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D T4.1: Curriculum for training course on policy impact assessment

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Related milestones

- M T4.1: Training course on policy impact assessment announcement
- M T4.2: Training course on policy impact assessment finalised

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Abstract/Executive summary

A one-week MACSUR training course on policy impact assessment was held in March 2014 at Haifa University in Israel. The course was organised by ZALF (Hannes König, Katharina Helming) and Haifa University (Ofira Ayalon, Edan Benami, Ruslana Palatnik), targeting at the participation of Post-Docs and PhD students associated to the MACSUR consortium. The Framework for Participatory Impact Assessment (FoPIA) was used as the main method for the course to support structuring the policy impact assessment. The Israelian MACSUR case study of the Ramat Menashe Biosphere was used the test case of assessing alternative policy options and sustainability trade-offs.

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Announcement of training course

MACSUR FACCE-JPI - Theme Trade, cooperation between WP-T3 and WP-T4

International Workshop

Sustainability assessment of land use scenarios: what needs to be considered and how can it be done?

23/3/2014-26/3/2014

University of Haifa, Israel

Jacobs Building, room 506

The workshop will incorporate two main parts:

- 1. **Theoretical part:** understand formalized processes of decision making as well as decision makers needs for evidence.
- 2. **Practical part:** provide training on integrated modeling/assessments. For this purpose the Framework for Participatory Impact Assessment (FoPIA) will be introduced to provide an integrated and well-established method that guides experts and/or decision makers through a policy impact assessment while emphasizing: (i) the development of scenarios, (ii) the analysis of the regional sustainability context, (iii) assessment of possible policy impacts and sustainability trade-offs. The case study will deal with the biosphere reserve of Ramat Menashe.

Organization (NRERC, Haifa University, Israel and ZALF, Germany):

- Dr. Ruslana Rachel Palatnik NRERC Natural Resource and Environmental Research Center, University of Haifa, Israel; Department of Economics and Management, The Max Stern Academic College Of Emek Yezreel, Israel
- Prof. Ofira Ayalon NRERC- Natural Resource and Environmental Research Center, University of Haifa, Israel
- Dr. Katharina Helming Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF)
- Dr. Hannes J. König Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF)

<u>Target group</u>: this course is open to all MACSUR partners, and in particular to graduated students, PhDs and Post-Docs. The participation in the workshop is free of charge, for foreign students few scholarships are available.

Program:

Day 1: Sunday 23 March

Theory & Case study: "Impact assessment of alternative land use scenarios in the Ramat Menashe Biosphere reserve, Israel"

Morning (9:30 – 12:30)

- Introduction: Who we are? Target of the seminar (Katharina & Hannes)
- Theory on Impact Assessment & Sustainable Development (Katharina)

short break

- The FoPIA method (Hannes)
- <u>Group exercise I</u>.: tour de table students intro themselves and allocate themselves to land use functions (LUFs)

Lunch break

Afternoon (13:15 - 16:30)

- <u>13:30 Introduction of the case study:</u> key characteristics, land use activities, background about the Biosphere reserve, UNESCO implementation plan (etc.)
- <u>14:30 Group exercise II.</u>: students allocate to LUF and to sector ministries (departments); work out in parallel groups key issues for each LUF for case study; afterwards presentation in front of plenary

short break

- 15:30 Roadmap for fieldtrip: DPSIR scheme and key questions to Drivers, Stakeholders and Pressures, Impact Themes (Hannes)
- 16:00 Preparations/ logistics for the field trip (Ofira)

Day 2: Monday 24 March

Excursion

• Field visit to the biosphere reserve of Ramat Menashe Biosphere (selected sites)

Guiding questions for the field trip:

- \Rightarrow What are key land use drivers (i.e. influencing factors of change) in the region?
- ⇒ Who are main actors (stakeholders) of land use and how is their influence on future land use?
- ⇒ What are likely FUTURE land use scenarios for Ramat Menashe Biosphere?

Hour	Place	Content	Status
08:30	University of Haifa	Bus Departure	
09:00	Fish Farm - Hazorea	Aqua agriculture farm, water uses, R&D	coordinated
10:00	Transfer to - firing range		
10:20	A3 core	Biosphere core, pasture and dairy farming issues, The rehabilitation of Taninim River, Sarcopoterium spinosum	to coordinate (IDF, Simcha Naor, Yinon Nevo, Ben Rozenberg)
11:30	Transfer to- Menashe Heights		
12:00	Observation on Hagit Sight, High way 6	Power Station, Gas Station plan, High way 6.	to coordinate with Nir Sahar and the Citizens Operation
12:45	Ein Mecholelim	Rehabilitation Project, Adopt Sight Project, Core	coordinated
13:30	Mevo Carmel wastewater treatment plant	Prototype plan for sewage and water treatment, water plan for agriculture	
14:15	Hut	Discussion	coordinated
15:30	Return to University of Haifa		

Day 3: Tuesday 25 March

Morning (9:30 - 13:00)

Hands-on exercise: using the FoPIA method

"Stakeholder-based Impact assessment" (Hannes & Katharina)

• Elaboration of land use scenarios

<u>Guiding question:</u> "What are the three main land use options in Ramat Menashe Biosphere in the future?"

• Analyzing the sustainability context of Ramat Menashe Biosphere <u>Guiding question:</u> "What are the key economic, social and environmental sustainability preferences of local stakeholders on land use in Ramat Menashe Biosphere?"

Afternoon (13:45 - 16:30)

- Scenario impact assessment (individual impact scoring)
- Joint discussion of scenario impact results (group discussion)
- **Explorative trade-off analysis** between economic, social and environmental sustainability dimensions
- Recommendations for sustainability-oriented policy making

short break

- **Preparation** for the examination
- Feedback round

Day 4: Wednesday 26 March

Time 9:00-10:30

Examination (2-Credit Points)

Written exam

- Multiple choice (50%)
- Written text (50%)

Method: FoPIA assessment approach

For the MACSUR training course, the integrated FoPIA assessment approach was used. FoPIA provides a structured sequence of methods for conducting sustainability assessments of alternative land use policies (Helming et al. 2011; König et al. 2010; Morris et al. 2011). FoPIA consists of two basic assessment directions: firstly, a discursive examination of causal relationships and attributions of changes between human activities and sustainability targets, and secondly, the exploration of scenario impacts and possible trade-offs on defined sustainability targets at the regional level. The implementation structure of FoPIA follows three main steps: (i) scenario development, (ii) specification of the sustainability context, and (iii) scenario impact assessment and is illustrated in Figure 1.



Figure 1. Sustainability assessment structure of the Framework for Participatory Impact Assessment (FoPIA).

A detailed description of the FoPIA method can be found under: http://www.springerprofessional.de/participatory-impact-assessment-of-soil-andwater-conservation-scenarios-in-oum-zessar-watershed-tunisia/3501318.html (König et al. 2012)

List of participants (not available in published version)

<u>Name</u>	Background	<u>Contact details</u>

Course evaluation by participants

Part 1- the course and its content and contribution													
													AVG
Its objectives were clearly stated	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	5	5	5	5	4,583
The reading and background information contributed to my understanding of the course subjects	5	4	5	5	3	4	5	4	5	3	3	5	
													4,250
Provided me with plenty of knowledge on the subject	5	5	4	5	4	3	5	4	5	5	5	5	4,583
Promoted my interest in the course subject	5	5	5	4	4	3	5	4	5	5	5	5	4,583
Will assist me in my future career	irrelevant	4	4	5	3	3	5	4	2	4	4	5	3,909
Helped me to think interdisciplinary	5	5	4	3	4	4	5	5	4	4	5	5	4,417
Part 2 - The instructors													
Presented the material in a clear and interesting way	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	4	5	4	5	5	4,750
Responded to questions, comments and criticism	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	4,917
Contributed to my knowledge and understanding	5	5	5	4	5	4	5	4	5	5	5	5	4,750
Were cordial and respectful	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	4,917

Comments													
1)Excellent instructions, very interesting, fun a	and knowle	dge, m	nore cou	urses like	this in th	ne futur	e.						
2) Instructions clear and helpful, trip gave prac	ctical unde	rstandi	ng										
3) The 3 rd day was more difficult to perceive a	3) The 3 rd day was more difficult to perceive and understand how to implement. Needs more clarification. First 2 days were better and				r and								
clearer- overall very important and well organ	ized							-					
4) need for more data to better understand th	e issues												
5) fascinating course.													
6) the fact that the course was in English was a	a bit difficu	lt,											
7) Very well planned, very interesting. Field trip- well planned and interesting built gradually from simple to complicate. Very efficient					ient								
and good use of time, instructors were willing to learn from the students as much as the students were willing to learn from the													
professionals. Excellent size of group, deep an	d meaning	ful disc	ussions					-					
8) Hebrew translation was lacking													
9) well done, more reading materials should h	ave been p	rovide	d										
10) very interesting, and well introduced, exce	ellent case s	study a	nd the	field trip	was of g	reat joy	. Wish	we had	more	course	s like th	nis	
11) since I'm very familiar with the dilemma, I	could not l	be obje	ective a	nd view d	lifferent	topics.							

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APPENDIX

- Sustainable Development and Impact Assessment of Land Use Theory and Background (.ppt/ Helming)
- The FoPIA approach A participatory stakeholder method for sustainability impact assessment of land use scenarios (.ppt/ König)
- Scenario assessment results of the training course



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Sustainable Development and Impact Assessment of Land Use

Theory and Background

Katharina Helming, ZALF

Haifa, 25.03.2014

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Issues

- Food production
- Bioenergy
- Ecosystem services
- Rural livelyhood
- Recreation
- Water, soil, air
- Biodiversity
- Rural-urban relations

Disciplines

- Agriculture
- Soil Science
- Hydrology
- (Micro)biology
- Modelling
- Landscape
- Economy
- Sociology

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Modelling European Agriculture with Climate Change for Food Security



European Project: Scenarios Methods Models Data Case studies



Content of morning session today

- 1. Multifunctional land use and sustainable development
- 2. Drivers of change how will land use develop
- 3. Stakeholders who is involved
- 4. Impact Assessment scientific support to decision making
- 5. Method Framework of Participatory Impact Assessment
- 6. Exercise Embassadors of Land Use Functions





1 Multifunctional land use and sustainable development



Land Use Types





Agriculture



Infrastructure



Energy







Forestry

Nature Conservation

Urban

Global Dynamics of Land Use









Food, fibre and energy production



economic functions





Residential and non land based industry



economic functions





Infrastructure



economic functions

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Provision of abiotic resources



environmenta functions





Support and provision of habitat (biodiversity, gene pool)



environmenta functions





Maintenance of ecosystem processes



environmenta functions





Provision of jobs



Social functions





Human health and recreation



Social functions





Cultural landscape identity (scenary and cultural heritage)

Social functions









Helming et al., Springer

Multifunctional land use

interaction of land use

types and land use functions

Land Use Types



Agriculture



Forestry



Nature Conservation



Transport Infrastructure



Energy



Tourism

Multifunctional land use

Provision of work

Cultural & aesthetic recreation values

Industry & Land based services production

and Use Functions

Infrastructure

Abiotic resources

Biotic resources Ecosystem processes





Social

Human

health &















Environment

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Sustainable development and Decision making for land use





Sustainable Development

Balance between economic, social and ecological targets



"Sustainability refers to the social, economic and environmental well-being for today and tomorrow" (iisd 2010)





Sustainable Development and stakeholder views

The development trends of the sustainability concept (European Commission Secretariat General, 2004)



Sustainable Development was mainly	Sustainable Development is mainly
Taking account of environmental protection and development	Balancing and integrating the three dimensions (economic, social and environmental)
Expert led and the responsibility of Government	An opportunity for broad participation
A substantial concept	A procedural concept





- Integration of 3 pillars: environment, economy, society
- Procedural concept, participation, negotiation, context dependent
- Respect different values and priorities
 of stakeholders involved
- Integrative, long-term, transdisciplinary
- May be operationalised with LUF concept







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Stakeholders and

Decision Makers on Land Use







Who has stakes - who decides about what



Farmer/Forester



Industry







Policy maker

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A matter of scales



Global: prices, demand, stocks, flows, trade, technologies

National: policies, subsidies, habits, demands, markets

Regional: plans, programs

Local: farmers, consumer preferences, condition





Future Drivers of

Land Use Changes



Demand: World population 2050: 9,1 Billion Menschen Meat consumption +70 % food production Energy Scarcity

"Buy land, they've stopped making it!" Mark Twain (1835-1910)_____

Resources: Climate Change Soil degradation Water scarcity Oil price

Technologies: GMO Biotechnology Precision farming Organic Farming Property Rights: Landgrabbing Urbanisation Investment



FAO 2013

The Future: Driving Forces and Land Decisions

Investments in Land

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The Online Public Database on Land Deals

The Land Matrix is a global and independent land monitoring initiative that promotes transparency and accountability in decisions over land and investment.

This website is our Global Observatory - an open tool for collecting and visualising information about large-scale land acquisitions.

The data represented here is constantly evolving; to make this resource more accurate and comprehensive, we encourage your participation.

Read more

dmatrix.org/en/

Bona... 🥃 CAST... 🥃 Bona.

Watch the video introduction



We currently have information about: 9





GET THE DETAIL

GET INVOLVED

Data is at the core of our project, but numbers alone can't tell a good story. These interactive visualizations are here to help you grasp the phenomenon of large-scale land acquisitions. Through them, we try to provide answers to questions such as how much land we're talking about, who's buying where, how much of the land is used for growing food, etc.













Dynamics overview

Web of transnational deals

Agricultural drivers

It's a big deal

Compare the size





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The Future: Driving Forces and Land Decisions

Growth in Organic Agricultural Land 2001-2011



The Future: Driving Forces and Land Decisions



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Integrating Challenges and Objectives:

Economic:	Food security Price Stability Bio-energy and functional crops Employment and Income
Environment:	GHG emissions, climate change Soil degradation Water/Air quality Habitats and Biodiversity
Rural development.	Vitality of Rural Areas

Diversity of European Agriculture





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Ex-ante Impact Assessment

scientific support to policy decision making





Ex-ante Impact Assessment

"The purpose of an (Impact) Assessment is to synthesize peerreviewed scientific information in a form that is relevant for policy, but does not prescribe policy"

> S.R. Carpenter Ecology & Society, 2008

(scientific viewpoint)





- What could be the effect of alternative policy options on environment, social and economic impact areas
 - How important are these effects









Impact Assessment at the European Commission



Tscherning et al. (2008). Impact Asessment of Land Use Changes, Springer





What will be the impacts?

- Identify opportunities and threats
- > Consider all 3 aspects of sustainable development:
- Economic impacts
- Social impacts
- Environmental impacts
- Provide evidence for decision makers



Standardised procedure, mandatory for all policies







Critera for indicator selection

 \blacktriangleright A clear representation of the indicandum (impact area)

- A clear proof of relevant cause effect relations
- \blacktriangleright An optimal sensitivity of the representation
- Adequate spatio-temporal scales
- \blacktriangleright High transparency of the derivation strategy
- Validity of representativesness (offical data)
- Comparability with indicator sets
- Optimal degree of aggregation
- Good fulfillment of statistical requirements





glish/Indicators

Israel Ministry of Environmental Protection



The main sources of air pollution in Israel are human ...

Israel has a rich biodiversity which includes hundreds of thousands of species of plants, ...

Economic activity has a significant impact on the environment, whether in terms of energy and ...



Land cover relates to the totality of uses that cover the ...











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FoPIA – A Framework for Participatory Impact Assessment What is FoPIA?

• "a structured set of sequenced research methods that, collectively, facilitate the involvement of national, regional and local stakeholders in assessments of land use policy impacts at the case study level" (Morris et al. 2011)

Purpose

- Participatory exploration of possible impacts that policy induced land use changes might have
- To support the exchange of interdisciplinary stakeholder and expert groups

















	Step 2: Specification of the Su	stainability context
	Land Use Function (LUF) concept	ning S
	Weighing the LUFs Scale: 1-10 Discussing regional situation 	and priorities
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	Step 2: Specification of the Sustainability context
	Land Use Function (LUF) concept ➡ Weighing LUFs ➡ Indicator selection
-	Land use functions (LUFs) LUF-indicator
COLOR STREET	ECO 1: Land based production Economic production from land [yield]
	ECO 2: Non-land based production Build-up area [m ³] ECO 3: Infrastructure Pead density and quality flength and status
	SOC 1: Provision of work Regional employment [%]
- Alton	SOC 2: Quality of life Net income per household [RMB]
-Xee	SOC 3: Food security Regional food availability [kg/capita]
EL TO LAN	ENV 1: Abiotic resources Soil health/quality [status]
	ENV 2: Biotic resources Habitat and biodiversity [status]
	ENV 3: Ecosystem processes Vegetation cover [status]
	ECO = Economic, SOC = Social, ENV = Environmental













Scenario impact assessment results



Aggregated results (trade-offs)





Land use functions weights (sustainability preferences)