



## FINAL COST 634 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

### “On- and Off-site Environmental Impacts of Runoff and Erosion”



### FIRST CIRCULAR

Aveiro, Portugal  
30<sup>th</sup> June to 4<sup>th</sup> July 2008



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## OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

Runoff and soil erosion are among the major environmental threats related to agricultural and forest land uses in Europe. The main consequences of erosion are not only on-site: soil degradation, declining soil fertility, limiting infiltration capacity and water storage. Off-site impacts include eutrophication of watercourses and lakes, destruction of wildlife habitats, siltation of dams, reservoirs, rivers, and property damage by flooding (muddy floods). Runoff prevention and soil protection have beneficial effects in reducing flood risk, especially against a background of climate change.

The main aim of this final conference of the COST Action 634 (2004-2008) is to present the achievements of the action and to discuss the results of soil erosion research in the context of land management and policy formulation that encourage soil protection and reduce the on-and off-site impacts of runoff and erosion; identify and analyse the barriers for effective soil protection at all levels (scientific, political, administrative and management), develop tools and methods to support decision making in the sustainable management of erosion-sensitive areas at the farm level; develop an integrated understanding of on-and off-site impacts at the catchment scale.



## CONFERENCE FOCUS TOPICS

### WG1

The challenge of implementing soil conservation

- Sustainable Land Use,
- Policy Issues,
- Attitudes towards soil conservation practices

### WG2

Sustainable Farm-Scale Management

### WG3

Sediment Sources and Sinks

### Special Session

Runoff and erosion modelling, socio-economic & policy issues in areas subject to forest fires

## ORGANISATION

### Scientific Committee

Anne-Veronique Auzet (FR), Katharina Helming (DE), John Boardman (UK), Victor Jetten (NL), Mike Kirkby (UK), Preben Olsen (DK), Jerzy Rejman (PL), Johannes Schuler (DE), Celeste Coelho (PT), António Ferreira (PT), J. Jacob Keizer (PT)

### Organizing Committee

Celeste Coelho, Jacob Keizer, António Ferreira, Anne Karine Boulet, Maruxa Malvar, Sergio Prats, Sandra Valente, Dina Calado

### Host institution

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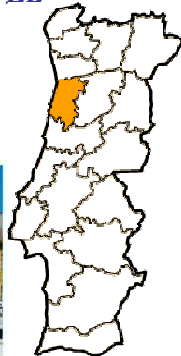
## DRAFT PROGRAM

Mon, 30 <sup>th</sup> June:	Arrival and registration Ice-breaking reception Steering Committee meeting
Tues, 1 <sup>st</sup> July:	WG1 & WG2 plenary sessions ,, ,, poster session
Wed, 2 <sup>nd</sup> July:	Field trip to Aveiro region
Thurs, 3 <sup>rd</sup> July:	WG3 plenary session Special fire-related session WG3 & Special poster sessions
Fri, 4 <sup>th</sup> July:	Departure

## ACCOMODATION & TRAVEL



Information on accommodation and travel to Aveiro will be available with the second circular



## IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract (max. 500 words):	February 15, 2008
Notification of acceptance:	April 2, 2008
Early registration deadline:	May 15, 2008
Final conference program:	June 15, 2008

The abstract should be send by e-mail, preferably in PDF format, to [cost634aveiro@dao.ua.pt](mailto:cost634aveiro@dao.ua.pt) with request for receipt notification.

## CONTACT PERSON

### For Further Conference Information

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## CONFERENCE WEBSITE

<http://la.cesam.ua.pt/cost634/index.htm>



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## REGISTRATION

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### Registration fee

100 € for PhD students  
150 € for all other participants until May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
200 € after May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

(includes field trip, lunches, refreshments, conference materials and conference dinner)

### Payment of registration fee by bank transfer:

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