CEDR Transnational Research Programme

Call 2019 Soils - Final Programme Conference/Workshop

Road projects have a responsibility in safeguarding European soils through informed and responsible land-take, reduced soil sealing, and minimised soil compaction during construction, and through control of pollution and invasive species. The ROADSOIL project, funded through the CEDR Call 2019 Soils, compiled best-practices of soil management in road projects. Based on this work, guidelines were developed to provide methodologies for assessing and quantifying the impacts of road projects on soils, and to outline practical mitigation measures to offset and minimise these impacts.

We are pleased to invite people active in transport infrastructure construction and soil conservation to a workshop to learn more about the results of the project and engage in discussions of how to implement the findings in the different stages of road projects and in the different European countries. Scientists at the Norwegian Institute of Bioeconomy Research (NIBIO) coordinated the project with scientists from the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) and the Swiss Federal Institute of Forest, Snow and Landscape Research (WSL) as partners. Key topics to be addressed are strategies to reduce soil compaction during the construction phase of roads, strategies for soil stripping and storage, strategies for soil reuse and reconstruction - all as part of a soil management plan.

This Conference/workshop will be organised as a side event to the <u>Wageningen Soil</u> <u>Conference 2023</u> on August 28, 2023 at 14:00 CET in the Aurora building on Wageningen campus, Netherlands.

The introductory plenary session will be held in a hybrid mode and it will introduce the project, while the rest of the programme will include a World café workshop on how to implement the recommendations of the project in the different European countries.

The Conference/workshop is free to attend with previous registration, however due to limited capacity, the registrations will be accepted on first-come, first-served basis. Please register here by 14 August 2023 for in-person participants and by 24 August 2023 at the latest for online participants.

Queries concerning the attendance can be sent to Naida Muirhead at CEDR (naida.muirhead@cedr.eu), while questions on the workshop can be sent to Hans Martin Hanslin at NIBIO (hans.martin.hanslin@nibio.no).

More information on the CEDR Call 2019 Soils is available here.



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Agenda of the FINAL PROGRAMME CONFERENCE

Date: 28 August 2023

Location: Wageningen University & Research, Aurora Building 127, Vijfde Polder 1, 6708 WC Wageningen, The Netherlands

Programme

14:00	Welcome and introduction
14:15	Hybrid summary session: ROADSOIL – presentation of key project results with Q&A session
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15:45	Coffee break
16:15	World café workshop (in-person only):
	How to implement the recommendations of the ROADSOIL project in different European countries - focus on reuse of surplus soil, compensation measures, EIA and soil management plans, decision-making on site, and certification and training of personnel.
17:30	Summary of discussions and closing remarks
18:00	End of Conference

