversity (Moderators: Alberto Orgiazzi & Maëva Labouyrie)
- Soil monitoring & contamination (Moderators: Diana Viere, Anne Maréchal & Julia Koeninger)
- 11:10 Break
- 11:20 Breakout Rooms (continued)
- 12:20 Plenary Conclusions and way forward

Please see the Annex after this Agenda for a complete listing of the individual presentations in the Young Soil Researchers Breakout Rooms

14:00-16:30 Core EUSO Objective: Citizen Engagement - Soil Literacy (with Soil Mission)

Scope: To establish a Community of Practice on Citizen Engagement to support the implementation of the EU Soil Strategy and Soil Mission

Moderators: Arwyn Jones, EC JRC/EUSO & Arianna Pasa, EC AGRI/Soil Mission Secretariat

- Introduction and Scope: Arwyn Jones, EC JRC/EUSO
- Citizen engagement and the new EU Soil Strategy: Mirco Barbero EC ENV
- Introduction to the Citizen Engagement/Education/Communication elements in the Soil Mission: Arianna Pasa, EC AGRI
- Citizen Engagement: how to do it properly? Ângela Guimarães Pereira, EC JRC
- Education and youth programmes in Horizon Europe: Dalibor Mladenka DG EAC (tbc)
- The role of soil science in raising awareness Gabrielle Broll (ENSA/University of Osnabruck, Germany), Christine Berrill (IUSS World Soil Congress), Anna Krzywoszynska (Soil Care Network), Bridget Emmett (CEH, UK)
- Experiences with local authorities: Christian Steiner (Lower Austria/ELSA), Francesco Malucelli (Regione Emilia Romagna, Italy)
- Global Soil Partnership & World Soil Day: Lucrezia Caon, FAO
- Youth awareness: Šarlote Abatniece, Raivo Kleijsen Laas, Darina Alexandrova (European School Students); Rebecca Lardeur, Youth4Climate Ambassador
- Soil Biodiversity Massive Online Course: Nelson Ribeiro Jorge, EC JRC
- Soil4Life Manifesto: Legambiente, Italy (tbc)
- Farmers and citizen engagement: Alfred Grand (tbc), Benedikt Bose (tbc)
- Mario Catizzone, Angeli del suolo

16:30 - 17:00 Summary and Close of Forum

Reflections: Luca Montanarella, EC JRC/EUSO

1st Young Soil Researchers Forum (YSRF) Programme

Soil Erosion

Moderators: Panos Panagos & Francis Mathews

order	Start time	Presenting Author	Title	
1	10:10	Francis Matthews JRC, KU Leuven	Dynamic modelling of soil erosion and sediment delivery in Europe	
2	10:17	Anita Bernatek-Jakiel Jagiellonian University, Kraków	Susceptibility of soils to piping erosion in Europe	
3	10:24	Simon Scheper Natural Hazards, Vienna	Risk Assessment vs Wind Erosion Modelling	
4	10:31	Sema Kaplan Erciyes University	Assessing the Performance of Wind Erosion Prediction Models (RWEQ & SWEEP)	
5	10:38	Lena Katharina Öttl <i>University of Augsburg</i>	Tillage erosion as a driver of in-field biomass patterns and soil organic carbon dynamics	
6	10:45	Osumgborogwu Ikenna Durham University	A multi-method approach to analyze changes in gully characteristics	
7	10:52	Pinar Melis Ankara University	Upscaling cover management factor for different land use types in semi-arid agro-ecosystems	
8	11:59	Filippo Milazzo University of Córdoba	The resilience of soil erosion rate under LUC and the role of the Mediterranean grassland	
9	11:06	Tobias Koch Agricultural Landscape (ZALF)	Calibration of soil erosion models for permanent bioenergy crops	
10	11:13	Konstantinos Kaffas University of Bozen-Bolzano	Event-based soil erosion and sediment yield modeling for modelling reservoir sedimentation in the Alps	
11	11:20	Somil Swarnkar Indian Institute of Technology	Quantifying hydrogeomorphic and climatic controls on sediment dynamics in large Himalayan basins	
12	11:27	Simoni Alexiou Agricultural University of Athens	Assessing soil erosion and sedimentation through high accuracy tLiDAR and UAV-Photogrammetry technique	
13	11:34	Sophia Bahddou Cranfield University	Effect of random and oriented soil surface roughness on water infiltration, runoff and soil loss	
14	11:41	Marta Basso University of Aveiro	A modelling approach to evaluate different post-fire management scenarios	

15	11:48	Marcos Francos University of Salamanca	Forest management to reduce wildfire severity and avoid soil degradation in Mediterranean forests	
16	11:55	Joana Parente Universidade de Lisboa	Assessing the impact of wildfires on long-term erosion: : LAPSUS and IC	
	12:02		Discussion	
12:20 Return to main Forum			Return to main Forum	

Soil Organic Carbon

Moderators: Calogero Schillaci & Anna Muntwyler

order	Start time	Presenting Author	Title		
1	10:10	Anne Muntwyler JRC and ETH Zurich	Modelling agricultural soil P dynamics in a long-term experiment of north-eastern Italy		
2	10:17	Simone Zepp German Aerospace Center (DLR)	Estimation of Soil Organic Carbon Contents in Croplands from SCMaP Soil Reflectance Composites		
3	10:24	Julia Fohrafellner BIOS Science Austria, Vienna	Quality assessment of meta-analyses on Soil Organic Carbon research		
4	10:31	Laura Sofie Harbo Department of Agroecology, Aarhus University	Changes in Danish agricultural soil SOC inventory between 2008 and 2018		
5	10:38	Konstantinos Karyotis Laboratory of Remote Sensing, Spectroscopy, and GIS, University of Thessaloniki	A crowdsourcing spiked bottom-up approach for Soil Organic Carbon mapping through multispectral imagery analysis.		
6	10:45	Asma Jebari Basque Centre for Climate Change, Bizkaia	Regional modelling of Soil Organic Carbon changes and greenhouse gas emissions in grasslands associated to cattle dairy production in Northern Spain		
7	10:52	Elisa Bruni Laboratoire des Sciences du Climat et de l'Environnement, Saclay, Gifsur- Yvette	Assessing the feasibility of Soil Organic Carbon stock increase in Europe with a multi-modelling		
8	11:59	Zsófia Adrienn Kovács Institute for Soil Sciences and Agricultural Chemistry, Budapest	Soil organic carbon content predicting based on PRISMA hyperspectral satellite imagery and synthetized LUCAS SOIL spectral data		
	11:06		Break		
9	11:13	Melani Cortijos-López Instituto Pirenaico de Ecología, Zaragoza	Mediterranean mid-mountain adaptation to Global Change: land management as strategy for enhancing Soil Carbon stock		
10	11:20	Moritz Koza Institute of Geosciences and Geography, Martin Luther University, Halle Wittenberg	Natural limitations influence the effect of tillage on aggregation in dry steppe soils		
11	11:27	Murphy Rachael Trinity College Dublin, Dublin and Teagasc, Wexford	Nitrous oxide emissions determined by eddy covariance and SC methods from a grazed grassland		
12	11:34	O'Neill Rosie Trinity College Dublin, Dublin and Teagasc, Wexford			

The effect of carbon availability on N2O emissions is moderated by soil phosphorus

13	11:41	Olha Khomenko Teagasc, Wexford and Department of Chemical Sciences, University of Limerick	Phosphorus availability and dynamics in soils amended with recycled dairy processing sludge
14	11:48	Dawid Kupka Department of Forest Ecology and Silviculture, Krakow	How does climate change affect the soil organic matter of spruce stand soils?
15	11:55	Maria Nolan University of Plymouth	Multi-dimensional environmental factors drive Soil Organic Matter formation across vegetation communities in a freshwater wetland
16	12:02	Łukasz Musielok Institute of Geography and Spatial Management, Jagiellonian University, Kraków	Linkage between land cover change and Soil Organic Carbon sequestration in mountain ecosystems
	12:09		Discussion
	12:20 Return to main Forum		

Soil biodiversity

Moderators: Alberto Orgiazzi & Maëva Labouyrie

Start time	Presenting Author	Title
10:10	Maëva Labouyrie Zurich University, JRC	Soil microbial diversity and ecosystem functioning assessment across Europe
10:20	Linnea Smith <i>iDiv</i>	Large-scale drivers of relationships between soil microbial properties and organic carbon across Europe
10:30	Dajana Radujković Antwerp University	Consistent predictors of microbial community composition across scales in grasslands reveal low context-dependency
10:40	Sorcha R. Kelly Teagasc, James Hutton Institute, National Uni of Ireland Galway	Soil nitrogen mineralisation, microbial community, and enzymatic activity are impacted by soil type and nutrient management
10:50	Rémy Beugnon iDiv, Leipzig University	Tree diversity effects on litter decomposition are mediated by litterfall and microbial processes
11:00	Katy J. Faulkner University of Warwick	High rainfall disturbs soil microbial structure and function in a temperate forest under elevated CO2
11:10		10 minutes break
11:20	Carmen Vazquez Wageningen University	The evolution of biological soil quality under long term agricultural management
11:30	Pilar Gavín-Centol EEZA – CSIC	Feeding activity of soil detritivores in wheat fields: relationship between depth, drought and farming systems
11:40	Victoria J Burton Natural History Museum	Historical changes of land use on local soil and leaf-litter biodiversity
11:50	Michael Steinwandter Eurac Research	High alpine soil macro-invertebrates communities – First results from three elevation gradients (1500–3000 m)
12:00	Gemma Collins Senckenberg Biodiversity and Climate Research Center	Comparing soil invertebrate genomes for functional trait differences
12:10	Romy Zeiss Leipzig University	Challenges and opportunities for protecting European soil biodiversity
12:20		Return to main Forum

Soil monitoring and contamination

Moderators: Diana Viere, Anne Maréchal & Julia Koeninger

Start time	Presenting Author	Title	
10:10	Julia Köninger <i>U. Vigo, JRC</i>	Manure management and soil biodiversity: Towards more sustainable food systems in the EU	
10:18	Diego Baragaño <i>U. Oviedo</i>	Unravelling graphene oxide effects on arsenic and metals mobility, soil microbiology and plant physiology during polluted soil (nano)remediation	
10:26	Szimona Zarzsevszkij CZU Prague	Effect of soil water content on metal(loid) stabilization by amendments in a contaminated mine technosol	
10:34	Miroshnychenko Inna USRIEP Kharkiv	Dynamics of self-cleaning processes in the oil-contaminated Chernozem	
10:42	Paul Drenning Chalmers UT, COWI AB	Phytomanagement of Contaminated Sites	
10:50	Inés Pereira-Rodríguez <i>U. León</i>	Mining waste distribution in torrential wadis: analysis with sentinel-2 of Cartagena mining district	
10:58	Leonidas Liakos JRC	Challenges in geo-processing of Large scale Soil datasets. A geographer's perspective.	
11:06		Break	
11:15	Antonio Rodríguez Hernández INIA-CISA/CSIC	Targeted monitoring of veterinary pharmaceuticals in the environment based on soil vulnerability to antibiotic contamination	
11:23	Chris Feeney UKCEH, ECW	Ensemble soil map assessment highlights challenges for predicting topsoil organic carbon concentration at national scale.	
11:31	Olivia Azevedo U. Stirling	Historical effects on aggregate stability and SOC storage during forest succession	
11:39	Florian Lauryssena KU Leuven	Survey in old forests sediments to infer phosphorus reference conditions in Flanders	
11:47	Yakun Zhang U. Wisconsin-Madison	Spectra-informed soil profile characterization and soil classification	
11:55	Giulio Genova Free U. Bolzano	Land-use history and trace metal concentration to assess the impact of agricultural management on soil	
12:03	Daniel L. Evans <i>Cranfield U</i> .	Sustainability rooted in soil science	
12:13		Discussion	
12:20		Return to main Forum	