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Editor's Note

I must apologize to all WASWAC members that our HOT NEWS has become less hot these days. There have been many things to do in this transition year, and the number of staff doing this publication is very limited.

As there are a big number of items of interest to inform our members, we decided to put this issue of HOT NEWS into two parts: Part A for meetings and Part B for all other things.

My trip to China in June this year has been very successful and I will report the achievement in the other part of the HOT NEWS. Group photo below shows officials from many agencies of China who came to the meeting of the WASWAC Secretariat on June 9, 2010. Dr Karika Kunta of the Land Development Department of Thailand who was invited to visit various institutions in China at that time also participated in this meeting.

<u>Wang Fei</u>	<u>Liu Xiaoying</u>	<u>Lu Shunguang</u>	<u>Samran Sombatpanit</u>	<u>Jin Hai</u>	<u>Li Dingqiang</u>	<u>Liu Guobin</u>
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Group photo after the end of the meeting

LANDCON Series of Meetings*

No.	Meeting topic	Place	Time
0902	Conference of the International Erosion Control Association (IECA): Environmental Connection 09 www.ieca.org	Reno, Nevada, USA	Feb 9-12, 2009
0903	Conference on Land Degradation in Dry Environments jawadhi@kuc01.kuniv.edu.kw	Kuwait City, Kuwait	Mar 8-14, 2009
0905a	Global Change, Challenge for Soil Management: From Degradation – Through Soil and Water Conservation – To Sustainable Soil Management www.sfb.bg.ac.yu/erosion2009/	Tara Mt., Serbia	May 26-30, 2009
0905b	Conference on “The sustainable development of water resources”, organized by Hydrotechnics Faculty of “Politehnica” University of Timisoara, Romania gcr@mail.dnttm.ro	Timisoara, Romania	May 27-28, 2009
0906a	The 10th international meeting on Soil with Mediterranean Type of Climate http://www.cnrs.edu.lb/10IMSMTC.pdf	Beirut, Lebanon	Jun 22-26, 2009
0906b	Conference on “Challenges and Opportunities of Bioindustrial Watershed Development for the Prosperity of the Farming Community”, organized by the Soil Conservation Society of India www.soilcsi.org/	Bengaluru, India	Jun 25-27, 2009
0909	International Conference on Desertification in memory of Professor John B. Thornes http://fobos.bio.um.es/thornes/doku.php , arodi@um.es	Murcia, Spain	Sep 16-18, 2009
0911	International Seminar on Upland for Food Security, Faculty of Agriculture, University of Soedirman, Purwokerto, Central Java. Contact Budi Prakoso prabud2001@yahoo.com	Purwokerto, Central Java, Indonesia	Nov 7-8, 2009
1004a	Interpraevent Conference in the Pacific Rim http://interpraevent2010.nchu.edu.tw/scchen@nchu.edu.tw	Taipei, Taiwan	Apr 26-30, 2010
1004b	6 th National Seminar on Watershed Management and 4 th National Seminar on Soil Erosion and Sediment. wmconf6@gmail.com , seconf4@gmail.com	Noor, Iran	Apr 28-29, 2010
1005	First International Conference on Soil and Roots Engineering Relationship habibibibalani@gmail.com	Ardebil Province, Iran	May 24-26, 2010
1009	FAME 2010 , an annual event organized by Green World Conferences Contact: Derek Michalski at dm@greenworldconferences.com , www.greenworldconferences.com	Berlin, Germany	Sep 13-14, 2010
1010	FIRST WASWAC COUNCIL MEETING and Int. Conf. on Combating Land Degradation in Agricultural Areas: www.ms.iswc.ac.cn , lirui@ms.iswc.ac.cn , wafe@ms.iswc.ac.cn , landcon1010@gmail.com	Xian, Shaanxi, China	October 11-15, 2010
1011	International Conference on Cooling the Earth , coolingtheearth2010@rediffmail.com , coolingtheearth2010@gmail.com , drvirsingh@rediffmail.com , www.gbpuat.ac.in	Pantnagar, India	Nov 15-17, 2010
1012a	International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission Seminar on Land Use, Biodiversity and Climate Change dr.mahfuzarahman@gmail.com , iguguwahati2010.org	Guwahati, Assam, India	Dec 11-13, 2010
1012b	ASADWA Arid and Semi-arid Development through Water Augmentation, Optimizing water resources in a world of water shortage , www.asadwa.ugent.be . Contact asadwa@ugent.be	Valparaiso, Chile	Dec 13-17, 2010
1101	SWAT SEA II Workshop and Conference: nguyenkimloi@gmail.com http://ssc.hcmuaf.edu.vn ,	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam	January 4-8, 2011
1103	BioWise 2011 , an annual event organized by Green World Conferences , Contact: Derek Michalski at dm@greenworldconferences.com , www.greenworldconferences.com	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Mar 14-15, 2011

*See details in this issue of HOT NEWS. Organizers of these conferences have pledged to follow the Guidelines for Successful Meetings (<http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/consti-decentra.html>) that WASWAC had deliberated and achieved in 2008, to facilitate the attendance of academics and professionals so that the meetings that we recommend are of high quality, worth the expenses they have to pay if they decide to go to attend. If your meeting will meet at least 7 in 10 points (by self-appraisal) in the Guidelines, you may register the event in the LANDCON series and receive certain technical support from WASWAC at no cost. To register, write to Samran Sombatpanit at sombatpanit@yahoo.com.

Results from these LANDCON meetings will be posted on the website operated by our Secretariat in Beijing www.irtces.org.

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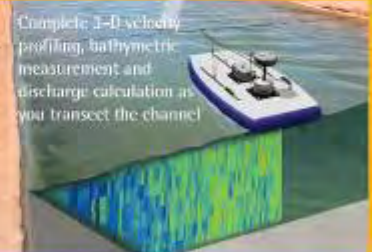


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Conference organizers may ask for a 'LANDCON Cooperation Package' from WASWAC, where among several benefits you may ask WASWAC to endorse your event, register it in the global LANDCON series of meetings as well as to offer participants free Guest membership in WASWAC for one year.

This is our service to society. Ask for the file Cooperation Package from sombatpanit@yahoo.com or click <http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/consti-decentra.html> & <http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/package.html>.

IMPORTANT

We can publicize your stuff sent to us in Word. If you send to us in pdf, we will be able to put only a few words in our WASWAC Newsletter or HOT NEWS. [NOTE: Another way to promote your meeting event is by sending your stuff to publish in the EARTHSCAN E-alert. Please contact dan.harding@earthscan.co.uk]

MEETINGS 2010++

July 3-7, 2010

24th International Congress for Conservation Biology (ICCB): The 2010 meeting of the Society for Conservation Biology (SCB) will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada on July 3rd-7th, 2010. The theme of the meeting is "Conservation for a Changing Planet." Because of the focus on environmental change, the meeting will highlight the importance of multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches to conservation.

www.conbio.org/2010

July 4-7, 2010

The 9th European IFSA Symposium: 4-7 July 2010 in Vienna! **Building sustainable rural futures - The added value of systems approaches in times of change and uncertainty.** The following five themes give an overview of the issues that will be addressed at the 9th European IFSA Symposium: 1. Knowledge Systems, learning and collective action; 2. Transition, resilience, and adaptive management; 3. Energy production, CO2 sink and climate change; 4. Sustainable food systems; 5. Landscape and rural land use

July 5-9, 2010

AOGS 2010 will be held at the Hyderabad International Convention Centre, India, on July 5-9, 2010.

<http://www.asiaoceania.org/aogs2010/index.asp>

<http://www.asiaoceania.org/aogs2010/public.asp?page=sessionProposal.htm>

July 6-7, 2010

Spatial assessment and analysis of vulnerability GIScience applied in the interdisciplinary domain of hazard and climate change research

Workshop within the framework of GI_Forum 2010, July 6 – 7, 2010 - Salzburg, Austria

Information available at www.gi-forum.org

This theme is expected to highlight different developed and currently investigated methodologies to **spatially assess vulnerability**. It will specifically address the issue of **vulnerability assessment**, independent from conceptual discussions. The focus will be on the **review and discussion of different methods** of GIScience employed to assess, quantify and represent vulnerability as integrated spatial phenomena. Within a workshop session, current **achievements and future research challenges** will be identified and formulated.

Topics

- Assessments in the domains of disaster risk reduction, climate change, natural hazards and human security
- Methods for indicator selection and index construction
- Scale issues in vulnerability assessments
- Validation and accuracy of vulnerability assessments
- Spatio-temporal visualisation of complex indicators

The workshop is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 6** and **Wednesday, July 7, 2010** and will be followed by the annual GI_Forum. In addition to **presentations** ranging from different scholarly schools of vulnerability the workshop will focus on output oriented **discussion sessions**.

The papers will be peer-reviewed and published in a book.

Schedule

- Deadline for submission of full papers for oral presentation and publication in the conference proceedings **1 February 2010** (Information about submission of papers is available at www.gi-forum.org)
- Notification about accepted contributions 17 March 2010

Scientific committee

- Susan L. Cutter, University of South Carolina (Keynote Speaker)
- Mark Pelling, King's College London
- Thomas Loster, Munich Re Foundation
- Fabrice Renaud, United Nations University (EHS)
- Klaus Steinnocher, Austrian Institute of Technology
- Melanie Gall, Louisiana State University
- Peter Zeil, Centre for Geoinformatics – University of Salzburg
- Stefan Kienberger, Centre for Geoinformatics – University of Salzburg

About GI_Forum

The world cultural heritage city of Salzburg is the setting for the 4th Geoinformatics Forum. GI_Forum 2010 runs concurrently with the highly regarded German language conference on Applied Geoinformatics, both organized by Salzburg University's Centre for Geoinformatics. The two symposia share the innovative AGIT EXPO exhibition and stimulating social events. The interdisciplinary GI_Forum focuses on an international GIScience audience, communicating in English, and sharing an interest in translating new methods and techniques into a broad range of application domains in Geoinformatics. Young researchers and established scientists find a vibrant GI community from academia, industry, and government to analyze progress and to explore new research directions www.gi-forum.org

July 12-14, 2010

Uruguayan ISTRO Branch and the Uruguayan Society of Soil Science Conference

The science and technology community is invited to participate in a meeting on the topic of "Soil properties dynamics under different land uses" to be held in Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay. Topics include: Evaluation of soil quality; Land, energy and food security; Soil fertility and plant nutrition; Erosion and runoff management; Control of land degradation and potential for restoration; and the Environmental impacts of different plant production systems. Invited speakers include Ricardo Melchiori, Cimeli Bayer, Douglas Karlen, Jorge Hernandez, Blair McKenzie, and Mariano Saluzzi. Manuscripts and posters should be submitted before 30 March 2010. The website of the Universidad de la Republica – Uruguay, Estacion Experimental station (<http://www.eemac.edu.uy>) provides a range of information for this meeting (as well as hosting information for the

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19 triennial conference). Details specific to this meeting can be found at
(http://www.eemac.edu.uy/dmdocuments/reunion_tecnica/La_Sociedad_Uruguaya_de_Ciencia_del_Suelo_y_la_ISTRO.pdf). A meeting of the ISTRO board will follow on **15-16 July 2010**.

July 21-23, 2010



[Flyer_Symposium_Hanoi_2010.pdf](#)

International Symposium "Sustainable Land Use and Rural Development in Mountainous Regions of Southeast Asia", 21-23 July 2010 in Hanoi, Vietnam, Organized by "The Uplands Program", Hohenheim University and Hanoi University of Agriculture

The conference would like to invite scholars and practitioners to share their research results and experience in the fields of resources management, poverty reduction and innovation development/adoption in mountain regions. Please find the call for papers attached.

We would be grateful if you could forward this call on to interested colleagues.

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August 1-6, 2010

AN INVITATION TO THE **19TH WORLD CONGRESS OF SOIL SCIENCE** <http://www.ccm.com.au/soil/>, www.19wcso.org.au. On behalf of Officers of the International Union of Soil Science, we are delighted to extend our personal invitation to you to join us in Brisbane, Australia for the 19th World Congress of Soil Science to be held 1-6 August 2010 at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The conference theme "Soil Solutions for a Changing World" provides a tremendous opportunity for a broad range of presentations – we urge you to share your research, experiences and knowledge with members in Brisbane.

We are very proud to be associated with an outstanding group of professionals who have gathered to form the steering committee for the 19th World Congress, led jointly by Professor Steve Raine and Mr Mike Grundy. Won't you join us and colleagues from throughout the world in what promises to be an outstanding gathering of the Soil Science community.

Roger Swift, President, International Union of Soil Sciences

Neal Menzies, Vice-President, International Union of Soil Sciences

It is our privilege and pleasure, on behalf of the Australian Society of Soil Science Inc., to introduce the 19th World Congress of Soil Science to be held at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, 1 to 6 August 2010. The Congress, held every four years, presents a global forum at which all those involved in Soil Science can meet with scientists, researchers, academics and professionals to discuss and find Soil Solutions for a Changing World. While you are here we would encourage you and your family to take the time to experience the best of what Queensland has to offer. Brisbane, the capital of Queensland, is a modern, sophisticated city of more than 1.6 million people. Queenslanders enjoy a safe and friendly lifestyle and you will appreciate the reasons why our state is a great place to live, a great place to do business and a great place to visit.

Our Conference Committee is a totally committed group of professionals who are hard at work to present an outstanding conference. We look forward to welcoming you in 2010 to what we are confident will be the best ever World Congress of Soil Science.

Steve Raine, Co-Chair, 19th World Congress of Soil Science

Mike Grundy, Co-Chair, 19th World Congress of Soil Science

Council Meetings at the World Congress of Soil Science

Meetings of IUSS Council will take place during the World Congress of Soil Science in Brisbane August 1-6, 2010. Fully paid up National Members are requested to nominate to iuss@reading.ac.uk their representative at the Council Meetings as soon as possible. Nominated representatives of National Members will receive all information relevant to the Council Meeting and be able to vote during these

meetings. Key matters to be discussed will be: revisions to Statutes and Bye-Laws; the potential selection of the host country for the WCSS in 2018; the scope of the IUSS prizes. Please send details of your National Member representative to Stephen Nortcliff at iuss@reading.ac.uk (From IUSS Alert 59)

August 2-4, 2010

Qualitative GIS: emerging issues and possible futures

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August 2-3, 4-6, 2010

2010 International SWAT Conference to be held in Ilsan, South Korea, in the period 2-6 August 2010.

<http://www.swat-k.re.kr>; <http://www.brc.tamus.edu/swat>

DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF THE SWAT MODEL

The Soil and Water Assessment Tool (SWAT) is a public domain model jointly developed by USDA Agricultural Research Service (USDA-ARS) and Texas AgriLife Research, part of The Texas A&M University System. SWAT is a river basin-scale model to simulate the quality and quantity of surface and ground water and predict the environmental impact of land management practices on different soil patterns and land use patterns. SWAT is widely used in assessing soil erosion prevention and control, non-point source pollution control and regional management in watersheds. In cooperation with Korea Institute of Construction Technology (KICT), Sustainable Water Resources Research Center (SWRRC), USDA-ARS and TAMUS, the SWAT International Conference will be at the KINTEX at Ilsan, Korea on August 2-6, 2010.

CONFERENCE VENUE: The conference will be at the KINTEX, Ilsan, KOREA

Workshops will be at the multipurpose hall, KICT (in front of KINTEX)

CALL FOR PAPERS

Conference Proceedings will be published.

• Deadline for abstract submission: April 30, 2010

• Deadline for paper submission: June 30, 2010

Upload abstracts to the conference Website: <http://www.swat-k.re.kr>

ACCOMMODATIONS: For Hotel information visit the Conference Website.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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Workshop Registration, August 2-3, 2010

The workshop registration fee includes workshop materials, lunch and coffee breaks.

Workshops include:	Participants	Students
Introductory SWAT	US\$300	US\$200
Advanced SWAT	US\$300	US\$200

How to Register: A limited number of seats are available and workshops will be held concurrently. Register online or obtain a registration form at: <http://www.swat-k.re.kr>; <http://www.brc.tamus.edu/swat>

Conference Registration, August 4-6, 2010

The conference registration fee includes conference materials, coffee breaks, lunch and a social dinner. Early Registration for participants, US\$300, and for students, US\$100. Registration must be received on or before May 31, 2010. Registrations received after May 31, 2010 for participants is US\$350 and for students is US\$150.

How to Register

Register online or obtain a registration form at: <http://www.swat-k.re.kr>, <http://www.brc.tamus.edu/swat>

Cancellation Policy: Participants who cancel by June 20, 2010 will receive 100 % of registration fee. No refunds for cancellations after June 20, 2010.

What to Expect

- SWAT development and application
- Large scale assessment
- Landscape processes
- In-stream
- GIS interfaces and databases
- Climate change
- New developments
- Auto-calibration and uncertainty analysis

Contact Dr. R. Srinivasan, Texas A&M University Spatial Sciences Laboratory r-srinivasan@tamu.edu

Dr. Nam-Won Kim, Korea Institute of Construction Technology Water Resources Research Division

nwkim@kict.re.kr. Conference Website: <http://www.swat-k.re.kr>; <http://www.brc.tamus.edu/swat>

August 3-6, 2010

Third Summer School and Conference "Applied Geoinformatics for Society and Environment (AGSE 2010)", Arequipa, Peru

The overall scope of this series of conferences and summer schools is to offer an interdisciplinary, international forum for sharing knowledge about the application of Geoinformatics with focus on application and on developing countries. This will be achieved by a series of summer schools and conferences in different countries. In 2010, the conference will take place in Arequipa, Peru.

- * August 03 until 06, 2010
- * Universidad Catolica de Santa Maria, <http://www.ucsm.edu.pe/>
- * Conference Homepage: <http://www.applied-geoinformatics.org>

The content is twofold and participative. There will be professional training and workshops about current topics in the fields of Photogrammetry and Geoinformatics as well as reports (presentations) from the participants about applications and developments in their countries.

The program committee welcomes papers in all areas of Geoinformatics, Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Neogeography until June 30, 2010

All papers submitted until this date and accepted by the program committee will be included in the proceedings (digital or printed).

Papers submitted later can be included in the program, but not in the proceedings.

We particularly encourage contributions in

- * Environmental Issues, Sustainable Development, Millennium Development Goals
- * Photogrammetry, Earth Observation Systems, Information Extraction
- * Spatial Data Infrastructures
- * Internet based Applications

- * LIDAR Data Analysis
- * GIS and Education
- * Geoinformatics and Health
- * Cartography and Geovisualisation
- * GI Policy and Society, e-Government
- * Open Source Solutions and Tools
- * Alumni Session: Experiences

We are open for your additional suggestions.

In addition we plan the following Workshops (preliminary list):

- * Geo-Mashups in the Web 2.0 environment
- * Open Source GIS and Tools
- * Workshop on "R" for geospatial Analysis
- * Geodata Integration
- * Remote Sensing: Sensors & Data & Value Adding
- * Workshop Process Management
- * Adjustment computation and robust estimation
- * XML Technologies in Geoinformatic

Organizing Committee

- * Prof. Dr. Franz-Josef Behr, Stuttgart University of Applied Sciences, Germany
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- * Mirka Zimmermann M. Sc., Stuttgart / Cochabamba, Bolivia

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- * Prof. Dr. Dietrich Schröder, Stuttgart University of Applied Sciences, Germany
- * Dr. V. P. A. Weerasinghe, University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka

More information can be at the website: <http://applied-geoinformatics.org>

Your participation and your presentations are welcome! Dr. Franz-Josef Behr

August 8-14, 2010

Acacia symposium: International Legume Conference, Buenos Aires, Argentina. [More...](#)

August 11-13, 2010

Dear Amir,

I need that you send to the CA-CoP list the information about the **Aapresid Congress 2010**, that will be held on August 11-13, 2010 in Rosario, Argentina.

All the information is available at: http://www.congresoapresid.org.ar/main_eng.asp

Thank you!!

Best regards,

Agustin

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August 23-27, 2010

8th Flora Malesiana Symposium, Singapore Botanic Gardens, Singapore
Contact: e: Floramalesiana2010@nparks.gov.sg | [More...](#)

August 23-28, 2010

IUFRO 2010

International Union of Forest Research Organizations World Congress

***Forests for the Future: Sustaining Society
and the Environment***

Seoul, South Korea

[More Information](#)

August 23-28, 2010

PEN: PEN will host a panel, 'Global comparative analysis of local incomes from the forests', as part of session H.03 Forests, communities and cultures' during IUFRO World Congress, on 23–28 August 2010 in Seoul, South Korea. Twelve PEN Partners have been selected to present their case-study results in the context of the emerging global results. For more information about the Congress go to <http://www.iufro2010.com/>

August 29-September 3, 2010

AGRO2010 MONTPELLIER and the XIth ESA Congress <http://www.agropolis.fr/agro2010/index.html>

I have been asked to chair a session at the forthcoming meeting of the European Society of Agronomy in September 2010 entitled: "**S1.4: Conservation agriculture: Did we fail in Africa and which research priorities for the future?**" The organisers have invited Marc Corbeels and Pablo Tittonell to give a keynote talk, and there will then be a round table discussion for half an hour. This will be a useful forum to exchange views so I hope to meet many of you there. If you are able to attend the conference and would like to participate in the debate as part of a panel, please contact me directly.

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August 31-September 3, 2010

15th WORLD FERTILIZER CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CENTRE FOR FERTILIZERS (CIEC) www.icpa.ro/ciec, ciec@icpa.ro;

NOTE: Proceedings of the 14th World Fertilizer Congress of the International Scientific Centre of Fertilizer, Chiang Mai, Thailand, January 22-27, 2006

The proceedings, titled "Fertilizers and Fertilizations: Stewardship for Food Security, Food Quality, Environment and Nature Conservation," edited by S. Haneklaus, Ch. Hera, G. Hofman, T. Nemeth, R-M Rietz, P. Limtong and E. Schnug (744 pp.) is now available from Pitayakon Limtong pitaya@ltd.go.th, pitaya@asiaaccess.net.th of the Land Development Department in Bangkok, Thailand at 1,500 Thai Baht (~USD43) per copy.



September 2010

[12th International Conference of Agronomy](#) Location: North Sinai, Egypt

September 5-9, 2010

7th Solanaceae Conference in Dundee, Scotland

The Scottish Crop Research Institute and the UK-SOL - the research consortium for the Solanaceous crops in the UK will host the SOL 2010 from 5-9 September 2010 in Dundee, Scotland. The conference programme will include sessions on: SOL Biodiversity and Evolution, Plant Growth and Development, Biotic Stress, Abiotic Stress, Informatics and Computational Biology, Tools and Emerging Technologies, The SOL Genomes, Translational Genomics and Molecular Breeding, Metabolomics and Proteomics and Crop Specific Workshops. Delegates wishing to give an oral or poster presentation at the conference can submit an abstract online till 30 June. Details of the Conference and registration information can be viewed at <http://www.sol2010.org/>

September 6-8, 2010

AgEng2010 – International Conference on Agricultural Engineering "Towards Environmental Technologies", Venue: Clermont-Ferrand, France, Organiser: Cemagref, SitmaAFGR, AFEID, www.ageng2010.org, info@ageng2010.fr Deadline for Submission of abstracts on-line via AgEng2010 CF website: December 15, 2009 (short time extension is possible, please write to info@ageng2010.fr)

International Conference on Agricultural Engineering **AgEng 2010 CF** **Towards Environmental Technologies**



September 6-8, 2010

The Third IASTED African Conference on Water Resource Management (AfricaWRM 2010), SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, September 6-8, 2010, Gaborone, Botswana. Contact calgary@iasted.org.

September 6-9, 2010

The **Free and Open Source Software for Geospatial (FOSS4G) conference** is pleased to announce a Call for Workshops and Tutorials for the 2010 conference, being held September 6-9, 2010, in Barcelona, Spain. Please visit our site to subscribe and find more information about this conference: <http://2010.foss4g.org> Or contact Conference Chair for details about this announcement: Lorenzo Becchi E-mail: lbecchi@osgeo.org

September 8-29, 2010

Tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the **Convention on Biological Diversity - CBD COP 10**
<http://www.cbd.int/meetings>:

September 9-11, 2010

Croatia Branch Plans Conference on Soil Tillage

The Organizing Committee of the Croatia Soil Tillage Research Organization – CROSTRO and International Soil Tillage Research Organization – ISTRO, invites all ISTRO members and other interested persons to an international scientific conference entitled “Soil Tillage, An Open Approach” in Osijek, Republic of Croatia, from the 9-11 of September 2010. <http://suncokret.pfos.hr/~hdpot/simpozij.htm>, Bojan.Stipesevic@pfos.hr

Over 40 delegates have already registered. The conference themes will be:

1. Soil tillage in function of environmental protection
2. Conservation tillage – direct seeding – no-tillage
3. Soil biotic and abiotic degradations – causes and consequences
4. Soil tillage – new approach – technologies – perspectives

The scientific and professional presentations will promote correct application of agrotechnical measures, the newest state-of-the-art information and techniques, and alternative approaches in agricultural production – all in the scope of soil tillage. English will be the official language for the conference. For more information including regards travel and accommodation, see the website contact Dr. Bojan Stipešević – Branch President at: Bojan.Stipesevic@pfos.hr

September 12-15, 2010

ABIC 2010 *Bridging biology and business* is the theme of the Ag-Biotech Conference in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada scheduled September 12-15, 2010. Conference organizer is Ag-West Bio, Inc. Details of the conference which targets biotech industry players, biotech managers, government officials, scientists, and academics, are at <http://www.abic.ca/abic2010>

September 13-15, 2010

GeoENV 2010 - the 8th International Conference on Geostatistics for Environmental Applications Ghent, Belgium. www.geoenv.ugent.be, geoenv10@ugent.be (From IUSS Alert 51)

LandCon 1009 Meeting

September 13-14, 2010

FAME 2010, an annual event organized by **Green World Conferences**

Contact: Derek Michalski at dm@greenworldconferences.com, www.greenworldconferences.com

NOTE: WASWAC members are eligible to have 50% discount of the registration fee.

*This meeting is endorsed by WASWAC and will strictly follow the Guidelines for Successful Meetings <http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/consti-decentra.html>

September 14, 2010

(Full Day Highly Interactive Workshop as a part of the Biofuels Hall Of Fame 2010 Summit And Exhibition)

Integrated Energy Systems for Biodiesel Production Utilizing Algae and Jatropha, by Mr Russell Teall, President and Founder, Biodiesel Industries, USA. Contact: Derek Michalski, President, **Green World Conferences** dm@greenworldconferences.com

September 15-17, 2010

New Zealand Soil Carbon Conference



The second New Zealand Soil Carbon Conference is being held in Wellington, NZ from the 15-17th of September. We are pleased to offer participants a rich content of insightful keynote addresses, panels as well as intellectual and practical discussions. The wide variety of speakers will draw together the science and practical methods behind biological/carbon farming, and the benefits of building humus and soil carbon. This conference will address the challenges facing many of us at this present time along with

some ideas for change through innovation. The New Zealand Soil Carbon Conference brings together an unprecedented range and calibre of participants, offering a unique opportunity for attendees to socialize, network and exchange ideas with peers from across the cutting edge of agricultural and scientific communities. For more information please go to www.soilcarbonconference.co.nz or email Nicole@integritysoils.co.nz (From IUSS Alert 60)

September 18-20, 2010

I am sending you for circulation to all the readers of the CA-CoP-listserv an announcement on the **International Conference on Traditional Practices in Conservation Agriculture** to be held from 18-20 September 2010 in Bengal Chapters in collaboration with Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology and the Rajasthan College of Agriculture, Udaipur. It is co-sponsored by Center for Indian Knowledge System, Chennai, Tamilnadu, India.

I am confident that the scientists/agencies involved in research and development in conservation agriculture would find it extremely useful. The persons interested in attending it should fill the attached form and send it to the Organizing secretary, Dr. S. L. Choudhary (slcchoudhary@yahoo.com or slc_aahrc@rediffmail.com). Surendra Beniwal, Ph.D., Hon. Prof., Trustee, Asian Agri-History Foundation, Tel (Cell-India):+91 98102 74491. An 8-p digital brochure (right) is available upon request.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON
TRADITIONAL PRACTICES IN CONSERVATION AGRICULTURE
September 18-20, 2010

Organized by
Asian Agri-History Foundation (AAHF), Secunderabad
AAHF Rajasthan Chapter, Udaipur, AAHF Uttarakhand Chapter, Pantnagar, and
AAHF West Bengal Chapter, Darjeeling

In collaboration with
COMPAS, ETC, Netherlands
Centre for Indian Knowledge Systems, Chennai
Department of Jansikshya and Extension Education,
Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth University, Udaipur

Sponsored by
Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi

Co-sponsored by
P I Industries, Udaipur
Maharashtra Hybrid Seeds Co Ltd, Mumbai
Indian Farm Forestry Development cooperative Ltd, New Delhi
Pandit Badri Prasad Maharisbi Charitable Trust, Jaipur
Indian Bio-organic Tea association, Kolkata

At
Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth University, Pratap Nagar,
Udaipur-313001, Rajasthan, India

September 20-24, 2010

Henry A. Wallace/CATIE Inter-American Scientific Conference Series, 6th Conference, Turrialba, Costa Rica September 20-24, 2010, Agrobiodiversity in Mesoamerica from genes to landscapes

The aim of this conference is to strengthen the use and management of agrobiodiversity in Mesoamerica by bringing together international research and public sector organizations, universities and civil society to study, analyze and take action to promote sustainable land management, in recognition of the International Year of Biodiversity in 2010, as declared by the United Nations. The conference will link science, practical action and policy to address the challenge of loss of agricultural biodiversity in Mesoamerica.

For more information, contact Fabrice DeClerck, CATIE, fdeclerck@catie.ac.cr, + (506) 2558-2596. (From PES Newsletter for February 2010)

September 21-22, 2010



**ForeStClim Mid-term Conference,
Nancy (France), 21/22 September 2010**

European Forestry - Fit for Climate Change?

On behalf of the *ForeStClim* Project Steering Committee it is my privilege and pleasure to invite all those who are interested in participating in the *ForeStClim* Mid-term Conference to be held at Nancy, France, in a town with a long-lasting forest tradition.

High population densities, strong economic activities and climate change, place natural environments in North West Europe under increasing pressure. The sustainable management of these natural resources is of vital importance of the advancement of the entire North West European area.

Forests cover about 17,4 million hectares of North West Europe and, as long-lived ecosystems, will be especially vulnerable to the effects of climate change. Adaptation strategies are necessary to preserve the present diversity of forests and to use them sustainably in a changed climate.

It is the aim of the *ForeStClim* Mid-term Conference to gather forest scientists, decision-makers, NGO's and all stakeholders from Europe and even around the world. The *ForeStClim* Mid-term Conference will be a great opportunity to get together and exchange views on how to develop adaptation strategies to give forests a sound and sustainable future. I am looking forward to meeting you in Nancy!

Prof. Dr. Gebhard Schüler

(ForeStClim project manager) <http://www.forestclim.eu>, midterm@forestclim.eu

September 21-22, 2010

IECA Mid-Atlantic Chapter 17th Annual Conference, Workshop & Trade Exposition - "NTUs and You":

September 21-22, 2010 in Front Royal, VA. Hosted by the Mid-Atlantic Chapter.

September 22-24, 2010

XI International Rice Conference for Latin American and the Caribbean

Rice centers Latin American Fund for Irrigated Rice (FLAR), the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT), the Rice Growers Federation of Colombia (FEDEARROZ) and the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) have co-organized the XI International Rice Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean on 22 to 24 September 2010 at the Intercontinental Hotel, Cali, Colombia. The theme "Rice Challenges in the XX1 Century" aims to showcase the progress made in the region, highlighting the strategic position it has made in the future supply of rice, not only at continental level but also with the ever-increasing global demand. The focus will be on a) Innovation and development for rice; b) Breeding and Biotechnology - expectations and realities; and c) Production, markets and trends.

For details see the invitation at: http://www.conferenciaarroz2010.com/inicio_eng.html

September 23-24, 2010

Climate Governance - The way forward in a post-Copenhagen world

London, UK [More Information](#)

September 23-24, 2010

STEPS Conference 2010: Pathways to Sustainability: Addressing environmental sustainability has become a central practical, moral and political challenge of our times. The conference, "Pathways to Sustainability: Agendas for a new politics of environment, development and social justice", which will take place on **23rd-24th September 2010 at the Institute of Development Studies, Sussex University, Brighton (UK)**, will explore how to conceptualise and build 'pathways' that link environmental integrity and social justice, while alleviating poverty and inequity. The five themes of the conference are: contesting sustainabilities; framing narratives; dynamics and sustainability; uncertainty, ambiguity and surprise; pathway-building and governance.

September 27-28, 2010

12th Annual BIOECON Conference: Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, in association with Conservation International and the United Nations Environment Programme, announces the Twelfth International BIOECON Conference "From the Wealth of Nations to the Wealth of Nature: Rethinking Economic Growth". The Conference will be held at the **Centro Culturale Don Orione Artigianelli, Venice, Italy, on September 27th-28th, 2010**. The central theme will focus on the identification of the most effective and efficient instruments for biodiversity conservation, such as auctions of biodiversity conservation contracts, payment-for-services contracts, taxes, tradable permits, voluntary mechanisms and straightforward command and control measures. Special attention will be given to the role of public bodies/NGOs in the creation of innovative mechanisms for the delivery of ecosystem benefits and in promoting the participation of a wider range of economic agents in biodiversity conservation.

The conference organizers invite submission of papers by **May 28, 2010**. For more information on paper submission please go to: http://www.bioecon.ucl.ac.uk/04_12_ann-conf.htm

The Conference Programme Committee will provide 10 grants to researchers coming from developing countries to participate in the conference. To be considered for a Conference scholarship, applicants must submit a paper and attach a letter from their institution or supervisor that establishes financial need, and send it to Silvia Bertolin (silvia.bertolin@feem.it) by **May 28, 2010**.

September 27-29, 2010

International conference "innovation in food science and nutrition..... future challenges"

Location: Cairo, Egypt, Documents: [Image 1](#) - [Image 2](#)

September 27-October 1, 2010

6th International phosphorus workshop. Spain. <http://www.ipw6.us.es/>, ipw6@us.es (From IUSS Alert 52)

October 4-7, 2010

EUROPEAN CONGRESS CONSERVATION AGRICULTURE: Towards agro-environmental, climate and energetic sustainability

The Spanish Conservation Agriculture Association / Living Soils (AEAC/SV), jointly with the European Conservation Agriculture Federation (ECAAF) and the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC) are organizing the "European Congress on Conservation Agriculture: Towards agro-environmental, climate and energetic sustainability", to be held in Madrid 4th-7th October 2010.

This European Congress offers a quality leap forward on issues under a holistic view within the field of Conservation Agriculture. This event will comprise presentations communications and experiences delivering the latest results achieved, not only in the traditional Conservation Agriculture areas of research, but also in those that have been opened in response to current problems facing the environment, including climate change, energy saving and economic profitability, and the search for models of sustainability in European agro-ecosystems.

Development agencies and donors, policy makers and administrators, environmentalists, farmers, agricultural scientists and advisors, and the agricultural industry are welcome to attend this event. The Congress has attracted among its keynote speakers and delegates, authorities and leading scientists on conservation agriculture, soil management, agronomy, crop protection and global environmental issues.

Additional details about this European Congress can be found in our Web site:

www.eurocongressca.eu, Contact info@eurocongressca.eu for more information.

Note: A well-described 20-page brochure is available from info@eurocongressca.eu upon request.

Looking forward to meeting you in Madrid.

The Organising Committee Tel:+34 957 422 099; Fax:+34 957 422 168

October 6-8, 2010

ECHO Agricultural Conference for Northeast India

The *ECHO Agricultural Conference for Northeast India*, the first of its kind in the region, will be hosted by [NEICORD](#) (North East India Committee on Relief and Development) in collaboration with the ECHO Asia Regional Office. The conference, organized for those engaged in agriculture development in Northeast India, will focus on sharing among participants, particularly with regard to improvement of hill cultivation, eco-forestry, SRI and preserving the environment. The conference will include plenary sessions on important issues provided by excellent resource persons. Participants will be able to network and exchange skills and knowledge. Venue: Barapani, Shillong - Meghalaya
For more information contact: Joshi Tuisum
Phone - +919436102076, +919436102076 Email - jtuisum2003@yahoo.com, charity@neicord.org

October 6-10, 2010

[Eurasia Conference on Chemical Sciences](#) Location: The Dea Sea, Jordon, **Document:** [Image](#)

October 8-29, 2010

Tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity - CBD COP 10:

The tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP 10) will be held in Nagoya, Japan on 8th-29th of October 2010. This meeting is expected to assess achievement of the 2010 target to reduce significantly the rate of biodiversity loss, adopt an international regime on access and benefit-sharing and celebrate the International Year of Biodiversity 2010. <http://www.cbd.int/meetings>
<http://www.cop10.jp/aichi-nagoya/english/cop/cop.html>

October 9-13, 2010

[THE 7TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON MANAGED AQUIFER RECHARGE ABU DHABI](#), Abu Dhabi United Arab Emirates

October 11, 2010

[Hydrology Conference 2010 - The Changing Physical and Social Environment: Hydrologic Impacts and Feedbacks](#) San Diego, USA

October 11-14, 2010

Subject: International Seminar on Degraded Forest and Land Rehabilitation in Indonesia.

We have the pleasure to inform you that Directorate General of Land Rehabilitation and Social Forestry, Ministry of Forestry is going to hold a **Seminar on Degraded Forest and Land Rehabilitation in Indonesia** on October 11-14, 2010 in Jakarta. The Seminar is intended to share experiences in conducting successful forest rehabilitation in Indonesia.

NOTE: The organizers have invited various international organizations to attend the seminar, with condition that they are responsible for all costs except the international travel. WASWAC Members are urged to write to **Ir. Bambang Soepijanto, Secretary of Directorate General of the forest rehabilitation agency** and send the following e-mail addresses: st_yudi@dephut.go.id, agung_i@dephut.go.id, yudhosm@hotmail.com. You may ask if they can sponsor your participation, while you only have to pay the plane fare. The seminar seems to be a good one, as it shows what have been successfully done during 2003-2008. We wish you luck. – Ed.

LANDCON 1010 Meeting*

October 11-15, 2010

International Conference on Combating Land Degradation in Agricultural Areas and the First Annual Councilor Meeting of WASWAC (LANDCON1010)
(The 3rd Announcement)

I INVITATION

You are cordially invited to participate in the International Conference on Combating Land Degradation in Agricultural Areas and the First Annual Councilor Meeting of WASWAC (LANDCON1010) to be held in Xi'an, Shaanxi Province, China from October 11th to 15th, 2010.

Land is foundation of human survives and development, but the Land degradation is intensifying in many parts of the world because of the unreasonable land use and global climate change. According to the FAO's estimation in 2008, there 1.5 billion people, or a quarter of the world's population, depend

directly on land that is being degraded. Land degradation could induce the deterioration of the ecological function and productivity of land directly through soil erosion, desertification, salinization, loss of biodiversity and so on. Furthermore, the land degradation has already threatened and is threatening the socio-economic and culture development at regional and global scales.

Fortunately, the increasing attention has been paid in combating land degradation all over world, such as the Soil and Water Conservation Engineering in the Upper and Middle Reaches of Yellow River since 1980 and “Grain for Green Project” of China, ACIAR-AusAID Landcare Project in Australia, the GEF UNEP/FAO program on Land Degradation Assessment in Dryland Areas (LADA) and EU FP6 Integrated Project on Desertification Mitigation and Remediation of Land (DESIRE).

We sincerely hope that you will join us in making LANDCON1010 a success. We look forward to welcoming you to LANDCON 2010 and Xi’an, China.

II THEMES

- Situation and evolution of land degradation
- Mechanism and driving factors of land degradation
- Control measures of land degradation
- Evaluation of land degradation and land management on environment
- Land degradation and regional social-economic sustainable development
- Effect of global change on land degradation
- And other relative topics.

III ORGANIZATION

1 Initiative organizations

World Association of Soil and Water Conservation (WASWAC)
Soil and Water Conservation Society of China (CSWCS)

2 Sponsors

Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS)
Ministry of Water Resources, China (MWR)
Shaanxi Provincial People’s Government

3 Host

Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, CAS & MWR

IV VENUE AND DATE

Date: October 11-15, 2010

Venue: Paradise Resort Xi’an (Qujiang Xian Hui Yuan Bin guesthouse)

http://www.87663333.com/php/en_index.php Xi’an, Shaanxi Province, P. R. China

V PUBLICATION

1 The proceeding of Landcon1010 will be published by Springer. All full paper would be indexed by JSTP and EI.

2 Important date of paper (*New update*)

Deadline for Abstract Submission: June 10, 2010

Abstract Acceptance Notification: June 20, 2010

Deadline for Full Paper Submission: July 31, 2010

IMPORTANT: WASWAC members are still welcome to send their abstracts.

VI SECRETARIAT

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October 12-13, 2010

Conference on Agribiotech and Seed Market in Jakarta, Indonesia

Agribiotech & Seed Market 2010 is set for October 12-13, 2010 in Jakarta, Indonesia. The conference theme will be "Increasing farm productivity through technology". Topics for discussion include seed market development and consolidation, agricultural development, outlook for key crops, and research and development advancements in breeding and yield improvement.

Details of the conference are at <http://www.cmtevents.com?ev=101041&st=54&pg=sc>

October 13-15, 2010

IECA Fifth Ibero-American Congress on Erosion and Sediment Control: October 13-15, 2010 in Panama, Panama. Hosted by the IberoAmerican Chapter.



October 27-29, 2010

**SOCIEDAD COLOMBIANA DE LA CIENCIA DEL SUELO
XV CONGRESO COLOMBIANO DE LA CIENCIA DEL SUELO**

Hotel de Pereira, Pereira-Risaralda Octubre 27-28 y 29 de 2010

“EL SUELO:

**SOPORTE DE LA BIODIVERSIDAD Y PRODUCCIÓN EN
AGROECOSISTEMAS TROPICALES”**



COMISIONES CIENTÍFICAS:

- Fertilidad de suelos y nutrición vegetal
- Química de Suelos
- Física de suelos
- Biología del suelo
- Usos de la tierra
- Educación en ciencia del suelo

SIMPOSIOS:

- Captura de carbono y cambio climático.
- Calidad de suelos.
- Innovación educativa y futuro de la ciencia del suelo.
- Fertilidad de suelos, producción agrícola dinámica del Fósforo y Nitrógeno.
- Física, hidrología, degradación, manejo y conservación de suelos y aguas.
- Biología del suelo y Materia Orgánica.
- Programa CALS, metodologías de análisis de suelos y plantas.
- Sistemas de información geográfica, teledetección y sus aplicaciones en la ciencia del suelo.
- Suelos ácidos, salinos, sódicos, calcáreos y yesíticos.
- Suelo, ambiente y sociedad.

NORMAS PARA PRESENTACION DE TRABAJOS

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RESUMENES PARA TRABAJOS ORALES

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AUTORES: Times New Roman, tamaño 11 en negrita y centrado

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AUTORES: Times New Roman, tamaño 11 en negrita y Cursiva

ENTIDAD: Times New Roman, 11, cursivas.

CORREO ELECTRONICO: Times New Roman 11 cursiva.

RESUMEN EN ESPAÑOL Y ABSTRACT.

INTRODUCCION: En forma breve indicar la motivación, la importancia y los objetivos de su trabajo.

MATERIALES Y METODOS: Explique su metodología resaltando solo lo más importante, utilice la literatura citada en el mismo resumen o haga alusión a métodos convencionales sin describirlos. Es importante indicar cómo evaluó y analizó sus datos experimentales.

RESULTADOS Y DISCUSIÓN: En esta sección describa sus observaciones más sobresalientes y discuta cada resultado relevante con relaciones a las hipótesis planteadas, los objetivos y los antecedentes de su revisión de la literatura. Cada cuadro o figura debe ser introducido, analizado, discutido e insertado como texto dentro del documento.

CONCLUSIONES. 3-4 conclusiones del trabajo que sean coherentes con los objetivos del mismo.

REFERENCIAS BIBLIOGRAFICAS: La Literatura citada deberá estar indicada en el texto.

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Las citas deberán simplificarse al máximo según este ejemplo y no usar doble espacio después de los puntos, ni sangría.

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October 31-November 4, 2010

ASA-CSSA-SSSA International Annual Meeting is in Long Beach California, U.S.A. 31 October – 4 November 2010.

November 4-5, 2010



[Annual conference of the Arab Forum for Environment and Development \(AFED\)](#)
[Water: Sustainable Management of a Scarce Resource](#) Date: 4-5 November 2010. Beirut, Lebanon

November 5-7, 2010

Conference on Asian Borderlands – Enclosure, Interaction, and Transformation, Chiang Mai, Thailand: 5-7 November 2010. This conference draws from James C. Scott's book, *The Art of Not Being Governed: An Anarchist History of Upland Southeast Asia*, which explores the mountainous regions of the Himalayas and its lower ranges where many groups of people live across multiple national borders. It intends to encourage scholarship that looks across Asian borders, and invites papers that develop new perspectives on this study. For more information, <http://asiapacific.anu.edu.au/newmandala/2009/10/05/asian-borderlands-enclosure-interaction-and-transformation/>

November 8, 2010

[Drylands, Deserts and Desertification: The Route to Restoration](#) Sede Boqer, Israel

November 8, 2010

[STORMWATER 2010 - Stormwater Industry Association National Conference](#) Sydney, Australia

November 8-12, 2010



The **16th Congress of the International Soil Conservation Organization (ISCO 16), THE LAND WE WANT FOR THE FUTURE MUST BE BUILT TODAY**, scheduled for November 2010 in Santiago, Chile, has now established an active website with most of the information needed by potential contributors and participants. Please visit <http://www.iscochile2010.cl/> for pertinent details, and inform your associates, colleagues and ISCO friends accordingly. Expedient publicity in your organization's bulletins and newsletters will be particularly appreciated. Contact: Claudio Perez Castillo (cperez@inia.cl) and German Ruiz Cardenas (german.ruiz@sag.gob.cl) and ezagal@udec.cl

CONGRESS FEES (from the website):

Registration fee will cover the welcome reception, participation in the scientific sessions, book of abstracts, coffee, tea and snacks, social dinner, and field excursion (including lunch) at the end of the conference.

Members of SISS, IUSS and ESSC: **€250, USD325, CLP175.000**

Students (evidence in support) : **€50, USD65, CLP35.000**

Non-members : **€300, USD390, CLP210.000**

Payments received later than 30 September 2010 will be increased by €50

The 2nd Announcement will provide details on methods of payment.

July 26, 2010. Registration & Payment. [Click this link](#)

July 20, 2010. Second Announcement ([Download PDF](#))

June 10, 2010. Abstracts evaluated list ([View list](#))

PROGRAM:

SUNDAY 07 NOVEMBER 2010

Arrival of participants, registration and welcome reception

MONDAY 08 NOVEMBER

Opening ceremony, Keynote paper presentations, Oral and poster session

TUESDAY 09 NOVEMBER

Oral and poster presentations

WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER

Field excursion (details will be provided latter)

THURSDAYS 11 NOVEMBER

Oral and poster presentations,

Social dinner

FRIDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

Oral and poster presentations,

Conclusions of the workshop

SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

Departure




November 9, 2010

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November 11, 2010

[3rd International Conference on Infrastructure Systems and Services 2010 - Next Generation Infrastructure Systems for Eco-Cities](#) Shenzhen, China

November 11-13, 2010




First Announcement

National Conference
on
Watershed Management on Sloping Lands for Environment and Livelihood Security

11-13 November, 2010
Meghalaya

Organized By



Soil Conservation Society of India, New Delhi
and
Meghalaya State Chapter of SCSI, Shillong

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KEY DATES

Issuance of First Circular	April 15, 2010
Last date of submission of abstracts	July 31, 2010
Intimation of acceptance of abstracts	August 16, 2010
Submission of full-length papers	September 15, 2010
Registration (without late fee)	October 15, 2010

REGISTRATION FEES

Delegate (SCSI Member)	Rs. 1500/-
Delegate (SCSI Non-member)	Rs. 2000/-
Late Registration Fee	Rs. 2500/-
Student (SCSI Member)	Rs. 500/-
Student (SCSI Non-member)	Rs. 750/-
Accompanying person	Rs. 1000/-

Contact **Suraj Bhan, SCSI President, for more information** bhan_suraj2001@yahoo.com; soilcsi@yahoo.co.in

November 11-13, 2010

Forestry Faculty of Belgrade University has the pleasure to invite you to participate in the International Scientific Conference “**First Serbian Forestry Congress**”, under slogan Future with Forests, to be held on 11-13 November 2010 in Belgrade, Serbia.

Please, hereby find attached the Second Announcement and accommodation information.
Additional information on the Conference could be found at: www.sfb.rs
We shall look forward to meet you in Belgrade in November 2010.

Prof. Dr. Milan Medarević, Dean of the Faculty of Forestry, Chairman of the Organizing Committee

Prof. Dr. Ratko Ristić, Vice Chairman of the Organizing Committee

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November 15-17, 2010

International Conference

on

COOLING THE EARTH

**TACTICS FOR RESTORING CLIMATE ORDER AND SAVING THE
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LandCon 1011 Meeting

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Background

Global warming and climate change are the worst realities of our times. Never before in the recorded history of life has the living planet faced such an alarming situation. Local, national and international organizations have generated, collected, exchanged and disseminated enough information on the on-going trends, patterns, factors and implications of the global warming and consequent climate change. Volumes of information on the subject have come into being. Earth's warming climate is estimated to contribute to more than 150,000 deaths and five million illnesses every year and, according to WHO, this toll could double by 2030. The climate change is driving up rates of malaria, diarrhea, outbreak of dengue fever in South Asia, and fast adding to human woes, such as glacier melt, gloom on Antarctica, rise in sea level, loss of species, and the likes. The catastrophic changes need not to confine only to the altered socio-economic scenarios. The implications might be much more formidable than the humanity could predict or even thought of. If the warming up trend goes on rampantly, the ecological processes that keep life in the state of equilibrium and sustainability might be knocked down giving rise to a situation that would spell a doom on the planet. The rampantly going-on processes of liberalization, privatization and globalization (LPG) are increasingly giving way to economic development without a thought at the cost of the living planet.

Time is now ripe for us to evolve all possible strategies which could be of critical value for resolving vital issues of our times. The state of the planet is largely owing to anthropogenic dimensions. Therefore, restoration of the Earth's climate order and cooling of Earth is possible. Humanity is capable not only of arresting and reversing the global warming process, but also of putting the living planet back into the state of vibrancy, *joie de vivre* and sustainability. This, amongst other things, demands efficient environmental management with focus on carbon emission reduction and abatement, enhanced carbon sequestration, increased use of clean and non-polluting sources of energy, ecological philosophies nurtured by philosophers that could be vital for evolving eco-centric strategies of development, and formulation and implementation of policies and programmes that could lead to cooling of the Earth.

Issues relating to global warming and climate change are relatively new. Emphasis on the work towards handling these issues vigorously dates back to mid 1990s. The very notion of climate change increasingly becoming a buzzword of our times and the contribution to awareness about the issues has even won Nobel Prize for ex-US Vice-President Al Gore and IPCC. Intensive efforts towards evolving effective strategies implementable at global scale that could dynamically lead to cooling of the Earth, however, are still to be made. Further, in global warming mitigation efforts focus has rather been on piecemeal approach, not on comprehensive strategies of cooling the Earth that could provoke action at global level. The proposed international conference would give this opportunity.

The recent Environment Report based on a pilot study, called the 2006 Environmental Performance Index, indicates about the dismal state of environment in the context of India. This has to be taken seriously and remedial measures to maintain our environment safe and sound need to be taken up and implemented effectively.

When it comes to address the issues of global warming and consequent climate change, it could be realized that most of the seminars and conferences have focused on carbon sequestration, also known as carbon farming. The GB Pant University of Agriculture and Technology conducted a National Conference on Ecosystem Diversity and Carbon Sequestration in 2007. Carbon sequestration, eventually is linked with ecosystems diversity. If the carbon sequestration issues are to be effectively addressed, they need be done so against the background of the ecosystem diversity. Carbon sequestration through physical/ artificial means, clean development mechanisms, carbon-trading, etc. is the major focus so far often discussed on various forums throughout the world. No-till farming being taken massively by the International Society of Soil and Water Conservation is the other area of intensive discussion. World Bank in Washington, DC has mobilized the Bio Carbon Fund to alleviate poverty and promote biodiversity conservation by aiding farmers in developing countries to practice no-till. There are many other such agencies which are coming forward to pay for carbon sequestration efforts of farmers.

Cooling the Earth is undoubtedly has to be the greatest concern and challenge before the humanity– as well as the most critical human obligation to be accomplished. We need to evolve holistic strategies to solve the problems that have implications for the very survival and sustainability of our planet, as well as of our own species on the planet. The proposed International Conference would be an attempt towards that direction.

Objectives

- To bring scientists, academicians, researchers, thinkers, philosophers, environmentalists, managers, social workers, industrialists, administrators, institutions, government representatives, and NGOs committed to the cause of the Earth from all over the world on a single platform to analyse and discuss the alarming problems and trends facing humanity and costing the living planet
- To evolve viable, effective and workable strategies, including promotion of eco-philosophy and lifestyles without carbon footprints, that could contain and reverse the processes of global warming and help restoring climate orders of the Earth
- To send an appeal to all peoples of the world for creating synergies and social atmosphere conducive to resolving critical socio-economic, development and environment related issues of our times and work out a plan for global cooperation for promoting long-term strategies aimed at preparedness against global warming and climate change.
- To promote life enhancing ecological philosophy, alternate and frugal lifestyles and prepare a ground for ecological renaissance for healing and reviving our tormented planet.

Themes/ Topics

1. Our Common Biosphere: State of the global environment
2. Climate change impacts on different environmental components (lands and soils, waters, atmosphere, biosphere)
3. Himalayan mountains and their contribution to cooling of the Earth
4. Biodiversity and climate change mitigation
5. Climate change impacts on various food production and livelihood systems (cropping, forestry, rangelands, pastoralism, animal husbandry, fisheries, etc.) and on food, nutrition and livelihood security, and on human health
6. Concerns, challenges and conflicts being borne out of the current state of free carbon in environment manifesting into global warming, climate change and socio-economic unsustainability
7. Social, cultural, and political dimensions of the problems
8. Environmental management, energy resources, clean development mechanisms, adaptation strategies, case studies and success stories
9. International legislations and agreements

10. Eco-philosophy, alternate lifestyles, ecological renaissance; ushering in a sustainable future; searching new horizons of sustainability

Participants

University/ college teachers, researchers, environmental managers, agriculturists, research students, representatives from R&D organizations, ministries, government departments/ organisations, expert NGOs/ International NGOs, representatives from industries, administrators, policy makers, sociologists, economists, committed environmental activists and eco-philosophers.

Submission of Abstract

Participants are requested to send an Abstract on any of the themes of the Conference through e-mail attachment to: coolingtheearth2010@rediffmail.com, coolingtheearth@gmail.com

Format of Abstract

Title (14 PT BOLD, CENTRED) – double space after title

Presenting author, other authors (12 Point, Normal)

Department/ institute/ company address (10 Point, Normal)

e-mail (9 Point, Normal) – double space after this line

Abstract not exceeding single page should be typed in 12 Point, Times New Roman, Normal font, single space

Use A4 size paper with margins: Top, bottom and right 1 inch and left margin 1.5 inch

Last for Abstract submission: 15 May 2010

Last date for Abstract acceptance: 30 May 2010

Last date for submission of full paper: 30 June 2010

Registration Fees

	Indian (Rs.)	Foreign (US\$)
Delegate	2,000.00	200
Student delegate	1,000.00	100
Accompanying person	1,000.00	100
Delegates from industry	3,000.00	300
Post-conference tour (optional)	200.00	5

Registration fee will include registration kit, accommodation, all meals and refreshments, cultural events, compendium and other literature, etc.

Day-long post-conference tour is an opportunity for the participants to have a glimpse of the panorama of majestic Himalayas, picturesque lakes and life of mountain people.

Payment can be made through draft in favour of COOLING THE EARTH payable at Punjab National Bank, Pantnagar (Uttarakhand, India) Branch or through direct bank transfer. Please write to the Coordinator for details. On-the-spot payment in cash or through draft/ local cheque can also be requested.

The Venue

The GB Pant University of Agriculture and Technology based in Pantnagar in the foothills of the Himalayas in the Uttarakhand State of India is the first and the largest agricultural university in India based on the Land Grant Pattern of USA. Established in 1960, the University is ushering in its Golden Jubilee Year from November 18, 2009. The University is recognised as the Harbinger of Green Revolution in India. It carries out four major programmes: education, research, extension and seed production. The College of Basic Sciences and Humanities (CBSH), one of the ten faculties of the University, came into being along with the establishment of the University. CBSH runs degree programmes for Undergraduate, masters and Ph.D. students and conducts research on vital issues relating to environmental science, chemistry, agri-chemicals, plant physiology, biochemistry, physics, bio-physics, biological sciences, molecular biology and genetics, maths and statistics, sociology and languages, etc. The Department of Environmental Science came into existence in 1984 as the eleventh department of CBSH. The Department runs M.Sc. and Ph.D. Degree programmes and conducts research on environmental management, eco-toxicology, eco-restoration, forest/ rangeland ecology, carbon sequestration, climate change, etc.

Patron: **Dr. B.S. Bisht**, Vice-Chancellor, GB Pant University of Agriculture & Technology
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COOLING THE EARTH

Tactics for Restoring Climate Order and Saving the Living Planet

November 15-17, 2010

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Gender: Male Female

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Citizenship:

Mailing Address:

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Date of issues/expiry of passport:

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Fax:

e-mail:

Category: delegate student industry

With spouse/ accompanying person without spouse/ accompanying person

Registration fees: INR _____ / USD _____ paid through:

Draft Bank transfer ; Fee will be paid in cash at the time of registration

(Draft should be in favour of COOLING THE EARTH payable at Punjab National Bank, Pantnagar. Details for direct bank transfer can be obtained from the Coordinator. On-the-spot payment can also be requested)

Paper presentation Yes No

Paper title:

The Registration form should be mailed to:

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November 25-27, 2010

Conference on Land Reform and Management of Natural Resources in Africa and Latin America, Cataluña, Spain <http://www.congresreformasagrarias.org/>, ccdr@ccdr.udl.cat, www.ccdr.udl.cat.

November 29-December 3, 2010

The poster features a world map in the center. At the top, it displays the website www.geotunis.org and the ATIGN logo. The text is in both Arabic and English. The Arabic text reads: 'اتحاد الجمعيات التونسية للإعلام الجغرافي الرقمي' and 'الجمعية التونسية للإعلام الجغرافي الرقمي'. The English text reads: 'Tunisian Association of Digital Geographical Information'. It also mentions 'الدورة الخامسة جغوتونيس' and '5th Edition of Geotunis'. A vertical banner on the right side says '2010 Geotunis - November 29'. At the bottom, it provides contact information: '25 avenue Habib Bourguiba 1001 tunis _ tunisie', 'Tel: 00216 71 255 881 / 71 256 068 - fax: 00216 71 255 881', and 'Site Web: www.geotunis.org - E_mail: atigeo_num@yahoo.fr'. The bottom text in Arabic says 'استخدام نظم المعلومات الجغرافية و الاستشعار عن بعد لتحقيق التنمية المستدامة' and in English 'The use of GIS and remote sensing for sustainable development'. A vertical banner on the left side says '29 November-03 December 2010 in Tunisia'.

November 30-December 2, 2010

Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR) is proposing to organize an international conference from November 30–December 2, 2010 to address local, regional and international themes on climate change; and exchange information on climate change mitigation and sustainable development strategies adopted by various countries.

Attached is the First Announcement of the conference. If you would like to present a paper, kindly send the Abstract as per the guidelines in the Announcement to the Scientific Committee for approval.

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International Conference on Impact of Climate change on
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The poster features a sunset scene with silhouettes of birds flying across the sky. At the top, it displays the logo of the Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR) and the text: 'Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research', 'Food Resources and Marine Sciences Division', and 'Aridland, Agriculture and Greenery Department'. The main title of the conference is 'International Conference on Impact of Climate Change on Agriculture and Biodiversity in the Arab Region'. At the bottom, it states the dates: 'November 30 - December 2, 2010'.

December 11-13, 2010

*This meeting is endorsed by WASWAC and will strictly follow the Guidelines for Successful Meetings
<http://waswac.soil.gd.cn/consti-decentra.html>

LandCon 1012a Meeting

International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission Seminar on Land Use, Biodiversity and Climate Change

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December 11-13, 2010

Circular No. 1

Organised by

Department of Geography, Cotton College,

Guwahati-781001, Assam, India

Website: www.iquguwahati2010.org

About the College:

Cotton College, established in 1901, has been rendering its service to the entire North East India for last 108 years and producing numerous luminaries, placed across the world today. This Post Graduate College has P.G. teaching in as many as 21 subjects in 22 departments. The college, which began only with 39 students and 5 teachers, has now more than 5000 students and 235 teachers.

The NAAC has accredited the college as Grade 'A'.

It has also been recognized as the college with Potential for Excellence (CPE) by the UGC.

About the Geography Department:

On 19th August 1959, the Department of Geography was started with Commercial Geography as one of the subjects of Pre University Course. The Department was upgraded to a Degree Department in 1961 and to Honours level in 1962. From the session 1984-85 Post Graduate course was started under Gauhati University. The Laboratory of the Department has been recognized by the Gauhati University to carry out PhD research. The Department has received the financial assistance from DST under FIST Programme.

Location and Weather:

Cotton College is located at Panbazar, 500 metres from Guwahati Railway Station and 28 km from the Lokopriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport. As it will be cool in the month of December, participants are advised to carry warm clothing.

Important Dates:

Seminar- 11th, 12th and 13th December 2010

Abstract submission- 31st August 2010

Registration (early bird)- Before 30th September 2010

Full paper submission- 31st October 2010

Theme & Sub-themes:

Land use, Biodiversity and Climate Change

Sub-Themes-

- Population and land use
- Changing human values and impact on environment
- Developmental change and human health
- Biodiversity and the Himalayas
- Land use change and wetlands
- Man animal conflicts
- Urban development and land use change
- Changing land use and climate change
- Sustainable land use practices
- Geoinformatics in land use and climate change

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Registration Form
International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission Seminar
on
Land Use, Biodiversity and Climate Change
December 11-13, 2010

Name_____

(Block letters)

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Organisation/ Affiliation_____

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- I intend to participate in the Seminar
- I intend to present paper in the Seminar
- I intend to take part as Student participant
- I intend to join in the post Seminar Field Trip

Number of Accompanying Persons, if any_____

Registration Fee amounting Rs/\$_____ is sent by DD / Wire transfer_____ Dated _____

Title of Paper (With theme No 1/2/3/4)_____

Date_____ Signature_____

Submission of Abstract:

Papers on any of the above themes are invited for presentation. However, organizers reserve the right to reject or accept any paper and to place the paper in any Technical Session. The abstract of paper should be typed with double space in Times Roman (Font Size 12), title of the paper, name of author (s), affiliation and text not exceeding 400 words to be sent to the Convener or Organising Secretary, IGU Commission Seminar by E-mail or in CD before 31st August 2010.

Proceedings:

Proceedings of the Seminar will be published immediately after the Seminar. Authors will be informed by E-mail about the acceptance of their abstracts for presentation on or before 31st October 2010. The paper presented in the seminar only eligible for publication in the Proceedings. Format for the Full paper shall be sent to the authors with the abstract acceptance letter.

Registration Fee:

Indian and SAARC participants -Rs. 800/- only, (Early Bird, before 30th September, Rs. 600/- only). For other foreign participants \$125 only (Early Bird, before 30th September, \$110 only)

Indian and SAARC student participants- Rs 500/- (Early Bird, before 30th September-Rs. 400/-only)

Accompanying Participants- For Indian and SAARC Rs. 600/- for other Foreign participants \$110 only.

Institutions & Industries- Rs 1000/- only

The registration fee should be sent to the Treasurer, IGU Commission Seminar by DD payable at Guwahati or by wire transfer.

Accommodation:

Hotel accommodation will be provided on request and payment for at least one day in advance to be sent with registration form. Hotel tariff range from Rs. 800/- onwards in semi deluxe rooms

Limited accommodation shall be provided in College Hostel and Guest Houses on first come first chance basis at a nominal rate.

Food:

Working lunch and tea between the Academic Sessions to be provided by the organizers

Field Trips: (Subject to adequate number of intending participants)

- To Kaziranga National Park on 14th & 15st December- (One night stay) inclusive of Elephant & Jeep Safari, Hotel (without food) Rs. 2500/-

- To Shillong on 14th December Rs. 1200/- (inclusive of Food)

- Brahmaputra River Cruise on 13th / 14th evening Rs. 300/- (25% of the above mentioned tariff for all the Trips shall be paid in advance with registration)

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December 11-13, 2010

The 11th Asian Urbanization Conference

December 10th - 13th, 2011

Department of Geography

Osmania University, Hyderabad 500007, India

The 11th Asian Urbanization Conference is being hosted by the Department of Geography, Osmania University Hyderabad, India in association with The *Asian Urban Research Association (AURA)*. AURA was established in January 1986 and is housed in the University of Akron, Ohio, USA. It is a non profit and private research organization whose primary purpose is to promote the study of urbanization, urban growth and to organize Asian Urbanization Conferences. The first Asian Urbanization Conference was held at the University of Akron in 1985. The conferences are biennial (held every other/alternate year) and have resulted in many publications. The scholarly legacy of the original organizers and the successful history of these conferences have served to brand this conference as of a recognized quality for a diversity of scholars and practitioners across the globe. The following is the sequence of conferences held under the aegis of AURA:

- 1st Conference, 1985, University of Akron, Akron, USA
- 2nd Conference, 1988, Nanjing University Nanjing, China
- 3rd Conference, 1991, Delhi University, India
- 4th Conference, 1994, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan
- 5th Conference, 1997, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), London, UK
- 6th Conference, 2000, Madras University Chennai, India
- 7th Conference, 2003, University of Georgia, Athens, USA
- 8th Conference, 2005, Ryutsu Kagaku University, Kobe, Japan
- 9th Conference, 2007, Kangwon National University, Chuncheon, Korea
- 10th Conference, 2009, The University of Hongkong, Hongkong SAR, China

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December 13-15, 2010



First International Conference on “Biodiversity of the Aquatic Environment: towards a diverse and sustainable world” Date: 13-15 December, 2010
Location: Lattakia, Syria

December 13-17, 2010

International Conference, Valparaiso, Chile, December 13-17, 2010

“Optimizing water resources in a world of water shortage”*

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LandCon 1012b Meeting



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Context

It needs no introduction that water scarcity is one of the mayor problems nations are facing in the next decades, especially in (semi)arid locations. It has also been shown that climatic vulnerability is increasing in these areas, due to global change, exacerbating climate risks in already drought prone regions. Given the continuous rise in water demand due to further development of these drylands, and the occurrence of large (mega)cities in some of these regions (Lima, Santiago, Mexico City) the water resources are under enormous pressures that threaten their sustainable use in the long run. Ensuring water availability with acceptable quality therefore remains a key task for policy makers, increasing the need for sound scientific research in these areas. The problem tackled within the conference is the need for sustainable ways to secure water availability in regions where climatic uncertainty highly influences growth potential. Out of the myriad of possible solutions, those need to be documented that effectively address



the problem and contribute to the further consolidation of sustainable development in these dryland regions.

Conference Goals

The international conference on water augmentation intends to unite scientific researchers that are working worldwide to increase the water availability in drylands. Secondly, it aims at generating useful output that can stimulate new techniques to be adopted, and allow learning from successes and failures. Third, it is intended to develop a network of water augmentation experts.

Conference Topics

Development, efficiency assessment, design, implementation, impact, constraints and social, economical and cultural aspects of

- 1: Rainfall-Runoff Water Harvesting
- 2: Fog and Dew Harvesting
- 3: Aquifer Management and Recharge
- 4: Desalinization (for Dryland Applications)
- 5: Water Reuse
- 6: Water Use Efficiency



Venue

The ASADWA conference will be organized in the UNESCO World Heritage site of Valparaiso, Chile, and forms part of the larger Universal Forum of Cultures, organized in Valparaiso from October 2010 until January 2011. This allows to open up dialogs with decision makers, give presentations and interact with the general public on sustainable development of drylands under increased climate variability. Proposals for extra-conference activities are welcomed as well.



Important Dates:

The submission process has four stages:

1. **May 15**, 2010: Intention to participate:
2. **June 15**, 2010: Deadline for submission of abstracts: An extended abstract in English should be submitted to the conference secretary: asadwa@ugent.be
3. **July 15**, 2010: Notification of abstract acceptance.
4. September 15, 2010: Deadline for submission of short papers (in Spanish or English).

IMPORTANT: WASWAC members should still send their abstracts.

Participants to the conference should register as soon as possible to take advantage of reduced conference fees that include:

- Admittance to oral and poster sessions
- Conference material
- Opening Reception
- Coffee breaks
- Conference banquet

Early Registration Deadline: **October 15**, 2010

Early Registration fee: 130 EUR

Late Registration fee: 170 EUR

Students (without banquet): **85 EUR** (Scholarships available for selected countries)

Additional activities:

Field Excursion: 40 EUR; Conference banquet (accompanying persons): 35 EUR

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December 17-18, 2010

[The 3rd Global Fisheries & Aquaculture Research Conference](#) Cairo, Egypt Documents: [1](#) - [2](#)

MEETINGS 2011++

LANDCON 1101 Meeting*

January 4-5 and 6-7, 8, 2011

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Second International SWAT-SEA Workshop and Conference

(SWAT-SEA II) January 4-8, 2011 <http://ssc.hcmuaf.edu.vn>

Ho Chi Minh City (former Saigon), Vietnam

The Second International Conference on the Soil and Water Assessment Tool - Southeast Asia (SWAT-SEA) is scheduled to take place in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, January 4-8, 2011. SWAT-SEA 2011 is being organized by Nong Lam University – Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, USA. Additional information about the conference is available at <http://ssc.hcmuaf.edu.vn>. This conference is supported by USAID-SANREM, the World Association of Soil and Water Conservation, USDA-ARS, Texas A&M and many other organizations.

Members of the **SWAT-SEA II Scientific and Organizing Committee** are: Jeff Arnold (USDA-ARS, USA), Patrick Debels (Environmental Consultant - Soresma, Belgium), Theo Dillaha (Virginia Tech, USA), Victor Ella (University of the Philippines at Los Baños, Philippines), Trinh Truong Giang (Nong Lam University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam), Ashvin Gosain (Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, India), Attachai Jintrawet (Chiang Mai, Thailand), Fanhua Hao (Beijing Normal University, China), Manoj K. Jha (Iowa State University, USA), Loi Nguyen Kim (Nong Lam University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam), Mahmud Raimadoya (Bogor Agricultural University, Indonesia), Manuel Reyes (North Carolina A&T State University, USA), Hiroaki Somura (Shimane University, Japan), Raghavan Srinivasan (Texas A&M University, USA), Samran Sombatpanit (World Association of Soil and Water Conservation-WASWAC), Brett Watson (University of Saskatchewan, Canada), Gebhard Schuler (Research Institute for Forest Ecology and Forestry Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany), Do Trung Binh (Institute of Agricultural Science for Southern Vietnam), Vo Quang Minh (Can Tho University, Vietnam), Husaini Omar (Engineering Faculty, UPM, Malaysia), Rajendra Shrestha (Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand), Kobkiat Pongput, Nipon Tangtham, Piboon Kanghae (Kasetsart University, Thailand), Sakda Sukviboon (Land Development Department, Thailand) and Khamphachanh Vongsana (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Lao PDR), Hajah Suria Zanuddin and Thippeswamy Holige Mallikarjunaiah (Department of Agriculture, Brunei Darussalam), Bui Cach Tuyen (Vietnam Environment Administration, VEA), Ho Dinh Duan (Hue Institute of Natural Resources, Environment and Sustainable Development), Ha Van Hanh (Hue University of Sciences), Truong Phuoc Minh (The University of Da Nang), Nguyen Hieu Trung (Can Tho University), Le Duc Trung (Vietnam National Mekong Committee), Greg Jennings (North Carolina State University)

The first SWAT-SEA Conference was successfully held in Chiang Mai, Thailand in January 5-8, 2009. SWAT is a leading water quality watershed model being used worldwide. SWAT-SEA II is expected to bring together about 200 people from SEA region and around the world representing academic, government, non-governmental organizations, and private industry. A SWAT-SEA Workshop on January 4-5, 2011 and a SWAT-SEA Conference on January 6-7, 2011, Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon), Vietnam are scheduled. A tour to Mekong Delta area is planned for January 8.

January 4-5, 2011: SWAT Training Workshops include:

- Introductory SWAT
- Advanced SWAT
- MapWindows
- Stream Restoration

January 6-7, 2011: SWAT Conference

- Large-scale Applications
- Climate Change Applications
- Sensitivity Calibration and Uncertainty
- Plant Growth
- Environmental Applications
- BMPs
- Hydrology
- Sediment, Nutrients, and Carbon
- Pesticides, Bacteria, Metals, and Pharmaceuticals
- Database and GIS Application and Development
- Urban Processes and Management
- Landscape Processes and Landscape / River Continuum
- InStream Sediment and Pollutant Transport

January 8, 2011: Field trip (Mekong Delta)

REGISTRATION FEE

(1) **SWAT Workshops** choose one: (January 4-5, 2011)

- **Beginners SWAT**

- o \$250 for international participants
- o \$100 for Vietnamese and student participants

Advanced SWAT (still confirming with Anne and Karim)

- o \$250 for international participants
- o \$100 for Vietnamese and student participants

- **MapWindows**

- o \$250 for international participants
- o \$100 for Vietnamese and student participants

- **Stream Restoration**

- o \$250 for international participants
- o \$100 for Vietnamese and student participants

(2) **SWAT Conference** only (January 6-7, 2011)

- o \$300 for international participants
- o \$100 for Vietnamese and student participants

(1) + (2) **SWAT Workshop + Conference** (January 4-7, 2011)

- o \$500 for international participants
- o \$175 for Vietnamese and student participants

(2) + (3) **SWAT Conference + Field Research Visit** on Water Management in the Mekong Delta (January 6-8, 2011, includes accommodation at Can Tho City on 07 Jan, 2011)

- o \$450 for international participants
- o \$250 for Vietnamese and student participants

(1) + (2) + (3) **SWAT Workshop, Conference + Field Research Visit** (January 4-8, 2011)

- o \$650 for international participants
- o \$325 for Vietnamese and student participants

Registration fees The registration fee for workshop/conference participants includes workshop/conference attendance, flash drive which contains the abstracts, proceedings and MapWindows and Open SWAT software, lunches and 2 coffee breaks 04-05 Jan 2011 (workshop) and 06-07 Jan 2011 (conference) and welcome reception (05 Jan), and Vietnamese evening (06 Jan).

You are advised to register online on the website. You can also request a registration form and return electronically to ngkloi@hcmuaf.edu.vn or nguyenkimloi@yahoo.com or by fax (+848-38960713).

IMPORTANT: Registration fees: Prices shown above are for those paying up to November 15, 2010; after that date the fee will be \$50 higher.



Payments can be made by:

- By credit card (Visa, MasterCard) when registering online. Write to Cathy Smith at cathy_smith@ncsu.edu.
- By international bank transfer. For bank account information and payment details please contact:
 - International participants: Cathy Smith
 - Vietnam: Dr. Nguyen Kim Loi at ngkloi@hcmuaf.edu.vn or nguyenkimloi@yahoo.com

Cancellation policy

In the case of cancellations after registration the following policy on refunds will be used:

- By **15 November 2010** – full refund minus administration fee of US\$50
- After **15 November to 15 December 2010** – 50% of all payments
- After **15 December 2010** – No refund

For more information please contact:

Dr. Nguyen Kim Loi, Conference Co-Chair, Nong Lam University – Ho Chi Minh City – Vietnam
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Dr. Manuel Reyes, Conference Co-Chair, North Carolina A&T State University, USA (reyes@ncat.edu,
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February 18, 2011

[Geomorphology for human adaptation to changing tropical environments](#) Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

February 20-23, 2011 IECA Annual Conference

IECA's Environmental Connection 2011's focus is "Environmental Heroes" and IECA is calling all champions of the environment to participate in the world's largest soil and water event by submitting an abstract. Suggested topics range from post-construction stormwater BMP's to Low-Impact Development (LID), but any erosion and sediment control related topics are welcome. Learn more about how to submit by visiting IECA's website at <http://www.ieca.org/submissions>. Please feel free to contact Holly Nicholson, our Education Coordinator at holly@ieca.org.



March 14-15, 2011

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LandCon 1103 Meeting

BioWise 2011 Summit and Exhibition is a two-day event of paper presentations, keynote speeches, panel discussions and roundtable sessions, to take place in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The overall theme is "**Lab Meets Industry**" with the emphasis on collaborative and cooperative approaches to the multiple issues faced by sustainable fuel industry and response to those issues, both immediate and long-term. Biofuels and bioethanol industry experts are invited to submit papers (in PDF format). A detailed extended abstract will be considered if it gives a clear reflection of the contents and key points of the coming paper. All paper submissions will be handled electronically and should be emailed to dm@greenworldconferences.com. The submitted abstracts will be subject to peer review. Papers accepted for oral presentation will be given 20

minutes presentation time and 10 minutes questions and answers time at the end of each session. **Abstract submission deadline and acceptance notification falls on 1st June 2010.** The authors will be required to submit a full paper once the abstract is accepted. Final acceptance of the full paper will be subject to confirmation of **registration payment of the author presenter of the paper at the congress.** Any author who does not meet all announced deadlines and requirements will not be allowed to present the paper at the conference. In this case, the corresponding paper will not be included in the conference proceedings.

The annual **BioWise 2011** is supported by many leading industry and academia representatives and provides ideal settings to attend presentations and workshops by an outstanding line-up of the biofuels and bioethanol industry leading executives. It is renowned for creating unparalleled opportunities for networking with targeted groups of senior-level experts and decision-makers from the biodiesel and bioethanol industry, for collaboration and sharing of information on key business strategies, update on novel, state-of-the art technologies and building of meaningful, trust commercial relationships.

BioWise 2011 continues to enjoy a steady increase in participation by teams from producers, governments, commercial, technology and research/educational communities.

BioWise 2011 is where the most influential professionals involved in the biofuel, bioethanol and biomass market gather to share their views, learn about the latest in the industry and academia, and listen to consequential, in-depth presentations - from policy makers, biodiesel and biomass producers to fuel distributors. The Summit will cover a gamut of topics crucial to the biofuel and biomass industry of today and define the path to the future of the biofuel industry. Over two days the Summit will cover the full research and development story from laboratory experiments through implementation to production, as well as most promising feedstocks. The leading biofuel research and technology companies and service providers will exhibit at the Summit thus promoting their products and acquainting the delegates with the latest technologies and developments. Join us to learn, network and generate sales at ground-breaking annual biofuel and biomass event focused on the development of renewable sources of energy. This high-profile event will connect you with plant builders, financiers, consultants, government officials, chemical engineers, marketers and producers of biodiesel and biomass.

Contact: Derek Michalski, President

Tel: 0044 (0) 20 8997 6060; 0044 (0) 20 8997 6060

Email: dm@greenworldconferences.com, WWW: <http://www.greenworldconferences.com/>

May 9-14, 2011

6th International Congress of the European Society for Soil Conservation *“Innovative Strategies and Policies for Soil Conservation”*

Thessaloniki, GREECE • 9-14 May 2011 • www.esscthessalonikicongress.gr

THEMATIC SESSIONS

1 Policies and thematic strategies for soil protection

- 1.1 Strategies for protection of soil organic matter
- 1.2 Policies for enhancing soil biodiversity
- 1.3 Reduction of soil sealing and compaction
- 1.4 Maintenance of soil structure
- 1.5 Sustainability of soil fertility
- 1.6 National and regional action plans for soil protection
- 1.7 CAP and agro-environmental measures.

2 Soil mapping and land evaluation for land use planning

- 2.1 Integration of new technologies into existing soil survey programmes
- 2.2 Research priorities for future soil survey work
- 2.3 Soil survey products and interaction with climate changes and soil carbon sequestration
- 2.4 Proposal for new taxonomic classification for adoption in Soil Taxonomy
- 2.5 Soil-landscape issues.

3 Forest fires impacts on natural resources and cultural heritage

- 3.1 Fire management systems
- 3.2 Fires and biodiversity
- 3.3 Fires and changes in the biochemical and physical properties of soils
- 3.4 Monitoring of the impact of forest fires on air quality
- 3.5 Information systems for public awareness about forest fire forecasting
- 3.6 Post-fire management models to improve forest resilience
- 3.7 Forest landscape restoration after fires, erosion control measures
- 3.8 Fire effects on hydrology

- 3.9 Soil recovery after forest fires and water quality
- 3.10 Scientific results and effective policies for restoration.
- 4 Sustainable management of wetlands**
 - 4.1 Utilization of peatlands (i.e. energy, horticulture)
 - 4.2 Chemical, physical and biological properties of peatlands
 - 4.3 Peat material used for improvement of soils
 - 4.4 Restoration and rehabilitation of peatlands
 - 4.5 Ecology and management on forested peatlands
 - 4.6 The carbon cycle in peatlands: gaseous nitrogen losses
 - 4.7 Peatlands and socio-economic aspects of utilization
 - 4.8 Policies for mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions from peat soils.
- 5 Policies and strategies for combating desertification scenarios**
 - 5.1 Land degradation and desertification at regional, national and global scales
 - 5.2 Best management practises for mitigation of the effects of land degradation
 - 5.3 Role responsibilities of stakeholders in combating land degradation and desertification
 - 5.4 Strategies for sustainable use of natural resources
 - 5.5 Technologies for the prevention and control of desertification.
- 6 Socio-economic aspects of land degradation**
 - 6.1 Degradation processes at global and regional scales
 - 6.2 Socio-economic factors and consequences of land degradation
 - 6.3 Policies to combat erosion
 - 6.4 Impacts of physical and chemical land deterioration to society
 - 6.5 Indicators of soil quality and soil health
 - 6.6 Simulation models in sustainable land management.
- 7 Soil and water management under global climatic change scenarios**
 - 7.1 Technology to mitigate the exhaustion and contamination of water resources
 - 7.2 Monitoring of drought
 - 7.3 Drought and water quality
 - 7.4 Impacts of drought on climate change
 - 7.5 Policies and actions for mitigation of water deficit
 - 7.6 Sources of agricultural greenhouse gas emissions
 - 7.7 Nitrogen cycle and its influence on the greenhouse gas balance
 - 7.8 Methods and practises for decreasing emissions from soils
 - 7.9 Nitrogen turnover processes and effects in the atmosphere and terrestrial ecosystems
 - 7.10 Effect of reactive nitrogen on European soil quality and approaches to improve nitrogen management.
 - 7.11 Site specific management
- 8 Biofuels and environmental effects**
 - 8.1 Energy crops and impact on soil quality
 - 8.2 Agriculture and bioenergy production
 - 8.3 Energy crops and future prospects
 - 8.4 Impacts of biofuel production on soils
 - 8.5 Soil and environmental implications of using crop residues as biofuel feedstock
 - 8.6 Biogas production from energy crops and plant residues.
- 9 Conservation and management of soil biodiversity**
 - 9.1 Biodiversity and agriculture interactions
 - 9.2 Conservation of soil biodiversity and Sustainable Agriculture
 - 9.3 Biodiversity of micro-organisms involved in decomposition in soils.
- 10 Restoration and remediation of degraded lands**
 - 10.1 Restoration at high altitudes
 - 10.2 Restoration of road embankments
 - 10.3 Restoration of open cast mining areas
 - 10.4 Soil restoration with native plant and seed material
 - 10.5 Bioremediation of soils contaminated with heavy metals
 - 10.6 Bioremediation of soils contaminated with organic compounds.
- 11 Special session: 'Education in soil conservation and public awareness'**
 - 11.1 Importance of soil for life and its role to society
 - 11.2 Education methods and formats across European Countries
 - 11.3 Development of multidisciplinary studies for students in the field, using new technologies to schools
 - 11.4 Means of the soil scientific community reaching the public (i.e. debates, exhibitions, mass media, art, games).

Venue

GRAND HOTEL PALACE***, Thessaloniki**

- Address: 305, Monastiriou str.,

- Location: 19 km from the airport "MACEDONIA" and 1 km from the Railway Station of Thessaloniki
- Method of payment: American Express, Visa, Master Card and Euro Card are accepted

Travelling to Thessaloniki

By air: Thessaloniki's Macedonia Airport is a fairly small but modern airport, located just 16 Km east of the city centre. It is connected to a number of international and domestic locations by both scheduled and charter flights. From Athens, both Olympic Air and Aegean Airlines have daily flights, with a flying time of 40 minutes. There are regular connections with London, Milan, Rome, Zurich, Munich, Dusseldorf and Moscow. The City is easily reached from the airport and takes about 30 minutes by bus or taxi. Bus number 78 leaves the airport every 30-45 minutes, travelling to the railway station (journey time 45 minutes) and the city centre (journey time 40 minutes).

By train: Thessaloniki is a railway hub for the Balkans, with direct connections to Sofia, Skopje, Belgrade, Moscow, Vienna, Budapest, Bucharest and Istanbul, alongside Athens and other destinations in Greece.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

- Airport express bus service for transportation to the City centre of Thessaloniki.
- Several of the services also run every 30 minutes at night.
- The standard fare is 0.60 Euro.

Contact: José Luis Rubio, President of the European Society for Soil Conservation, jose.l.rubio@uv.es
And Theodore Karyotis, Chairman of the Organizing Committee, karyotis@hellasnet.gr

May 19-21, 2011

Please find below the homepage of an international conference on: "**Climate Change, Agri-Food, Fisheries and Ecosystems: Reinventing Research, Innovation, and Policy Agendas for Environmentally- and Socially-Balanced Growth**", May 19-21, 2011, Agadir. This Conference is jointly organized by:

- [The North-South Center for Social Sciences \(NRCS\)](#), Morocco and
- [The German Technical Cooperation \(GTZ\)](#), Germany

In Collaboration with:

- The Faculty of Law, Economics and Social Sciences, [Ibn Zohr University](#), Morocco
- [The Institute for Research and Development \(IRD\)](#), France
- [Compassion in World Farming](#), England

Conference homepage: <http://nracs.webnode.com/>

Veuillez trouver ci-après le site web du Congrès international sur "**Le Changement climatique, Agriculture, Alimentation, Pêche et Écosystèmes: Réinventer la recherche, l'innovation et la politique pour une croissance écologiquement et socialement équilibrée**", mai 19-21, 2011, Agadir (Maroc). Ce Congrès est conjointement organisé par:

- Le [Centre Nord-Sud de Recherches en Sciences Sociales \(NRCS\)](#), et
- La [Coopération Technique Allemande \(GTZ\)](#), Allemagne

en collaboration avec:

- La Faculté des Sciences Économiques, Juridiques et Sociales, [Université Ibn Zohr d'Agadir](#)
- [L'Institut de Recherche pour le Développement \(IRD\)](#), France
- [Compassion in World Farming](#), UK

Site web du Congrès: <http://nracs.webnode.com/>

Thank you in advance for sharing this information

Merci d'avance pour la diffusion de l'information

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September 18-22, 2011

With this we would like to draw your attention to the first edition of a new series of meetings on applied soil science to be held bi-annually in Wageningen, the Netherlands. The first edition will be called '**Soil Science in a Changing world**' and will be held from 18-22 September 2011.

We now have the website with all required information ready: <http://www.wageningensoilmeeting.wur.nl>. The website will inform you on all the topics and formats we choose for this meeting. Soon there will be the possibility to register and submit abstracts as well.

We would like to ask you to distribute among your members the first circular of this new conference. We hope to welcome the prime of innovative soil scientists to make steps forwards in making soil science matter for society. We attached both the first circular as well as a short description of the conference, in case you might want to put this in your newsletter.

Thank you very much and with kind regards,

On behalf of the organizing committee,

Saskia Keesstra and Gerben Mol

<http://www.wageningensoilmeeting.wur.nl/UK/>



Climate change. Food security. Water resources. Biodiversity. Not issues that provoke vivid images of soil scientists contributing to solutions to mitigate these problems. These solutions are addressed, however, by many scientists participating in multidisciplinary think tanks. In the first Wageningen Conference on Applied Soil Science, titled "Soil Science in a Changing World", we will discuss the importance of soils and soil science for combating the problems we are facing around the globe.

On behalf of the Soil Science Centre of Wageningen University we would like to invite you to this conference. The first edition of the Wageningen soil meetings will address the importance of soil scientific knowledge for global issues. We want to address these topics in a dynamic way, by top key-note speeches, challenging debates, inspiring workshops and master classes as well as oral and poster presentations by participants. For further information please refer to the attached First Circular or the website: www.wageningensoilmeeting.wur.nl.



September 26-29, 2011

5th World Congress of Conservation Agriculture

incorporating 3rd Farming Systems Design Conference

26-29th September 2011 Brisbane Australia.

Australia, host for the 5th WCCA and 3rd FSD, welcomes scientists and practitioners to Brisbane to discuss current and future developments of sustainable agriculture next year.

<http://www.wcca2011.org/> Contact: John Dixon at Dixon@aciar.gov.au

October 3-7, 2011

3rd ECHO Asia Agricultural and Community Development Conference, Chiang Mai, Thailand
(Details Coming Soon) Contact Rick Burnette at echoasia@echonet.org

Late 2011 or Early 2012

Fifth International Conference on Vetiver (ICV-5), Chiang Mai, Thailand. Contact narongchc@au.edu,
www.vetiver.org

2012

Earth Summit 2012

On 24th December 2009 the UN General Assembly [passed a resolution](#) to agreeing to hold a Rio+20 Earth Summit in 2012. Stakeholder Forum played a key role in organising a number of events and bringing together key stakeholders at crucial points in the run-up to the Resolution, and will continue to play a key role in the preparatory process for Earth Summit 2012. The recent UNEP Global Ministers Environment Forum in Bali adopted a Ministerial resolution which included a number of sections on Rio+20 it can be downloaded from the UNEP web site. Please click [here](#).

As part of these preparations, on **15th May** Stakeholder Forum will host a conference in New York with the UN Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS) on the themes of the Summit, which will be just prior to the first preparatory meeting for Earth Summit 2012 (17th - 19th of May). If you would like to attend or would any further information please contact Hannah Stoddart: hstoddart@stakeholderforum.org directly.

Stakeholder Forum has just launched a new website for Earth Summit 2012 – www.earthsummit2012.org

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(<http://www.eijkelkamp.com/Portals/2/Eijkelkamp/Files/Diver-e-SENSE.pdf>)



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INFORMATION ABOUT MEMBERSHIP IN WASWAC & HOW TO SEND MONEY

1. Individual membership: US\$5/yr for developing countries; US\$10 for developed countries and persons working in international organizations worldwide.

SPECIAL: Anyone can obtain a 1-year free membership by sending e-mail to sombatpanit@yahoo.com.

INCENTIVE RATE: Payment of the fee for 4 years at the same time will enable the membership to be valid for 5 years – WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO PAY THIS RATE! **In Thailand, members are asked to pay 700 Thai Baht for a 5-year membership or 2,800 Thai Baht for Life membership.**

2. Life membership: US\$80 for developing countries; US\$160 for developed countries and persons working in international organizations worldwide. **NEW from March 4, 2010: Persons who have already passed their 60th birthday are required to pay only half of these rates.**

3-1. Organization membership (OM): For universities, research and implemental institutions, government agencies, NGOs, societies, associations and international organizations, etc. Persons belonging to an Organization member will receive the same online products and services as the other two above categories: \$100/ yr for an organization with up to 150 persons; \$150/ yr for an organization with up to 300 persons; \$200/ yr for an organization with up to 500 persons; and \$10/ yr for an additional 100 persons or part thereof. Local organizations in developing countries can request to pay at a lower rate.

3-2. Organization subscription (OS): is the same as the Organization membership but the organization wants to limit its involvement only as a subscriber.

3-3. Organization cooperation (OC): is the same as the Organization membership but the organization wants to limit its involvement only as a cooperator, without paying a fee. Any organization can be a cooperator for 1-2 years before deciding to join as OM or OS if desired.

4. Gift membership: US\$5/ yr worldwide, to be purchased by anyone to give to colleagues, friends, students, etc.

You may ask sombatpanit@yahoo.com about your membership status, i.e. up to what year you have paid. Then you may send your membership fee to either John Laflen or me or any other address in the following list:

a. Dr. John M. Laflen, Treasurer, 5784 hwy 9, Buffalo Center, IA 50424 U.S.A. Phone: +1-641-561-2324. Fax: +1-641-584-2265 Attn: J.M. Laflen. laflen@wctatel.net. He can receive money from US and Canadian members through Personal Check, Money Order, or Bank Draft (payable to WASWAC), and can receive VISA and MasterCard credit cards and Bank Draft (payable to WASWAC) from all over the world. For sending money through a bank, please give the following information to your bank:

- Foreign wires: United Bankers Bank, 1650 West 82nd Street, Bloomington, MN 55431, U.S.A. Routing number 091 001 322; Swift Code UBBKUS41; for benefit of First National Bank of Volga; account number 091 402 552; further credit World Soil #703-488.

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2. Do not deduct the bank fee from your side from the amount of money to send.

3. For sending money by wire/bank transfer or check please add US\$6 per transaction to compensate for the charge at the receiving bank in Bangkok. This additional charge is NOT applicable for the payment of membership fee(s) of US\$50 or more.

c. You can also send to Dr. Samran Sombatpanit (use the address as shown in b.) through the **Western Union** worldwide money transfer service. Learn how to send from www.westernunion.com. Their service is quick and the transfer fee has been much reduced from the earlier time. Also as in (b), please do not deduct the money transfer fee from the amount to send but do not have to add US\$6 as shown in (b3) above. Please write to sombatpanit@yahoo.com to show your intention before sending.

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