



Eionet NRC Soil

Date: Thursday, 15 October 2015, 09:00-17:30

Venue:

EEA, Conference room
Copenhagen, Denmark

Background and objectives of the meeting

While in the past NRC Soil work may have mostly focussed on data delivery for the 'Progress in management of contaminated sites' indicator, the scope of the NRC Soil is currently broadly on providing expertise on soil functions and degradation processes, and their drivers and responses on national territories. This broadening of scope is very relevant in current policy attention to and activities around ecosystem assessment and resource efficiency.

As such, NRC Soil delivers data on a voluntary basis; while it also functions as a reviewing and commenting panel on EEA analyses/assessments that have a strong soil focus. Through their participation in NRC Soil meetings, country representatives also have an opportunity to share knowledge and experience.

This meeting will provide an update on where soil fits within the EEA multi-annual work programme. Accordingly, recently completed and on-going EEA soil activities and products will be presented. Some of these activities and products are in cooperation with JRC's 'Soil Resource Assessments' Project. Countries will be invited to contribute with their view and expertise on how to develop/shape future activities. In this sense, an agenda item on the network's role in soil assessments is included to discuss the way forward.

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Agenda

Chair: Andrus Meiner, Geertrui Louwagie (EEA)

08:30	Registration	Charlotta Colliander Golding (EEA)
Welcome and setting the scene		
09:00	Welcome and 'tour de table'	Andrus Meiner (EEA)
09:15	Background and objectives of the meeting	Geertrui Louwagie (EEA)
09:30	Recent EU land and soil activities	Jacques Delsalle (DG ENV)
NRC Soil contributions over the past year		
10:00	SOER 2015 – Thematic briefings on Soil and Land systems – follow-up	Geertrui Louwagie (EEA)
10:15	Revised 'Soil Atlas for Europe' and other atlases	Marc Van Liedekerke (DG JRC)
10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Debriefing of NRC ad-hoc Working group meetings on contaminated sites and back-to-back meeting with NRC LUSP ▪ Report on Contaminated Sites Success Stories 	Ana Payá Pérez (DG JRC)
10:45	Discussion	All
11:00	Coffee/tea	
Recent, on-going and planned soil activities		
11:15	Commission study to analyse soil legislation and policy instruments	Jacques Delsalle (DG ENV)
11:30	EEA Technical Report 'Soil resource efficiency of soils in urbanised areas'	Geertrui Louwagie (EEA)
11:45	Soil biodiversity and ecosystem services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MAES progress ▪ MAES soil pilot 	Markus Erhard, Andrus Meiner (EEA) Jacques Delsalle (DG ENV)
12:15	Copernicus Land Monitoring Services HRL Imperviousness: new indicator 2006-2009, dataset 2012 and outlook 2015+	Tobias Langanke (EEA), ETC ULS
12:30	LUCAS-Soil: results 2012, status survey 2015 and outlook 2018+	Marc Van Liedekerke (DG JRC)
12:45	Soil Activities in JRC WP 2015-2016	Ana Payá Pérez (DG JRC)
13:00	Lunch	
Country forum		
14:00	Country contributions and discussion	All
15:30	Coffee/tea	
The way forward		
16:00	Knowledge and information sharing and networking activities for soil assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Follow-up of NRC Soil meeting 2014 action points ▪ Planning 2016 	All Marc Van Liedekerke (DG JRC)
17:15-17:30	Wrap-up and conclusions	Chair