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to the Stakeholder Meeting***

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OVERVIEW

Members of the Stakeholder Forum of EcoFINDERS were invited during the preparation phase based on the needs of stakeholders input during and after the project period. The stakeholder forum will be invited for a stakeholder meeting with the aim of initiating interactive communication between the stakeholders and the EcoFINDERS consortium.

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Objectives

The success of the EcoFINDERS project is very dependent on the interactive communication with the stakeholders of the project to ensure that the products of the project, i.e. the indicators and standard operating procedures, will be adequate for use and well received and integrated in the implementation of the EU Soil Thematic Strategy. To optimize this, the stakeholder forum will be invited to an initial stakeholder meeting held in conjunction with the first general assembly meeting in Coimbra, Portugal in December 2011. This meeting will serve several purposes: the stakeholders, the Executive Committee and key scientist of the consortium will meet and discuss the needs of the stakeholders and how the possibilities of EcoFINDERS to fulfill these needs can be met; the meeting will initiate a hopefully long-lasting relationship that during and also after the termination of EcoFINDERS will be beneficial for the development of the Soil Thematic Strategy and for the biodiversity of soils in EU. This interactive communication hopefully will inspire the partners of EcoFINDERS in our work and also the stakeholders and facilitate communication both ways.

Composition of Stakeholder Forum

Members of the stakeholder forum were identified and invited during the preparation of the project based on suggestions by the beneficiaries and the specific interests and competences of the individual persons and the organizations they represent.

Special care was taken to ensure representation of different levels of representation: regional, national, EU and international level and also representing different scientific aspects of the topics of EcoFINDERS. We consider the Stakeholder Forum established as well balanced with due considerations of these matters.

Stakeholder Forum of EcoFINDERS			
Name	Institution	Country	Qualifications and Interests in relation to EcoFINDERS
National environmental agencies and institutions			
Dr. Antonio Bispo	French Environment and Energy Management Agency (ADEME)	France	ADEME is encouraging, supervising, coordinating, facilitating and undertaking operations with the aim of protecting the environment and managing energy. AB is a central person in lifting these tasks within the soil ecosystem, working with soil threats and focusing on soil biodiversity and soil services. AB has participated in the earlier EU project ENVASSO that has provided input to EcoFINDERS.
Dr. Helena Freitas	Center for Functional Ecology	Portugal	Vice president of the Board of the European Ecological Federation. HF is interested in the role of biodiversity on ecosystem processes, especially the control of above ground diversity by below ground diversity, and on ecosystem service provision. HF is deeply involved with different national NGO's on Nature Conservation, the general issue of the development and application of indicators for assessing biodiversity changes and to evaluate soil quality. http://cfe.uc.pt/index.php?menu=18&language=eng&tabela=pessoaldetail&user=3
Dr. Frank Glante	The German Federal Environment Agency	Germany	The German Federal Environment Agency represented by FG and SP, is focusing on the German National Strategy on Biodiversity with the aim of (introducing the soil biodiversity as a missing link into the strategy, and the plant protection regulation which includes characterisation of the soil biodiversity as protection goal in environmental risk assessment. In general, FG and SP are focusing on soil protection activities while including better understanding of the role and function of soil organisms.
Dr. Silvia Pieper			
Dr. Liam Lysaght	National Biodiversity Data Centre	Ireland	Director of the National Biodiversity Data Centre, GBIF National Node for Ireland. The Centre, established in 2007, serves as a national portal to biodiversity data on Ireland terrestrial, freshwater and marine biological diversity and has just published a biodiversity catalogue for Ireland so more information on soil biodiversity would inform on the next report on Irish biodiversity. The Centre promotes the free access to biodiversity data and is building tools to facilitate the use of biodiversity data in public policy for improved decision making.

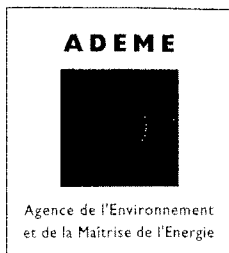
Dr. Marie-Laurence Madignier	Ministère de l'alimentation de l'agriculture et de la pêche	France	
Dr. Didier Rat			
Dr. Célia Mateus	Instituto Nacional do Recursos Biologicos	Portugal	Interested in the development and application of indicators of biodiversity and ecological indicators, especially soil and foliage invertebrates, to assess changes of habitat quality in agro-ecosystems.
Dr. John O'Neill	The Environment Heritage and Local Government	Ireland	Member of Common forum on Contaminated Land (http://www.commonforum.eu/aboutcf_members.asp) JO'N provides specialist technical support and input on the formulation, development, implementation and management of National, EU and International Environmental policy and legislation in respect of a wide range of environmental disciplines including waste management, life cycle analysis and sustainable development. JO'N is also involved in the development of markets for recyclables which includes a particular focus on developing green procurement policy. Member of Food Safety Authority of Ireland (FSAI) subcommittee on GMO and with special interest in Environmental Risk Assessment, which leads to interest in development of soil biological indicators.
Dr. B.C. Volkers	Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality	The Netherlands	No longer relevant as BCV has left the Ministry
European and international environmental agencies			
Dr. Jose Luis Rubio	European Agency on soil conservation	Spain	JLR is president of the European Society for Soil Conservation (ESSC) and chief of the Research Unit on Soil Degradation and Soil Conservation of the Centro de Investigaciones sobre Desertificación -CIDE (CSIC, Universitat de Valencia Generalitat Valenciana, Spain). JLR is an expert on desertification and different aspects related to soil science such as integrated soil cartography, soil erosion, desertification indicators, soil and water conservation, soil fertility, land use and land use change, and forest fires effects on soil and in soil processes.

Dr. Ben Delbaere	European Centre for Nature Conservation	The Netherlands	BD has extensive experience in providing expertise and support in relation to biodiversity in general and indicators, monitoring, and reporting in particular, as well as relevant international policy initiatives. BD is accustomed to liaising with organizations and institutions in the field of international biodiversity policy, such as the European Commission, EEA and its Topic Centre on Biological Diversity, the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, Council of Europe and UNEP.
Dr. Ian Hannam	International Union for Conservation of Nature	Australia	<p>IH is member of International Union for Conservation of Nature, Commission on Environmental Law. The IUCN Commission on Environmental Law (CEL) is a network of environmental law and policy experts from all regions of the world who volunteer their knowledge and services to IUCN activities, especially to those of the IUCN Law Programme.</p> <p>IH has undertaken environmental law and scientific studies in 35 countries in Oceania, Asia, Europe, and South America from 1992 to 2009. IH is an expert on sustainable use of natural resources; ecosystem management; soil and water conservation; river basin management; ecosystem management.</p> <p>IH is Adjunct Associate Professor on International Environmental Law Development and Research at the Australian Centre for Agriculture and Law, University of New England, Australia. He also works as a specialist consultant to Asian Development Bank on numerous projects in China since 1997 and to UNEP and UNDP in Asian countries, including Mongolia, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Thailand.</p> <p>http://www.alkwekb.com/history/newsletters_view.php?editid1=0000000060</p>
Industry			
Dr. Bram Brouwer	BioDetection Systems b.v.	The Netherlands	BB is a soil toxicologist representing a SME that focus on development of chips for in soil detection of pollutants. BB has a keen interest in EcoFINDERS and the possibility of developing chips for soil quality assessment.

ANNEX I

Letters of acceptance of invitation

- Dr. Antonio Bispo, ADEME, France
- Dr. Helena Freitas, Center for Functional Ecology, Portugal
- Dr. Frank Glante and Dr. Silvia Pieper, The German Federal Environment Agency, Germany
- Dr. Liam Lysaght, National Biodiversity Data Centre, Ireland
- Dr. Marie-Laurence Madignier and Dr. Didier Rat, French Ministry of Agriculture, France
- Dr. Célia Mateus, Instituto Nacional do Recursos Biologicos, Portugal
- Dr. John O'Neill, The Environment, Heritage and Local Government, Ireland
- Dr. Jose Luis Rubio, European Agency on soil Conservation, Spain
- Dr. Ben Delbaere, European Centre for Nature Conservation, The Netherlands
- Dr. Ian Hannam, International Union for Conservation of Nature, Australia
- Dr. Bram Brouwer, Biodetection, The Netherlands



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Dear Dr. Lemanceau,

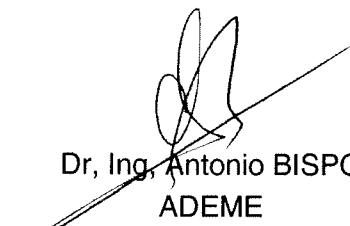
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I wish you the best for a successful pursuit of the EcoFINDERS project. Should you have any questions about this letter or need any further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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Date	Our reference	Your reference	Your letter	Enclosure(s)
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Sincerely yours,

Prof.dr. A. Brouwer
CEO

Dr Philippe Lemanceau
INRA, France
EcoFINDERS coordinator

Dr Anne Winding
AU-NERI, Denmark
Leader of WP6 on Dissemination

Subject: Membership EcoFINDERS Stakeholder Forum
Date: 11 December 2009
Our ref.: BD/2009.204
Your ref.:

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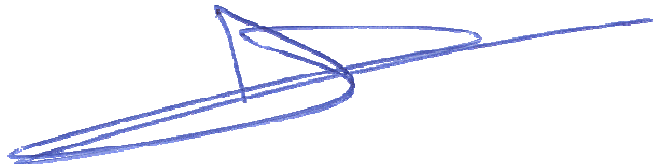
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Sincerely yours,



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Coordinator of CEF, Centre for Functional Ecology (ecology.uc.pt)
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ECOLOGICAL Function and biodiversity INDicators in EuROpean Soils (ECOFINDERS)

Proposal for EC FP7 fourth call with the work programme topics:
ENV-2010-2.1.4.4: "Increasing the understanding of the role of soil biodiversity in
ecosystem functioning"

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The German Federal Environment Agency has great interests in increasing the
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are expected to be integrated in

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Dr. Silvia Pieper
Unit “Plant Protection Products”



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Specialist Group on Sustainable Use of Soil and Desertification

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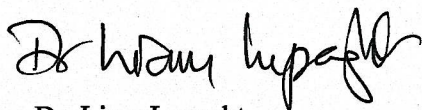
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Dr. Liam Lysaght
Director



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Rural e das Pescas

INRB, I.P.
Instituto Nacional
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Oeiras, 20 December 2009

Dear Drs. Lemanceau and Winding,

It is an honour to be invited to be a member of the Stakeholder forum to your proposed project "Ecological Function and Biodiversity Indicators in European soils" (EcoFINDERS).

With this letter I confirm that I accept your invitation.

The study you propose to conduct it is very interesting and will significantly contribute to the knowledge of the soil biodiversity and its linkage with ecosystem services. Soil management and policy will be positively influenced by the expected outcome of the project. The multidisciplinary and integrated approaches you propose are effective to address this challenge.

For further information, please feel free to contact me.

I wish you success for the EcoFINDERS project.

Best regards

Célia Mateus

Senior Researcher in INRB



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Environment, Heritage and Local Government



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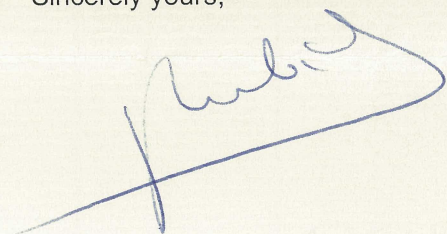
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