



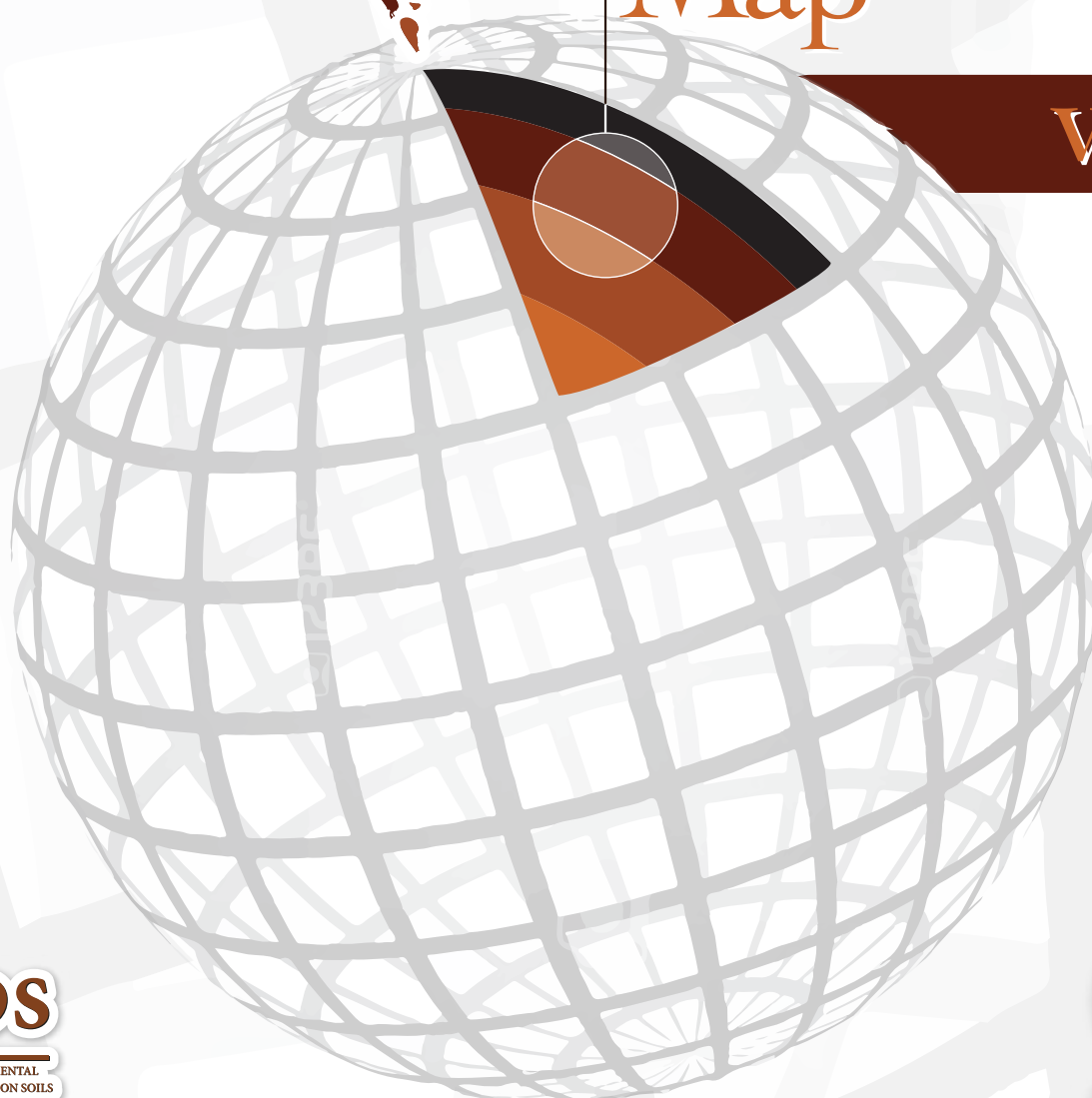
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# Foreword

This document presents the technical details of the first ever country-driven Global Soil Organic Carbon Map (GSOCmap). This map allows the estimation of soil organic carbon stock from 0 to 30 cm. It represents a key contribution to the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) indicator 15.3.1, which defines the area of degraded land. The novelty of this map is the fact that it is the first ever global soil organic carbon assessment which is produced through a participatory approach. Countries developed their capacities and stepped up efforts to compile or collect all available soil information at the national level.

The 5th GSP Plenary Assembly, in June 2017, approved the decision of member countries jointly developing a GSOCmap as a baseline for the amount and distribution of organic carbon in soils. This map is part of the process of building a Global Soil Information System (GLOSIS) under the 4th pillar of the GSP, which aims to enhance the quantity and quality of soil data and information. This considerable effort, which led to the launch of the GSOCmap on World Soil Day 2017 (5 December), is paving the way to the establishment of national soil information systems and represents the first step toward introducing a soil monitoring program.

This technical report is aimed at scientists. It provides guidance on the process that led to the establishment of the GSOCmap and on how to use it. The map provides users with useful information to monitor the soil condition, identify degraded areas, set restoration targets, explore soil organic carbon sequestration potentials, support the greenhouse gas emission reporting under the UNFCCC. It also provides users with crucial information that is needed to make evidence based decisions to mitigate and adapt to climate change.

We can expect that the extensive data content of more than 1 million sampling points resulting from country contributions and the interactive nature of the GSOCmap will greatly assist in the process of building a global soil information system, which in turn will help contribute in the achievement of the sustainable development goals.

We are proud to make this very first edition of the Global Soil Organic Carbon Map technical summary available for the international scientific community, and we hope that this map will be a major step in combating not only climate change which is directly linked to soil organic carbon, but also poverty, hunger and malnutrition.

The contributing institutions from the participating countries which submitted their maps or data are listed in Appendix A.

This technical report is a companion report to the GSOCmap V1.5.0. It presents methodologies and process of compiling the Global Soil Organic Carbon Map.





# Chapter 1

## Background

### 1.1 The importance of soil organic carbon

Soil organic carbon (SOC) is the main component of soil organic matter (SOM) and is a crucial contributor to food production, mitigation and adaption to climate change, and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). SOC affects most of the processes relevant to soil functions and food production. A high SOM, and therefore SOC content provides plants with the nutrients and water they need by increasing soil fertility and water availability, which in turn improve food productivity. SOC has also long been used as an indicator of soil health, due to its capacity to improve soil structural stability, which affects porosity, aeration and water filtration capacities to supply clean water. However, SOC mineralization can be an important source of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. This means that changing SOM (and hence SOC) not only changes the provision of ecosystem services required for crop production, but also affects soils' capacity to buffer against environmental changes, as it regulates the resilience agricultural systems to climate change.

SOC has received great attention during the development of the GHG reporting programme of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) since the mid-nineties. This was done to address the contribution of intensive land management and the vast amount of degraded land to greenhouse gas emissions, since these have caused tremendous historic losses of SOC, resulting in high potentials for future carbon storage. Recently, an increasing number of authors have stressed the crucial role of healthy soils, with soil carbon being the most important indicator for food security and resilience against climate change. This has led to above and below ground carbon (SOC) becoming sub-indicators for the SDG target 15.3.1 (Proportion of land that is degraded over total land area).

The Status of the World's Soil Resources (SWRS) report highlights that, although more carbon is stored in the soil than in the atmosphere and plant life combined, a large portion (33 percent) of the world's soils are degraded, which has led to a major loss of global SOC reserves. The reversal of soil degradation through the buildup of SOM and the sustainable management of soils therefore offers large potential to contribute to climate change mitigation by sequestering atmospheric carbon into the soil. This emphasizes that soil can be a double-edged sword when it comes to carbon fluxes, as it can either be a net sink or a net source of GHGs depending on soil management practices.

Despite the current focus on SOC, knowledge about SOC baselines and changes, and the detection of vulnerable hot spots for SOC losses and gains under climate change and changed land management are still fairly limited. Accurate SOC baselines are still needed for many countries, and estimates about the role of soils in the global carbon cycle are currently only based on rough estimates, which results in large uncertainties. Global SOC estimates exist, but there is high variability in reported values among authors, caused by the diversity of different data sources and methodologies used to calculate and measure these estimates (Henry *et al.*, 2009; Köchy *et al.*, 2015).

## 1.2 Objectives of soil carbon mapping

The Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soils (ITPS) and the GSP Secretariat were asked by the Science-Policy Interface (SPI) of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) to share information about the possible pathways to support the SDG 15.3.1 indicator on SOC. During the 5th Session of the ITPS held during March 2016, collaboration between the ITPS and the SPI of the UNCCD, the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) was discussed. The GSP/ITPS were requested to conduct a global SOC assessment based on country-level spatial soil data sets, combined into a new global SOC map. This task would directly relate to SDG 15.3.1, and would also support the endorsed metrics for the assessment of land degradation neutrality (LDN) (FAO and GSP, 2016b). The preparation of the GSOCmap was discussed and supported to the 4th and 5th GSP Plenary Assembly (FAO and GSP, 2016a, 2017a).

As it was approved by the decision of the 5th GSP Plenary Assembly, June 2017 (FAO and GSP, 2017a), GSP members agreed to jointly develop a global SOC map as the zero status for the amount and distribution of SOC in soils around the world. This map was developed following the general GSP principle of being a country-driven initiative. It is a part of the process to build a Global Soil Information System under GSP Pillar 4 (Enhance the quantity and quality of soil data and information: data collection (generation), analysis, validation, reporting, monitoring and integration with other disciplines).

The development of the Global Soil Organic Carbon Map using a country-driven approach provides and builds on synergies with ongoing and new reporting needs, data sharing obligations, and therefore benefits activities at national, regional and global levels. Particularly to:

- enable training for countries in need of technical support (e.g. regarding the collection, statistical evaluation and modeling of SOC data);
- develop data infrastructure to update the SWRS report on SOC through a country-driven baseline, and initiate future assessments of SOC changes;
- support national GHG reporting: develop a valid, measurement-based inventory of reference SOC stocks for IPCC-tier 2 assessments;
- further utilize SOC mapping to estimate the soil carbon sequestration potentials (e.g. through modeling) and the vulnerability of soil functions under climate change (with SOC as an indicator);

- contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals: by developing national SDG-15.3.1 tier 3 data for the sub-indicator of soil carbon;
- conduct harmonized assessments at different levels of action: GSP regional soil partnerships, FAO regional and country offices, national soil information institutions (GSP Pillar 4 INSII), national statistics offices (already involved with FAOSTAT), and GEOSS design principles for global data layers.

## 1.3 Data policy

### 1.3.1 Data sharing principles

The GSP Data Policy has been endorsed by partners of the Global Soil Partnership during the 5th GSP Plenary Assembly in June 2017 (FAO and GSP, 2017b) in order to promote and govern soil data sharing for data products including GSOCmap contributions, and considering harmonization and interoperability requirements.

The GSP data policy aims to ensure that:

- every existing ownership right to shared soil data are respected;
- the specific level of access and the conditions for data sharing are clearly specified;
- the ownership of each dataset and web service are properly acknowledged and well-referenced;
- the data owners are protected from any liability arising from the use of their original and/or derived data.

It is recommended that data owners comply with the following open data principles:

- a. Accessibility: the data shall be divulged through the Internet (web services).
- b. Availability: the data is presented in a convenient, platform-independent and standards-conformant format (e.g. web feature service WFS).
- c. License: the formal concession of the usage and access rights over the data shared.
- d. Cost: data shall be shared free of cost, or at no more than a reasonable reproduction cost, preferably by downloading it from the Internet.
- e. Re-use and redistribution: data must be provided and licensed under terms that permit its reuse and redistribution, including intermixing with other datasets.
- f. Global benefit: any user must be able to access, use and redistribute data of the Global Soil Information System. However, inherited restrictions by national data policies shall be accepted.
- g. Metadata: data describing the products of the Global Soil Information System will by default be open for access.

The data shared by the countries shall contain the relevant soil information representative for the area portrayed. The shared data-sets contain the best available information for a given area and topic, however, they are subject to potential restrictions based on the institutions' or countries' data policy.

The data shared by the countries should be quality controlled which means that the data have been technically evaluated to ensure data integrity, correctness, and completeness; errors and omissions are identified and, if possible, addressed.

### **1.3.2 Ownership, data rights and citation**

In the case of original data, the rightful data owner keeps full ownership of it. All intellectual property rights (IPR) and copyrights pertaining to the data owner remain intact and are respected by the soil data facility (SDF) host. All data providers must communicate to the SDI host their IPR and data use policies. Thus, the ownership of all data made available through the GSP soil portal need to be clearly specified. This is an important prerequisite to allow this data to be accessible through the soil SDF.

In the case of derived data, the deriving institution becomes the rightful owner. However, all original data must be accredited and correctly cited. According to the Pillar 4 Implementation Plan, each global-level derived GSP data product will be quality-assured by the Pillar 4 Working Group. This includes agreements about the correct citation.

The data owner shall ensure that the data shared can be used and interpreted by the authorized users in general; this includes providing the proper citations, as well as providing information over the ownership of such data for acknowledgement purposes. Users shall acknowledge the source of data provided through the Global Soil Information System.

All providers of original data (data owners) are responsible to define and clarify the IPR and licensing. Any user of this data, such as the SDF host, has to respect the national data policies and/or licensing involved with the retrieval of the respective web services. In the case of data provided to the central repository, a bilateral agreement/license may be required (between the national data owner and SDF host), depending on and in conformity with national rules.

More information about the data policy can be accessed at [FAO and GSP \(2017b\)](#)

## Chapter 2

# GSP Capacity Development Programme

### 2.1 Training courses on Digital Soil Mapping

Considering the request from partners to support them by providing training on state of the art techniques for SOC mapping, the Secretariat designed a capacity development programme following an on-the-job training model. The aim of the GSP capacity development program has been to introduce recent concepts and techniques of digital soil mapping (DSM) to soil experts who work at national soil science institutes in soil mapping related activities. The impact of the trainings should be reflected on developing and updating national and regional soil information systems.



Figure 2.1: GSP - Capacity development programme - training locations and countries that participated. Map conforms to United Nations World map, February 2020

In order to support national capacities on digital soil organic carbon mapping, DSM workshops were organized by the GSP and the regional soil partnerships. The training workshops were already part of the GSP capacity development programme before the launch of the GSOCmap



project (2012-2016). In 2017, the training focused more on digital soil organic carbon mapping to support countries with their GSOCmap contributions. After the launch of the GSOCmap project, additional training sessions were organized in different regions and eventually the capacity development program was able to reach 105 countries and 60 percent of the area coverage.

The contents of the workshops included: introduction to R; preparing spatial covariates using SAGA GIS; correlation analysis; regression-kriging; randomForest; support vector machines; uncertainties and validation. By the end of the training courses, participants were able to collect and rescue soil legacy data, compile and harmonize soil data for DSM applications, implement DSM, produce soil property maps and their uncertainties, and develop accurate digital soil maps for updating their national soil information systems.

## 2.2 GSP Remote Support Platform

A systematic process was by the GSP Secretariat to assist and provide technical support to soil experts after the training sessions (e.g., phone, video conferencing, email exchange). The post-training support process allowed the GSP Secretariat to address any questions, doubts, or problems that countries faced.

## 2.3 Soil Organic Carbon Mapping Cookbook

The Soil Organic Carbon Mapping Cookbook (Yigini *et al.*, 2018) has been developed by the ITPS and GSP Secretariat to provide generic methodologies and the technical steps for producing a SOC map. This includes step-by-step guidance for developing 1 km grids for SOC stocks, as well as for the preparation of local soil data, the compilation and pre-processing of ancillary spatial data sets, mapping methodologies, and uncertainty assessments.

Guidance is mainly specific to soil organic carbon data, but also contains many generic sections on soil grid development due to its relevance for other soil properties. The main focus of the guidance is on the mapping of SOC stocks in the GSOCmap and as such the cookbook supplements the GSP Guidelines for sharing national data/information to compile a Global Soil Organic Carbon (GSOC) map. It provides technical guidance for:

- setting up the needed software environment;
- preparing ground data for soil organic carbon modeling;
- calculating SOC stocks from local samples to a target depth of 30 cm;
- preparing spatial covariates for mapping;
- choosing and applying the best suitable mapping methodology;
- evaluating the results and the outputs and providing guidance on validation and uncertainty assessments.

Table 2.1: GSP on-the-job digital soil mapping trainings

Date of training	Location	Participants	Participating countries
9 - 13 Jul/2012 †	Cali, Colombia	18	South American Soil Partnership Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba El Salvador, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Perú, Dominican Republic, Suriname, Uruguay, Venezuela
Set/2012 †	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil		
18 - 22 Mar/2013†	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	20	Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba El Salvador, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Perú, Dominican Republic, Uruguay, Venezuela
16 - 27 Mar/2015†	Accra, Ghana	21	Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, Djibuti, DRC, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Guinea, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa, Eswatini, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia
29 Nov - 07 Dec/2015†	Amman, Jordan	28	Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine (State of), Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tunisia, Yemen
10 - 14 Oct/2016	Rabat, Morocco	11	Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine (State of), Tunisia
31 Oct - 4 Nov/2016	Almaty, Kazakhstan	17	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova (the Republic of), Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan
24 - 29 Apr/2017	Bangkok, Thailand	16	Bangladesh, Bhutan, Bhutan, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam
6 - 23 Jun/2017	Wageningen, Netherlands	18	Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Costa Rica, Cuba, DRC, Egypt, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Mozambique, Nigeria, Paraguay, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Tanzania, Tunisia, Zambia
26 - 30 Jun/2017	Aguascalientes, Mexico	17	Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Saint Lucia, Suriname, The Bahamas, Trinidad and Tobago
3 - 7 Jul/2017	Nairobi, Kenya	31	Burkina Faso, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Benin, Rwanda, Gambia, Ghana, Ethiopia, Niger, Kenya, Cameroon, South Africa, Mozambique, Cabo Verde, Tanzania, Equatorial Guinea, Chad, DRC, Eswatini, Djibouti, Guinea, Botswana, Eritrea, Senegal, Togo
21 - 25 Aug/2017	Izmir, Turkey	17	Turkey
28 Aug - 1 Sep/2017	Montevideo, Uruguay	23	Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela
20 Jan - 24 Jan/2018	Tehran, Iran (Islamic Republic of)	32	Iran (Islamic Republic of)
25 Feb - 3 Mar/2018	Phnom Penh, Cambodia	15	Cambodia
10 - 17 Mar/2018	Sao Tome and Principe	10	Sao Tome and Principe
28 May - 1 Jun/2018	Santiago de Chile, Chile	21	Argentina, Chile, Uruguay
3 - 7 Jul/2018	Bogota, Colombia	18	Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela
22 - 26 Apr/2019	Yogyakarta, Indonesia	45	Indonesia

†These training courses were part of the GSP Capacity Development Programme and were organized before the launch of the GSOCmap project.

## 2.4 GSP-ISRIC Environmental covariates data repository

A set of standardized national environmental covariates for digital soil mapping were provided by ISRIC World Soil Information (Table 2.2). The data can be accessed through ftp, all necessary credentials have been provided to the countries. The provided data sets fall within the following thematic fields:

- geomorphometry i.e. digital elevation models and derived land surface parameters and objects;
- spectral and multispectral remote sensing imagery and derived parameters;
- climatic and meteorological covariates;
- land cover/ land use information;
- parent material and soil-unit maps.

This data repository contains GIS raster layers of various biophysical earth surface properties for each territory in the world. These layers can, for example, be used as covariates in a digital soil mapping exercise. The territories and their boundaries are obtained from the Global Administrative Unit Layers (GAUL) dataset <sup>1</sup>

Each folder contains three sub-folders:

- covs: GIS layers of various biophysical earth surface properties
- mask: an 'empty' grid file of the territory with territory boundary according to GAUL. This grid can for instance be used as a mapping mask.

Data Specifications

File format: GeoTiff

Coordinate system: WGS84, latitude-longitude in decimal degrees

Spatial resolution: 1km

Data Access: <https://files.isric.org/projects/gsp/> (user: gsp, pwd: gspisric)

Licence and Acknowledgement

The GIS layers can be freely used under the condition that proper credit should be given to the original data source in each publication or product derived from these layers. Licences, data sources, and data citations are indicated in the data description table.

Table 2.2: Layers prepared by ISRIC to be used as covariates in digital soil mapping

Name	Series	Attribute
DEMENV5	DEM-parameters	Land surface elevation
SLPMRG5	DEM-parameters	Terrain slope
CRVMRG5	DEM-parameters	Downslope Curvature
CRUMRG5	DEM-parameters	Local upslope Curvature

<sup>1</sup><http://www.fao.org/geonetwork/srv/en/metadata.show?id=12691>

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Name	Series	Attribute
CRDMRG5	DEM-parameters	Local downslope Curvature
VBFMRG5	DEM-parameters	Multiresolution Index of Valley Bottom Flatness
DVMMRG5	DEM-parameters	Deviation from Mean Value (surface roughness) x9
DV2MRG5	DEM-parameters	Deviation from Mean Value (surface roughness) x13
VDPMRG5	DEM-parameters	Valley depth
NEGMRG5	DEM-parameters	Negative Topographic Openness
POSMRG5	DEM-parameters	Positive Topographic Openness
MRNMRG5	DEM-parameters	Melton Ruggedness Number
TPIMRG5	DEM-parameters	Topographic Position Index
TWIMRG5	DEM-parameters	SAGA Wetness Index
EX1MOD5	MOD13Q1	Mean monthly MODIS EVI JanFeb
EX2MOD5	MOD13Q1	Mean monthly MODIS EVI MarApr
EX3MOD5	MOD13Q1	Mean monthly MODIS EVI MayJun
EX4MOD5	MOD13Q1	Mean monthly MODIS EVI JulAug
EX5MOD5	MOD13Q1	Mean monthly MODIS EVI SepOct
EX6MOD5	MOD13Q1	Mean monthly MODIS EVI NovDec
ES1MOD5	MOD13Q1	SD monthly MODIS EVI JanFeb
ES2MOD5	MOD13Q1	SD monthly MODIS EVI MarApr
ES3MOD5	MOD13Q1	SD monthly MODIS EVI MayJun
ES4MOD5	MOD13Q1	SD monthly MODIS EVI JulAug
ES5MOD5	MOD13Q1	SD monthly MODIS EVI SepOct
ES6MOD5	MOD13Q2	SD monthly MODIS EVI NovDec
I01MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Jan
I02MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Feb
I03MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Mar
I04MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Apr
I05MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 May
I06MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Jun
I07MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Jul
I08MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Aug
I09MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Sep
I10MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Oct
I11MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Nov
I12MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS NIR band 4 Dec
M01MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Jan
M02MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Feb
M03MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Mar
M04MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Apr
M05MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 May
M06MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Jun
M07MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Jul
M08MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Aug
M09MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Sep
M10MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Oct
M11MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Nov
M12MOD4	MCD43A4	Mean monthly MODIS MIR band 7 Dec
T01MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Jan

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Name	Series	Attribute
T02MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Feb
T03MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Mar
T04MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Apr
T05MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) May
T06MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Jun
T07MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Jul
T08MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Aug
T09MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Sep
T10MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Oct
T11MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Nov
T12MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Dec
N01MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Jan
N02MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Feb
N03MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Mar
N04MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Apr
N05MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) May
N06MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Jun
N07MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Jul
N08MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Aug
N09MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Sep
N10MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Oct
N11MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Nov
N12MOD3	MOD11A2	Mean monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Dec
T01MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Jan
T02MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Feb
T03MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Mar
T04MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Apr
T05MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) May
T06MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Jun
T07MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Jul
T08MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Aug
T09MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Sep
T10MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Oct
T11MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Nov
T12MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (daytime) Dec
N01MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Jan
N02MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Feb
N03MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Mar
N04MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Apr
N05MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) May
N06MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Jun
N07MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Jul
N08MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Aug
N09MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Sep
N10MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Oct
N11MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Nov
N12MSD3	MOD11A2	SD monthly MODIS LST (nighttime) Dec

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Name	Series	Attribute
TMDMOD3	MOD11A2	Mean annual LST (daytime) MODIS
TMNMOD3	MOD11A2	Mean annual LST (nighttime) MODIS
P01CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Jan
P02CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Feb
P03CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Mar
P04CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Apr
P05CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km May
P06CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Jun
P07CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Jul
P08CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Aug
P09CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Sep
P10CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Oct
P11CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Nov
P12CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean monthly precipitation at 1 km Dec
PRSCHE3	Global precipitation	Total annual precipitation at 1 km
B02CHE3	Global precipitation	Mean diurnal range at 1 km
B04CHE3	Global precipitation	Temperature seasonality at 1 km
B07CHE3	Global precipitation	Temperature Annual Range at 1 km
B13CHE3	Global precipitation	Precipitation of wettest month [mm]
B14CHE3	Global precipitation	Precipitation of driest month [mm] at 1 km
F01USG5	Global Ecophysiology	Landform class: Breaks/Foothills
F02USG5	Global Ecophysiology	Landform class: Flat Plains
F03USG5	Global Ecophysiology	Landform class: High Mountains/Deep Canyons
F04USG5	Global Ecophysiology	Landform class: Hills
F05USG5	Global Ecophysiology	Landform class: Low Hills
F06USG5	Global Ecophysiology	Landform class: Low Mountains
F07USG5	Global Ecophysiology	Landform class: Smooth Plains
VW1MOD1	MOD05_L2	Monthly MODIS Precipitable Water Vapor JanFeb
VW2MOD1	MOD05_L2	Monthly MODIS Precipitable Water Vapor MarApr
VW3MOD1	MOD05_L2	Monthly MODIS Precipitable Water Vapor MayJun
VW4MOD1	MOD05_L2	Monthly MODIS Precipitable Water Vapor JulAug
VW5MOD1	MOD05_L2	Monthly MODIS Precipitable Water Vapor SepOct
VW6MOD1	MOD05_L2	Monthly MODIS Precipitable Water Vapor NovDec
QUAUEA3	USGS Earthquake Archives	Density of earthquakes (5+)
LCEE10	ESA land cover	ESA land cover map 2010
MANMCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean annual cloud cover
C01MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Jan
C02MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Feb
C03MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Mar
C04MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Apr
C05MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover May
C06MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Jun
C07MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Jul
C08MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Aug
C09MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Sep
C10MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Oct
C11MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Nov

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Name	Series	Attribute
C12MCF5	EarthEnv MODCF	Mean monthly cloud cover Dec
RANENV3	EarthEnv Global	Range MODIS EVI
	Habitat Heterogeneity	
MAXENV3	EarthEnv Global	Maximum MODIS EVI
	Habitat Heterogeneity	
EVEENV3	EarthEnv Global	Evenness of MODIS EVI
	Habitat Heterogeneity	
ENTENV3	EarthEnv Global	Entropy MODIS
	Habitat Heterogeneity	
REDL00	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 3 (red) for year 2000
NIRL00	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 4 (NIR) for year 2000
SW1L00	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 5 (SWIR) for year 2000
SW2L00	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 7 (SWIR) for year 2000
REDL14	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 3 (red) for year 2014
NIRL14	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 4 (NIR) for year 2014
SW1L14	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 5 (SWIR) for year 2014
SW2L14	Global Forest Change	Landsat Band 7 (SWIR) for year 2014
OCCGSW7	Global Surface Water	Occurrence probability
CHAGSW7	Global Surface Water	Surface water change
EXTGSW7	Global Surface Water	Global surface water maximum extent
BARL10	30 Meter Global Land Cover	Global 30m Bare Ground
TREL10	31 Meter Global Land Cover	Global 30m Tree Cover
S03ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m Mar
S04ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m Apr
S05ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m May
S06ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m Jun
S07ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m Jul
S08ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m Aug
S09ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m Sep
S10ESA4	ESACCI	Mean monthly snowfall prob. at 500 m Oct

## Chapter 3

# Product Specifications

### 3.1 Generic target specification

A global layer of harmonized national soil carbon stock maps has been developed according to the following specification:

- grid at 30 arc-seconds resolution (approximately 1 x 1 km): generic grid has been provided by ISRIC World Soil Information;
- various SOC analysis methods and measurements are acceptable;
- 0-30 cm depth, including national increments and/or higher (deeper) depths where applicable;
- SOC stock [t/ha]: bulk density (BD) [kg/m<sup>3</sup>] and stone content [%] can be estimated or measured;
- Mapping/upscaling: various approaches possible (including country-specific stratification and custom resolution finer than 1x1 km).

More information about the product specification can be accessed at [FAO - GSP \(2017\)](#).

### 3.2 Metadata specifications

In order to ensure that the national layers metadata would be sufficient for quality assessment and possible harmonization, the countries were required to share information about their original data according to the following principles:

1. Share auxiliary information about the national data sources, e.g. type of sampling (soil profile or auger), density of sampling points in the country, sampling design (distribution and sampling depth/s), time of sampling (year), selection criteria (if subset of soil profiles is selected from a larger national database).
2. Provide as much metadata as possible in order to estimate the quality of the global SOC map. For example, SOC method(s) of analysis.
3. Share metadata about SOC stocks calculation in terms of:



Table 3.1: GSOCmap components

Product	Depth	Description
Map of Global SOC stocks 1 km resolution	0-30 cm depth (mandatory)  Forests (optional): Litter layer  Peat (optional): 30 cm peat depth (<100 cm - optional)	- Depth class 0-30 cm: in addition, subdivisions in thinner depth slices, or extensions beyond 30 cm depth are acceptable, depending on national sampling strategies and available data. - In the case of forests, the litter layer may be included if national data allow. There are two options: 1. A separate model/map for the forest floor organic layer (L, F and H) is produced, and later added to the national SOC stocks 0-30 cm. 2. Forest floor carbon stocks are modeled jointly with the mineral SOC stocks 0-30. - Peat: 0-30 cm is the mandatory mapping depth; a second layer with SOC stocks between 30 cm and up to 1 m depending on peat depth is recommended - Calculation of C stocks requires data about the SOC concentration, bulk density and for non-organic soils - stone content.
Uncertainties	Qualitative assessment Quantitative assessment, e.g. standard deviation	Based on reported metadata and documentation. If digital soil mapping is used, the spatial prediction error can be quantified depending on the density of soil profiles/samples

- describing how SOC stocks for the target depth 0-30 cm have been calculated; if there are any deviations from this specification, provide an explanation;
- quantifying the amount of carbon stored in litter (organic layer of forest floors);
- if data allow, stratifying the national soil databases according to organic (peat) and inorganic soils, and estimate the SOC stock for peat soils to 1 m depth;
- providing a description of the method used for bulk density measurements or estimations;
- providing a description of the method used for coarse fragments measurements or estimations.

4. Share details about the upscaling approach:

- mapping method (description, citation);
- input data/covariates, grid, soil maps, etc.;

5. In order to consider the temporal dimension of the SOC map, it is important to share the sampling date as metadata. If the national data situation allows, pre- 1990 or post-1990 sub data sets might be defined. However, it will be an important asset of this SOC map to demonstrate the density of existing soil carbon data sets. The more data points are used, the better the reliability and accuracy of the global product. Subsequent steps to improve the temporal dimension, will be considered at a later stage.

## Chapter 4

# Data collection and processing

### 4.1 Different scenarios of country-driven action

The GSP Secretariat facilitated the process where countries were asked to deliver the following data and information;

- National Soil Organic Carbon Stock Map
- Uncertainty Assessment a) Qualitative assessment (Conventional Mapping) and/or b) Quantitative (Digital Soil mapping)
- Metadata: The data shared by the countries are extensively documented to enable quality and uncertainty assessments. This will allow insights into the quality of the SOC maps, remaining gaps and harmonization needs. Countries were required to provide detailed meta-data documented in the GSOCmap Guidelines (FAO - GSP, 2017).
- One-page-report: A brief report describes the current status of the national SOC data, data collection, preparation and harmonization efforts, selection of the method(s), challenges and assessment of the results.

The GSP Secretariat organized the data collection depending on national capacities, data availability/usability (Fig. 4.1):

- Country Submissions: countries produced and delivered their GSOCmap contributions to the GSP Secretariat.
- Joint Efforts: the GSP Secretariat worked with the soil experts from the member countries to produce their GSOCmap contributions.
- GSP gapfilling: the Secretariat produced or used publicly available point or raster data for the countries that were not able to contribute to the current version of the product.

#### 4.1.1 Delivery of the maps produced by the countries

The GSP Secretariat contacted countries about their potential contributions to the GSOCmap project and informed countries about the process and the procedure.

Countries already having national SOC maps that meet the specifications of this project, shared their data with the GSP Secretariat. If a national SOC map exists, and if not all requirements

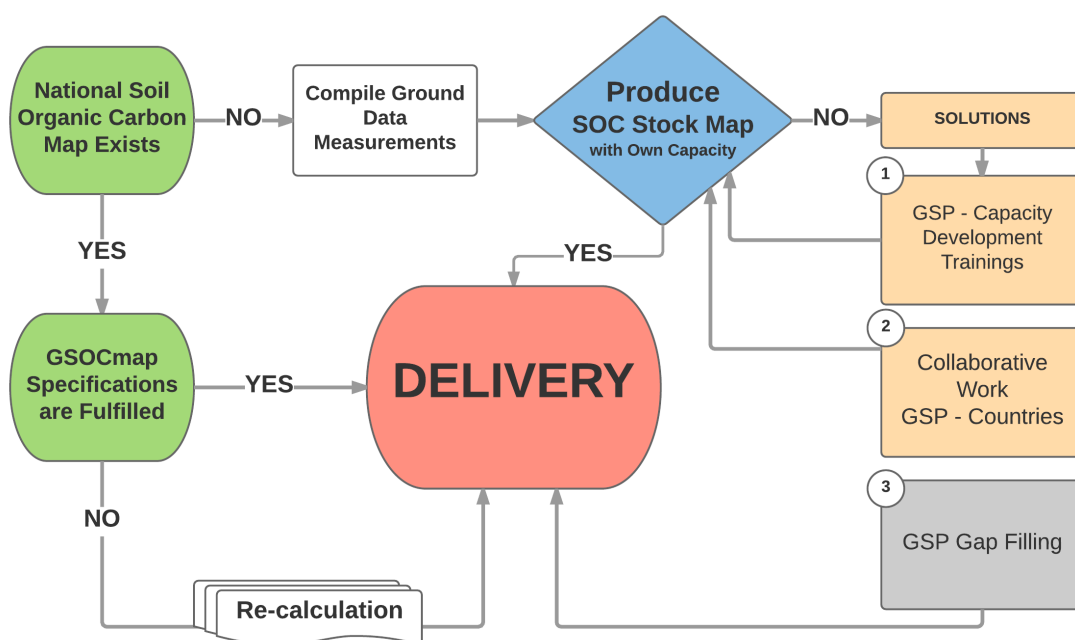


Figure 4.1: Country-driven action depending on national capacity

were met, adjustments to the existing SOC map were implemented (e.g. recalculation according to target depth).

Countries which did not yet have a national SOC map, developed such a map based on the specifications. Where needed, the GSP Secretariat supported such national activities by organising training sessions.

Upon receiving the national maps, the GSP Secretariat undertook the preliminary data quality checks. Whenever the national maps were inconsistent with the GSOC specifications, the GSP Secretariat worked in close collaboration with the institutions that provided the national data to resolve the existing issues.

76 countries submitted their maps as a contribution to the GSOCmap. This represents 65 percent of the world area (Table 4.1).

### Data submission form

To deliver their data, countries were required to use the online data submission tool. The tool realized a guided delivery process which required the submitter to upload the map along with a 1-page report, and to answer questions about the methodology according to the metadata specifications. The questionnaire can be found in Annex B.

This questionnaire and the report were used to create the country-specific metadata for the map. A summary of this data can be found in Annex A and chapter 5.

### 4.1.2 Joint efforts

If the in-country development of a SOC map was not possible due to insufficient capacity, the original SOC measurements were shared with the GSP secretariat which would then execute the mapping in close cooperation with the national GSP-focal points and/or institutional data providers.

For the mapping, the GSP Secretariat used state-of-the-art digital soil mapping techniques and publicly available layers of environmental covariates (ISRIC, ftp service). The data were then evaluated by the national experts who made the final decision regarding the results of the joint mapping procedure and the final submission of the map. 8 country maps were prepared with joint efforts between the GSP and the countries (Table 4.1).

### 4.1.3 GSP gapfilling

For the countries that could not provide a SOC map or any original measurements, the GSP Secretariat used one of the two gap-filling approaches: spatial modeling using publicly available data or, in the case of absence or insufficient amount of data, using publicly available SOC stock maps.

The gap filling procedure involved producing maps for 123 countries. 75 country maps (25.6 percent of the world area) were done using available data; and 47 country maps (1.4 percent of the world area) were filled using external datasets (e.g. `soilgrids.org` data).

Table 4.1: Sources of the country maps included in the GSOCmap v1

Contribution	n	Area (km2)	Percent of world area
Country submission	75	86527239	65.2
Joint Effort with GSP	14	10320887	7.8
GSP Gap-Filling	75	33954491	25.6
External dataset: <code>soilgrids.org</code>	47	1847959	1.4

### Spatial modeling using publicly available data

For the countries where publicly available data of SOC measurements were sufficient for SOC mapping, the GSP Secretariat used digital soil mapping techniques to create the maps. The following data sources used for this purpose:

- WOSIS (Batjes *et al.*, 2017);
- LUCAS soil (European Union - EU27) (Toth *et al.*, 2013);
- AfSIS (Africa Soil Information Service) (Walsh, M.G. *et al.*, 2009).

Publicly available layers of environmental covariates (`WorldGrids.org` currently available at <https://zenodo.org/record/1637816#.XP4tXogzbIU> and <https://github.com/Envirometrix/LandGISmaps#Relief-and-geology>) were used for the spatial modeling. Example scripts similar to the ones used by the GSP for building these maps can be found in Annex D.

### Using publicly available SOC stock maps

For the countries lacking any publicly available data of SOC measurements (around 1.4 percent of the global coverage), the maps were produced using SoilGrids 250m product (Hengl *et al.*, 2017) resampled according to the GSOC specifications.

## 4.2 Data processing and compilation of the GSOCmap

In order to compile a Global Soil Organic Carbon Map from the national contributions, the GSP Secretariat conducted basic data processing aimed to standardize the individual layers with minimal or no changes to the data provided by the countries. The processing steps included:

- reprojecting data to coordinate system lon/lat WGS84 with spatial resolution of 30 arc second using ‘nearest neighbour’ method (where necessary);
- resampling the data to 30 arcsec grid resolution using bilinear interpolation (in case the cell size of the original data was different);
- converting SOC stock values to tonnes/ha (where necessary);
- mosaicking individual maps of the countries to acquire the global layer using ‘nearest neighbour’ method for resampling;
- filling NoData values at national borderlines (in case the countries didn’t use suggested empty grids) using GDAL gapfilling algorithm which interpolates values for all designated NoData pixels using inverse distance weighting and a four direction conic search to find values to interpolate from; a mask compiled from a 5-km buffer around country borders (excluding water bodies and coastlines) was used as a gap-filling procedure in order to make sure that only border gaps are filled and the NoData values provided by countries because of lack of information are preserved;
- applying a global mask of water bodies (World Water Bodies - Esri, Garmin International).

## Chapter 5

# Metadata

The GSOCmap is a compilation of soil organic carbon stock maps produced by the countries in accordance with the GSOCmap Guidelines (FAO - GSP, 2017). The total number of profiles/sampling locations used to create the global product is: 1 079 617. The number of sampling plots was calculated from the meta-data provided by the member countries.

### 5.1 Sampling density

The metadata allows to assess the density of sampling points per country as shown in figure 5.1. It varies greatly and reflects the differences in the soil data coverage between countries and regions. This information can be used as an assessment of the current status of the available soil information in the world and to identify the regions where additional sampling is most needed.

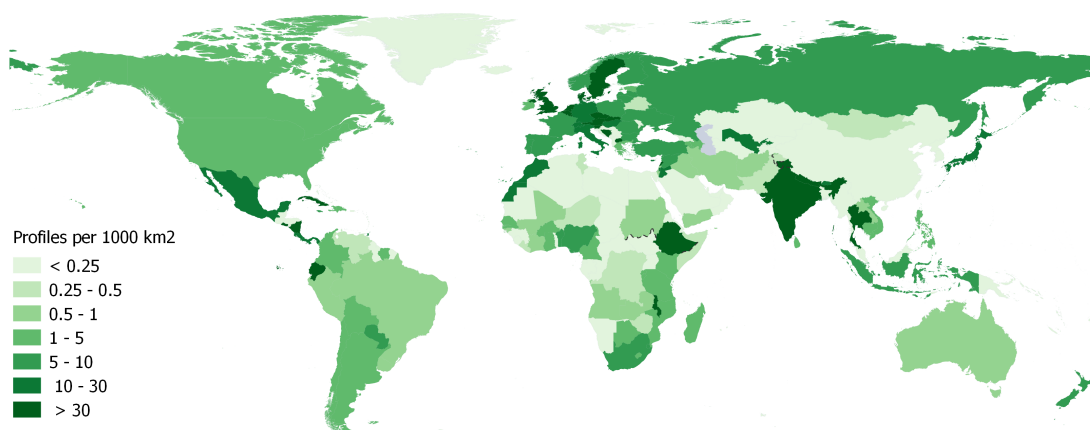


Figure 5.1: Density of point data (per country). Map conforms to United Nations World map, February 2020

However, aggregation of the data at the country level does not allow to accurately represent the sampling density in case of uneven distribution.

## 5.2 Temporal dimension

The metadata on the period of sampling was analyzed against the suggested baseline date 1990. 11 percent of the countries did not provide information about the temporal dimension. Besides, data about the temporal dimension for the 25 percent of the countries with data from external datasets, like [soilgrids.org](https://soilgrids.org), were not available. The other 65 percent is divided: 15 percent with data from before 1990; 25 percent with a mix of data before and after 1990 and only 25 percent with all the data surveyed after 1990.

The results show that most countries had to include observations from before 1990 to develop a dataset representing all their territory (Fig. 5.2). This means that the GSOCmap can be used as a baseline for SOC monitoring only for the countries with all the submitted data originating from recent soil surveys. However, the GSOCmap can be viewed as a baseline map, as it contains the best available estimation of SOC at the country level (see Validation and comparison with existing products), making it an important tool for identifying SOC deficient areas within the countries and subsequently for planning the soil-protecting, sampling and monitoring activities.

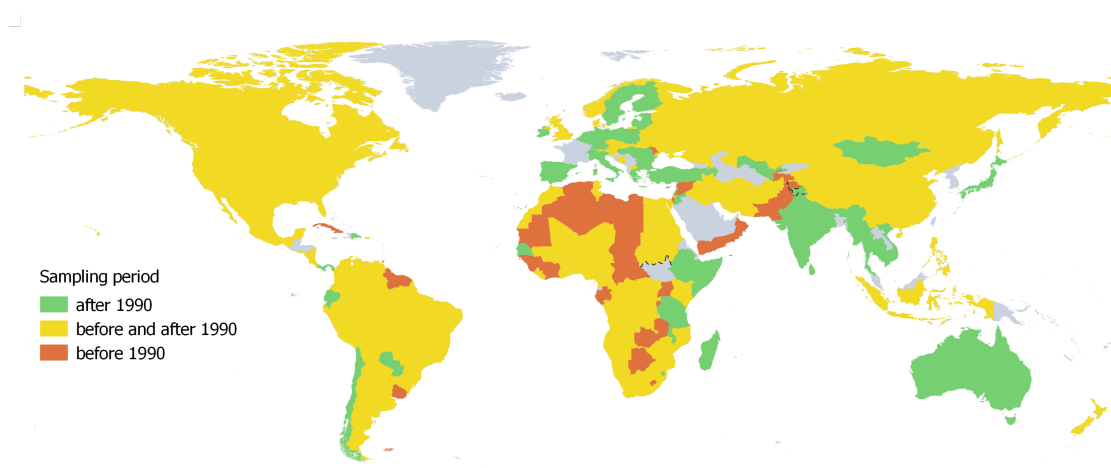


Figure 5.2: Sampling period. Map conforms to United Nations World map, February 2020

## 5.3 Soil organic carbon

Concerning the SOC analysis method, 42 percent of the countries used wet oxidation, and 14 percent used dry combustion. The number of countries using soil spectroscopy is less than 1 percent.

The metadata shows differences in the methods used throughout the world for determining SOC (Fig. 5.3). This is valuable information for investigating the possibility of further harmonization of national data. One of the known issues is the difference in measured carbon values between Ethiopia and the surrounding countries, which could be caused by the difference in SOC analysis method since Ethiopia was the only country to use soil spectroscopy measurements as its primary data source.

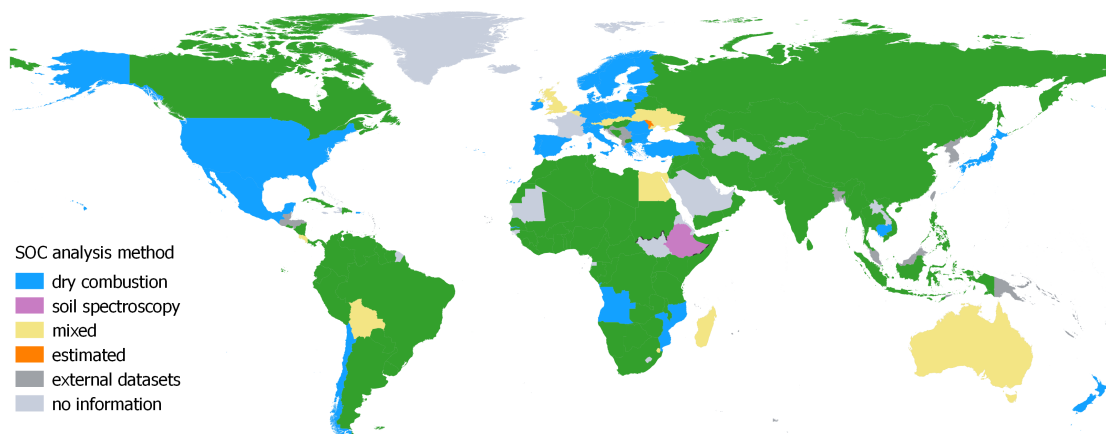


Figure 5.3: SOC analysis methods. Map conforms to United Nations World map, February 2020

## 5.4 Bulk density

Measurements of bulk density were not available in many countries, thus different strategies were used to overcome this limitation (Fig. 5.4).

1. Using nationally developed pedotransfer functions
2. Using pedotransfer functions suggested in the cookbook manual
3. Using the values from publicly available data-sets (such as Harmonized World Soil Database (FAO *et al.*, 2012) and SoilGrids (Hengl *et al.*, 2017))

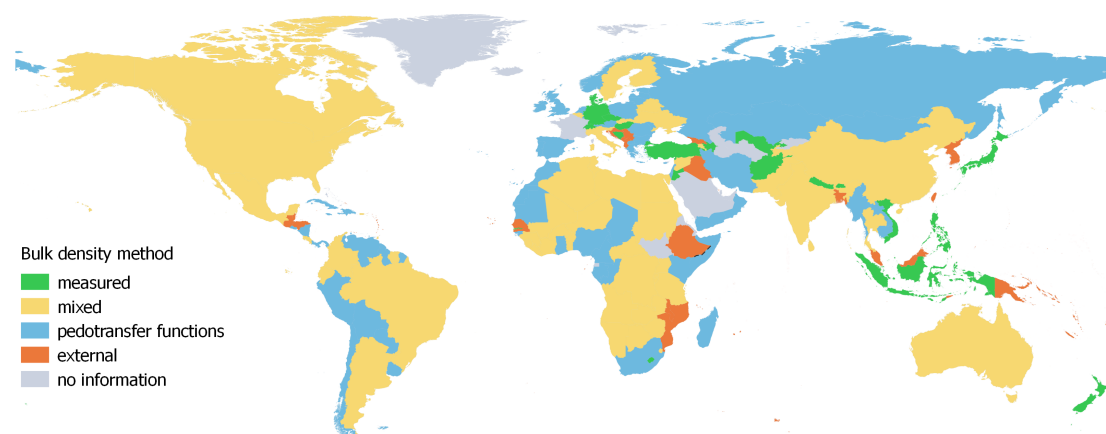


Figure 5.4: Bulk density analysis methods. Map conforms to United Nations World map, February 2020

Only 8 percent of the countries used only measured bulk density data to estimate the Organic Carbon Stock. 27 percent submitted measured values for some profiles, but had to use pedo-



transfer functions for others. 28 percent relied only on pedotransfer functions. And external datasets like soilgrids.org or the HWSO were used for 28 percent of the countries. 9 percent of the countries did not provide information about the source of their bulk density data.

The estimation of bulk density is a potential source of high uncertainty in the calculation of carbon stocks, especially in soils with high stoniness (Poeplau *et al.*, 2017). According to our findings, more than 55 percent of the countries used pedotransfer functions, but only 25 percent used locally fitted pedotransfer functions. With a high percentage of countries using the pedotransfer functions suggested in (Yigini *et al.*, 2018).

## 5.5 Coarse fragments

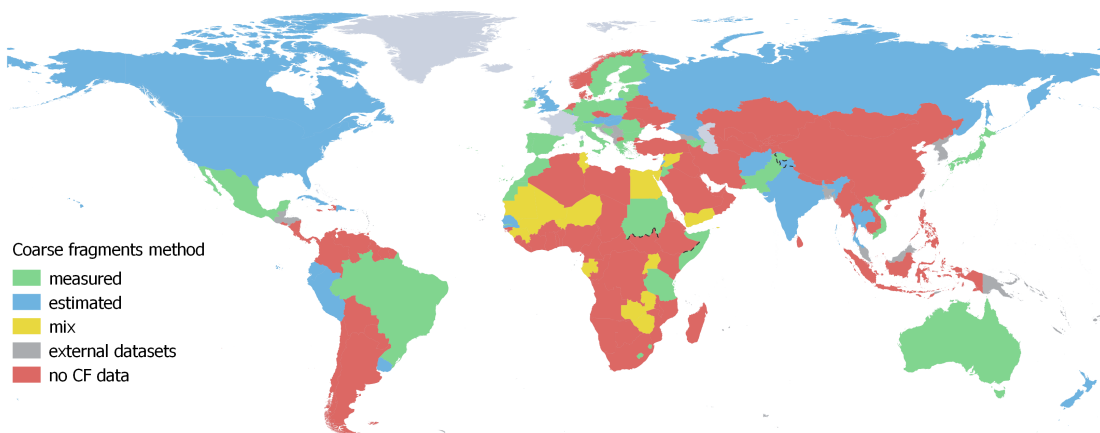


Figure 5.5: Coarse fragments methods. Map conforms to United Nations World map, February 2020

The metadata show that the majority of the countries had limited data on the coarse fragment content which could be a source of uncertainty in the calculation of organic carbon stocks, especially in mountainous areas (Fig. 5.5). Only 17 percent of the countries had measured data for the amount of coarse fragments. 10 percent used estimated values and 7 percent used a mix between estimated and measured values. Almost 40 percent of the countries did not use any information about the coarse fragments fraction for the organic carbon stock estimation.

## 5.6 Mapping methods

Various mapping methods were used by the countries depending on the capacity, data availability, and the specific features of the local soil cover, including but not limited to:

- conventional Upscaling: geo-matching, class-matching;
- digital soil mapping methods: multiple linear regression, regression kriging, multivariate adaptive regression splines, generalized linear models, generalized additive models, etc.;

- machine learning techniques: random forest, support vector machine, neural networks, regression trees, Bayesian trees, etc.;
- ensemble models combining different DSM methods;
- geostatistical methods: ordinary kriging, inverse distance weighting.

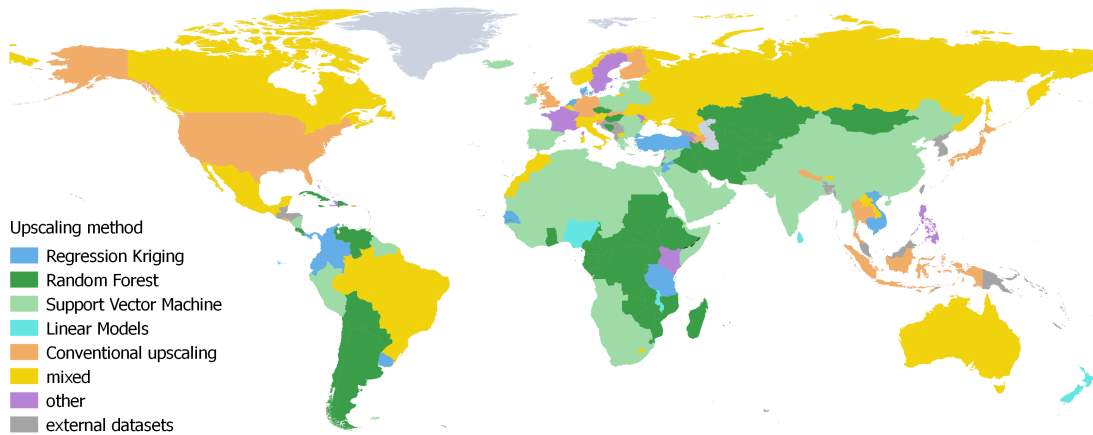


Figure 5.6: Mapping methods. Map conforms to United Nations World map, February 2020

Figure 5.6 shows that most countries (66 percent) were able to use the state-of-the-art digital soil mapping techniques which demonstrates the overall success of the capacity building program undertaken by the FAO/GSP. Only 7 percent of the countries used conventional upscaling.

The heterogeneity of the mapping techniques could be one of the sources of uncertainty and ‘border effects’ between national products. However, the map shows that the difference in mapping methods is not the primary source of border inconsistency. As shown in the Figure 5.7, in many cases, the maps produced with different mapping methods have comparable values and form a continuous surface of organic carbon distribution with acceptable differences. Besides, there is no best mapping method for digital soil mapping, and testing and selection has to be done for every data scenario (Guevara *et al.*, 2018).

The primary source of uncertainty and border inconsistencies appears to be in the original point data quality and representativity. The difference at the borders between the countries occurs when the adjacent region is not covered with soil sampling data and the values are extrapolated using a model from a different area or assigned on the basis of expert knowledge. Therefore, it is suggested that the work on improving the global consistency should be primarily focused on acquiring additional data in the under sampled regions and capacity development aimed at ensuring that an appropriate mapping method was used based on the data distribution and representativity.

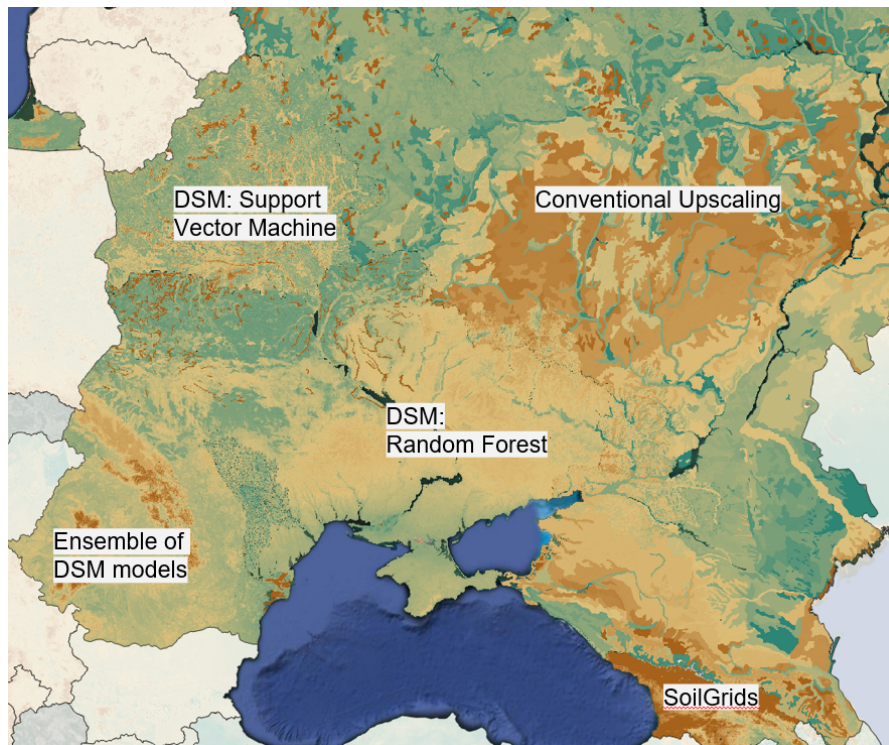


Figure 5.7: Fragment of the GSOCmap with different techniques used for mapping at country level

## Chapter 6

# Results

### 6.1 Total global soil organic carbon Stock

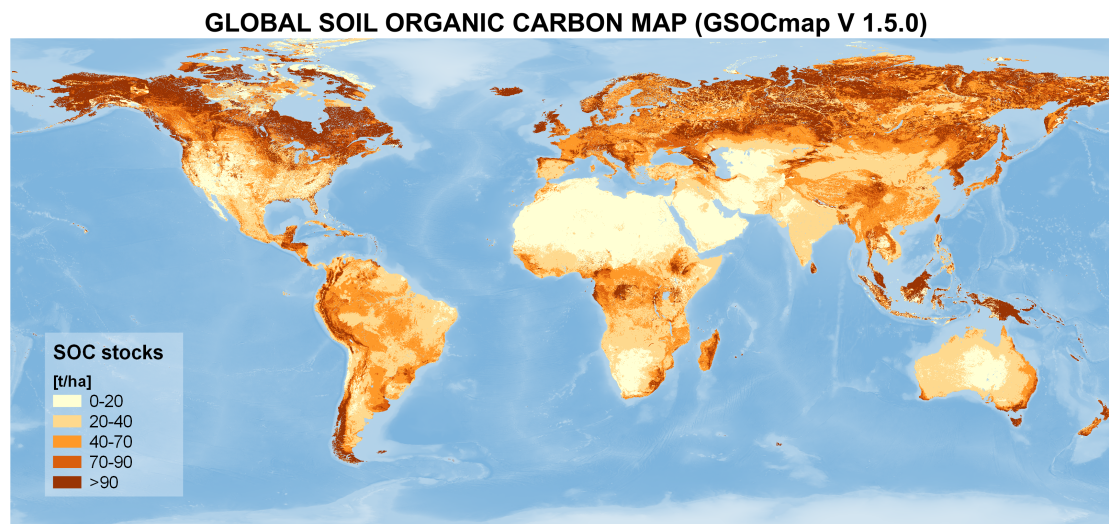


Figure 6.1: GSOCmap version 1.5.0

Global soil organic carbon stock for topsoil (0 to 30 cm) is **694** Petagrams. This value is 0.7 percent lower than the value for the HWSDa (Köchy *et al.*, 2015) (Table 6.1).

Table 6.1: Summary of estimates of global SOC stocks in topsoil in Pg from different sources

GSOCmap	HWSD	HWSDa	FAO2007	WISE	DSMW	soilgrids 250m
694	967	699	710	504	574	1267

The global figure has been calculated using the pseudo cylindrical Mollweide projection (1km) that preserves area measures. Mollweide projection was created by Karl B. Mollweide in 1805. It is an equal-area projection designed for small-scale maps. Figure 6.2 shows that the distortion

is minimal with the Mollweide projection.

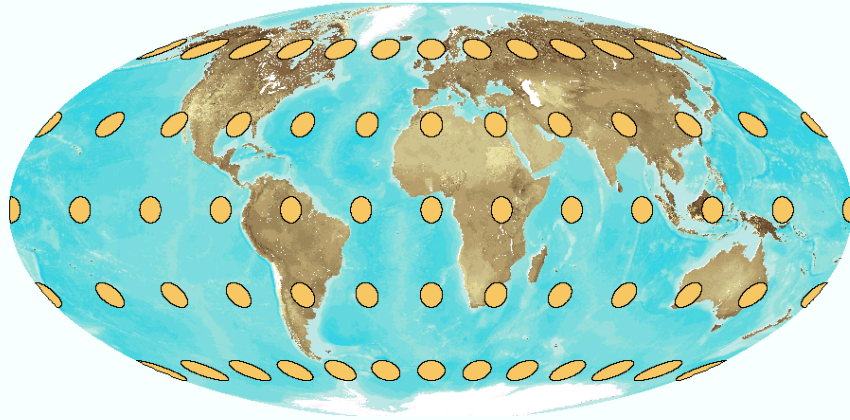


Figure 6.2: Tissot's indicatrices with the Mollweide projection

### 6.1.1 Statistics for countries (GSOCmap V.1.5.0)

Statistics for the countries were calculated based on the Global Administrative Units layer as the source for country boundaries. Over 70 percent of the global SOC stocks at 30cm is held by 14 countries: the Russian Federation, Canada, the United States of America, China, Brazil, Indonesia, Australia, Argentina, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kazakhstan, Papua New Guinea, India and Mongolia (Table 6.2). Among these countries, Papua New Guinea and Indonesia have the highest mean SOC stocks (183.7 and 121.4 t/ha respectively) indicating a high concentration of carbon stocks in the tropical part of South-East Asia and Pacific.

Table 6.2: Top 14 countries with highest total SOC stocks according to the GSOCmap v.1.5.0

Country	SOC [Pg]	Mean SOC [t/ha]	Global stock [%]
Russian Federation	147.9	90.5	21.3
Canada	80.2	92.5	11.6
United States of America	54.4	59.3	7.8
China	45.2	48.7	6.5
Brazil	35.4	42	5.1
Indonesia	22.6	121.4	3.3
Australia	22.6	29.5	3.3
Argentina	13.9	50.2	2
Democratic Republic of the Congo	12.4	53.7	1.8
Kazakhstan	12	45	1.7
Peru	10.1	78.2	1.5
Papua New Guinea	8.5	183.7	1.2
India	8.2	26.3	1.2
Mongolia	8.2	52.6	1.2

### 6.1.2 Statistics for climate zones, land use and soil types

To estimate the relationship between SOC and climate, the result layer was spatially intersected with the IPCC, 2006 climate regions layer. The zones are defined by a set of rules based on annual mean daily temperature, total annual precipitation, total annual Potential Evapotranspiration (PET) and elevation. The largest carbon pool is located in the boreal moist zone followed by the Cool Temperate Moist zone (Table 6.3). To show the relation between below ground and above ground Organic Carbon stocks, SOC stocks per IPCC climate region were compared to above ground Organic carbon stocks derived from Ruesch and Gibbs (2008) (Figure 6.3).

Table 6.3: SOC stocks per IPCC climate regions

IPCC Climate Region	Mean SOC [t/ha]	SOC stock [Pg]	Global stock [%]
Boreal Moist	98.8	130.5	21.3
Cool Temperate Moist	87.6	98.8	11.6
Tropical Moist	46.8	80.4	7.8
Tropical Wet	72	66.2	6.5
Tropical Dry	21.7	63.1	5.1
Cool Temperate Dry	51.3	62.9	3.3
Warm Temperate Dry	34	42.4	3.3
Polar Moist	77.3	41	2
Warm Temperate Moist	63.5	35.4	1.8
Boreal Dry	89.4	33.1	1.7
Tropical Montane	42.2	30.8	1.5
Polar Dry	70	9.5	1.2

The same approach was used to compare the GSOCmap to land cover data. The land covers were based on is the reclassified GlobCover 2009 map (Arino *et al.*, 2010). The following land cover classes were considered: Cropland, Forest, Grassland, Wetland and Other and reclassified from the from the Globcover classes (Table 6.4). The greatest share of SOC is found within Forests (298.8 Pg, 43.1 percent) followed by Grasslands (179.4 Pg, 25.9 percent) and Croplands (143.4 Pg, 20.7 percent). The greatest mean SOC stocks in t/ha are found in Wetlands with 95.4 t/ha.

Table 6.4: SOC stocks per Land cover type based on GlobCover 2009

Land Cover	Mean SOC [t/ha]	SOC stock [Pg]	Global Share [%]
Forest	70.6	298.8	43.1
Grassland	52.8	179.4	25.9
Cropland	51.6	143.4	20.7
Other	21.5	47.6	6.9
Wetland	95.4	23.6	3.4

The relationship with soil types was explored using the Harmonized World Soil Database (HWSD) (FAO/IIASA/ISRIC/ISSCAS/JRC, 2012). The HWSD is a 30 arc-second raster database with over 16,000 different soil mapping units that combines existing regional and national updates of soil information worldwide (SOTER, ESD, Soil Map of China, WISE) with the information contained within the 1:5,000,000 scale FAO-UNESCO Soil Map of the World (FAO, 1971-1981). Although the soils richest in organic carbon are Histosols, Gleysols, Andosols and Chernozems,



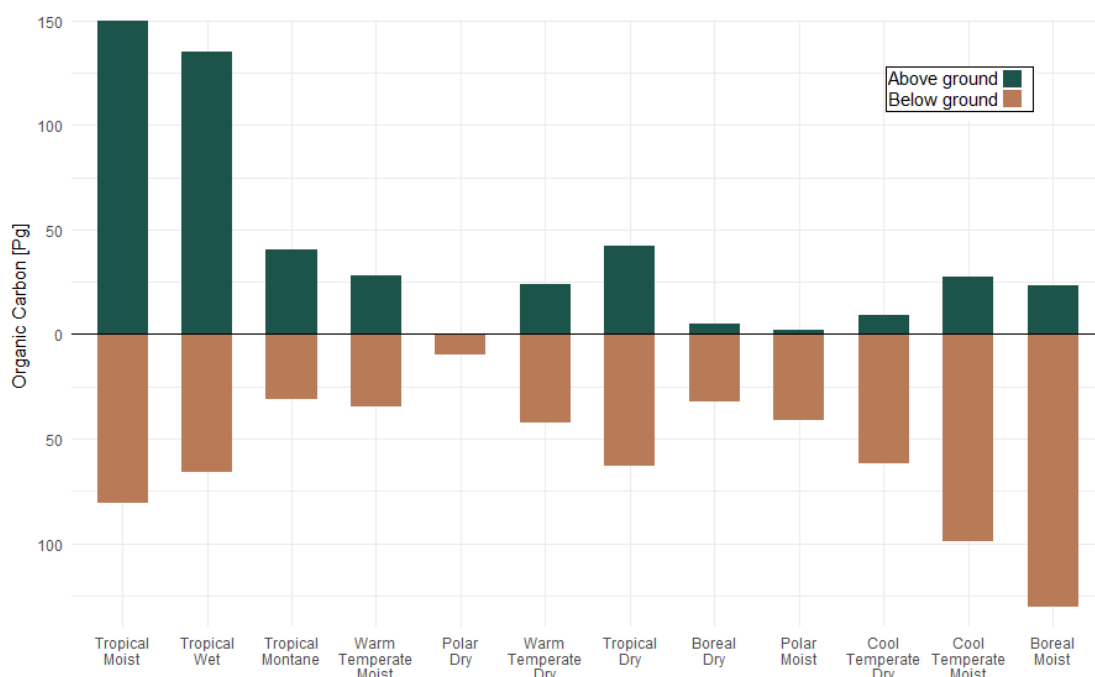


Figure 6.3: Soil organic carbon stocks per IPCC climatic regions calculated from the Global Soil Organic Carbon Map (GSOCmap) V 1.5.0 and above ground organic carbon from (Ruesch and Gibbs, 2008)

most of the carbon in the world is stored in Leptosols and Cambisols due to their larger area coverage (Table 6.5).

Table 6.5: Total SOC stocks (Pg) and mean SOC stocks (t/ha) per WRB soil types

Soil Type	Total SOC	Mean SOC	Soil Type	Total SOC	Mean SOC
Leptosols	80.8	51.3	Kastanozems	16.9	47.5
Cambisols	69.6	65.2	Podzoluvisols	15.9	67.5
Gleysols	61.2	100.8	Vertisols	9.5	31.1
Podzols	56.3	88.1	Lixisols	9.3	38.8
Acrisols	47.9	60.1	Andosols	8.6	91
Regosols	45	63.2	Solonetz	8.3	41
Ferralsols	40.2	49.1	Nitisols	7.9	54.4
Luvisols	36.5	45.1	Plinthosols	6.2	45.6
Histosols	35.3	138.7	Greyzems	5.2	79.7
Arenosols	24.7	25.7	Planosols	4.4	48
Calcisols	21.2	21.1	Gypsisols	3.1	24.4
Fluvisols	20.6	59.6	Solonchaks	2.6	20.8
Chernozems	19.7	89.6	Alisols	2.5	56.1
Phaeozems	18.2	62.2	Anthrosols	2.2	40.1

## 6.2 Validation, uncertainty and comparison with existing products

### 6.2.1 Validation of the GSOCmap using available data

The spatial distribution of soil organic carbon (SOC) represents one of the largest uncertainties in the carbon cycle (Figure 6.4). High resolution gridded data-sets of SOC are increasingly important for global modeling efforts and validation strategies (Jackson *et al.*, 2017). Validation experiments (e.g. across borders), the comparison of different approaches to predict soil carbon and the continuous calibration of country-specific-to- regional-to-global models are required to provide reliable estimates and enable the monitoring of SOC stocks.

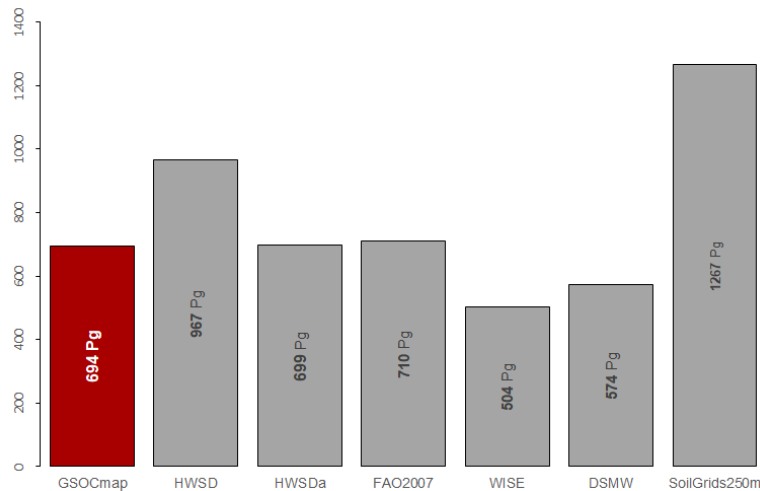


Figure 6.4: Comparison between the different estimates of Global SOC Stocks in topsoil

To compare and test different approaches (e.g. modeling and geo-matching), to map SOC stocks is relevant to reduce the current levels of uncertainty regarding the spatial variability and distribution of SOC, because they will work differently for the same objective. Using the same dataset, different approaches to map SOC will share bias derived from the quality of the data and the data characteristics that allow to meet modeling assumptions, or provide certainty to the soil mapper delineating a soil carbon polygon unit.

The validation of the map was done by comparison with available soil profile data and the existing global SOC products. First, a validation dataset was compiled from international publicly available datasets, in particular the International Soil Carbon Network (ISCN) (International Soil Carbon Network, 2014; Boby *et al.*, 2010; Bockheim *et al.*, 2010a, 2003; Buell *et al.*, 2004; Bockheim *et al.*, 2010b; Cole *et al.*; Harden *et al.*, 1999, 2012; Johnson *et al.*, 2011; Jorgenson *et al.*, 2009; Kane and Vogel, 2009; Kanevskiy *et al.*, 2012; Manies and Survey, 2004; Myers-Smith *et al.*, 2007; O'Donnell *et al.*, 2011; Ping and Liang, 2011; Tarnocai *et al.*, 2009; Trumbore *et al.*, 1999; Zinke *et al.*) including extensive data contributions to the ISCN from the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, National Cooperative Soil Survey (Soil Survey Staff, 2014); World Soil Information Service (WoSIS) (Batjes *et al.*, 2017), Soil Organic Carbon Stock Estimates with Uncertainty across Latin America (Guevara *et al.*, 2019), Latin America and the Caribbean's Soil Information System (SISLAC) (Alianza Mundial por el Suelo, 2013), the Northern Circumpolar



Soil Carbon Database(Hugelius *et al.*, 2013) and Soil Profile Analytical Database of Europe of Measured parameters (SPADE/M)(Hiederer *et al.*, 2006). From these databases only the profiles with measured SOC and bulk density values were selected, since these parameters are essential for calculating SOC stocks - 50708 points in total (Figure 6.5). Coarse fragments data were used in SOC stock calculations, where available.

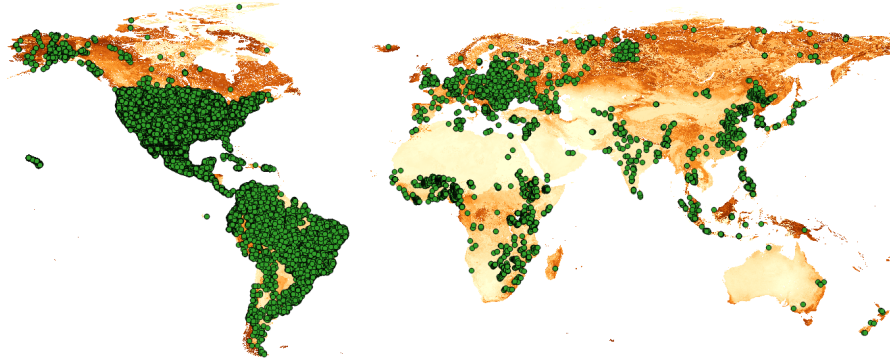


Figure 6.5: Locations of points in the validation dataset based on publicly available data

Mass preserving spline functions were applied to estimate the carbon content, bulk density and coarse fragments of a standardized horizon of 0 to 30 cm. Finally, the organic carbon stock was estimated using the GSIF R package. These values were compared with the values in the GSOCmap. The same dataset was used to compare validation results with 2 other global recent products of SOC, one derived from the Harmonized World Soil Database (HWSD), based on soil type polygon units (Köchy *et al.*, 2015) and a second product derived from the SoilGrids initiative based on machine learning and environmental correlation (Hengl *et al.*, 2017). The three SOC maps were re-sampled from their original resolution to a 1x1km grid and centered on the same spatial extent. This comparison allows to estimate the accuracy of the GSOCmap in relation to other global products and to ground measurements. The results of the validation analysis are shown in table (Table 6.6).

Table 6.6: Comparison of validation criteria between the three SOC products based on international publicly available datasets: FAC2 - fraction of predictions within a factor of two; MB - mean bias; MGE - mean gross error; NMB - normalized mean bias; NMGE - normalized mean gross error; RMSE - root mean squared error; IOA - index of agreement (Willmott *et al.*, 2012)

Map	FAC2	MB	MGE	NMB	NMGE	RMSE	IOA
GSOCmap	0.62	-0.39	35.07	-0.01	0.66	60.71	0.50
SoilGrids	0.47	31.12	48.76	0.59	0.92	67.88	0.30
HWSD	0.57	12.22	44.01	0.23	0.83	75.42	0.37

The result show that GSOCmap on average has lower error than other global products. Mean gross error (mean absolute error) for GSOCmap is around 35 t/ha, while other global products have error more than 40 t/ha. Root mean squared error is significantly higher than mean absolute error for all products which indicates the presence of a relatively small number of very high errors, most likely associated with organic soils. Global modeling approach of SoilGrids results

in the highest mean gross error, while polygon-derived HWSD has higher root mean squared error. However, GSOCmap shows lowest errors in both case which suggests that country-driven approach allows to minimize errors at the global scale. The FAC2 (that takes a value of 1 in a perfect model) indicates the fraction of predictions within a factor of 2 of the observed value. The FAC2 shows a better performance of the GSOCmap. Another important observation is that GSOCmap is almost unbiased (mean bias -0.39 t/ha) while HWSD and especially SoilGrids have significant positive bias (12.21 t/ha and 31.12 t/ha respectively).

To assess the overall quality of the model, Index of Agreement based on Willmott *et al.* (2012) was applied to all three global products. This index between -1 and +1 with values approaching +1 representing better model performance. GSOCmap showed the highest IOA performance among the three analyzed products with the score 0.5, which indicates that the sum of the error-magnitudes is one half of the sum of the observed-deviation magnitudes.

These results show that the GSOCmap country-driven approach allows to use much more data locally which helps to minimize errors and ensure better representativity of the map. However, since the publicly available datasets mostly cover North and South America and have large gaps in African and Eurasia, the validation dataset may be biased. Therefore, GSP started collecting national datasets that were not used for the development of the GSOCmap, for validation.

For the global comparisons, the analysis based on numerical confusion matrices derived at the pixel level on SAGA GIS (Conrad *et al.*, 2015). A confusion matrix is a specific table layout that allows visualization of the main changes from a reference map (initial state) to another (final state). Thus, it quantifies the absolute difference and the direction of change comparing the GSOCmap with the HWSD, the GSOCmap with SoilGrids and the HWSD with SoilGrids. A map of (positive and negative) changes is derived for each iteration (between the reference and the final state), where values close to 0 represent areas of high agreement between the two compared products.

It was found that there is a larger agreement between the GSOCmap and the HWSD than between the GSOCmap and the SoilGrids (Fig. 6.6A). While positive and negative changes from the GSOCmap to the HWSD are irregularly distributed, the changes from the GSOCmap to the SoilGrids products tend to be positive, suggesting a major carbon pool predicted by the machine learning approach (Fig. 6.6B). A similar pattern was found by analyzing the changes from the HWSD to the SoilGrids map (Fig. 6.6C).

These results are useful to identify and quantify differences among products that can be used to inform the development of future versions of country-specific and global SOC mapping efforts.

## 6.2.2 Uncertainty analysis

Uncertainty analysis aims at quantifying possible deviations of SOC stock estimation on the maps from the real values. SOC map uncertainties come from the soil sampling, measurements of soil properties, and mapping techniques.

Although the GSP Secretariat asked the countries to provide information about the uncertainty of their contributed maps, not many countries were able to provide it. Besides, the layers contributed from the countries which could deliver, were generated using different and not comparable methodologies. The different methodologies used included: confidence intervals for the SOC values; standard deviation from regression kriging; standard deviation from an ensemble of

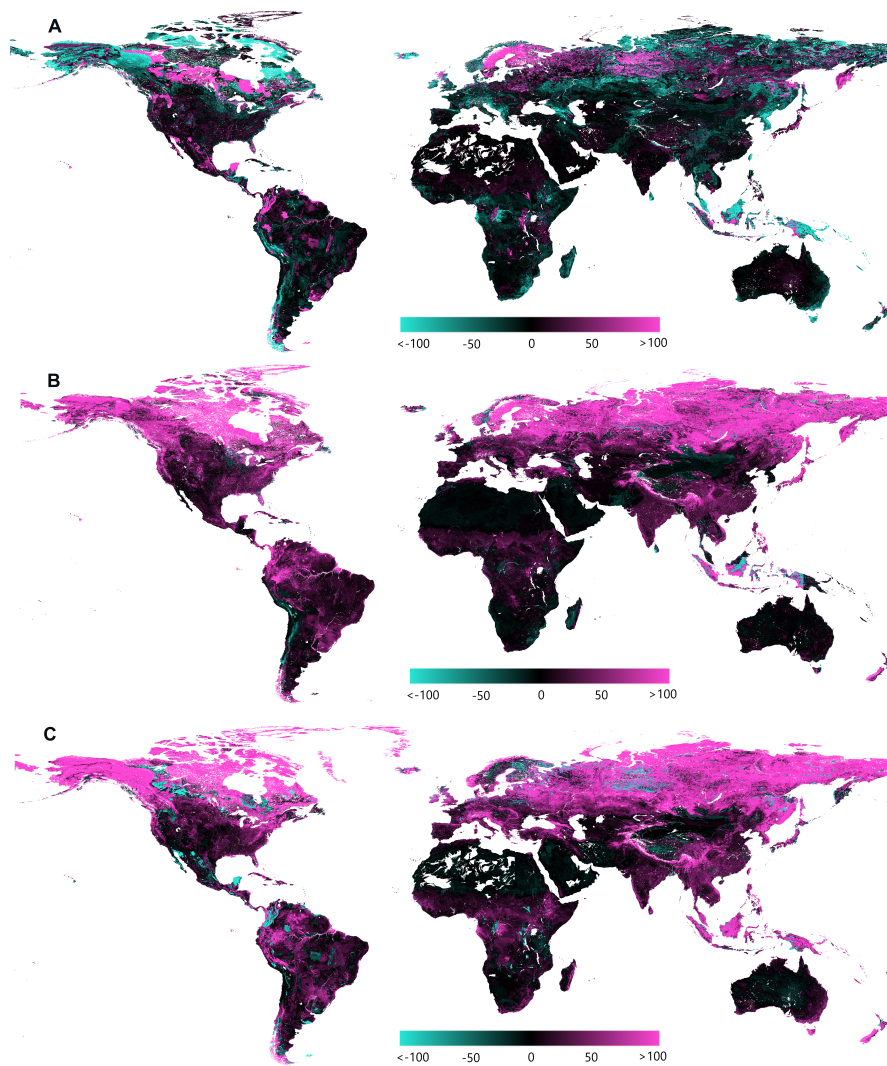


Figure 6.6: Change vector maps. Derived from a standardized confusion matrix, the map in A shows the changes from the GSOCmap to the HWSD, the map in B shows the changes from the GSOCmap to SoilGrids and the map in C we show the change from HWSD to SoilGrids.

different DSM models, and uncertainties as percentage based on expert knowledge. Therefore, a global approach for estimating uncertainties was required.

The uncertainty of the map was estimated by spatial comparison with all available SOC data. For this purpose, several available global, regional and national soil databases were merged, including WoSIS Soil Profile Database (Batjes *et al.*, 2017), LUCAS Soil Database (Toth *et al.*, 2013), Soil Information System for Latin American and the Caribbean (SISLAC) (Alianza Mundial por el Suelo, 2013), Northern Circumpolar Soil Carbon Database (Hugelius *et al.*, 2013), as well as national datasets provided by participating countries. This database of 276,028 points was used to calculate the residuals of the maps. The residuals were estimated as the difference between the measured and predicted values and expressed in percent of the predicted values by the GSOCmap. The current map presented in Fig. 6.7 is the result of the interpolation using ordinary kriging of the residuals. The map shows standard deviations in tonnes/ha.

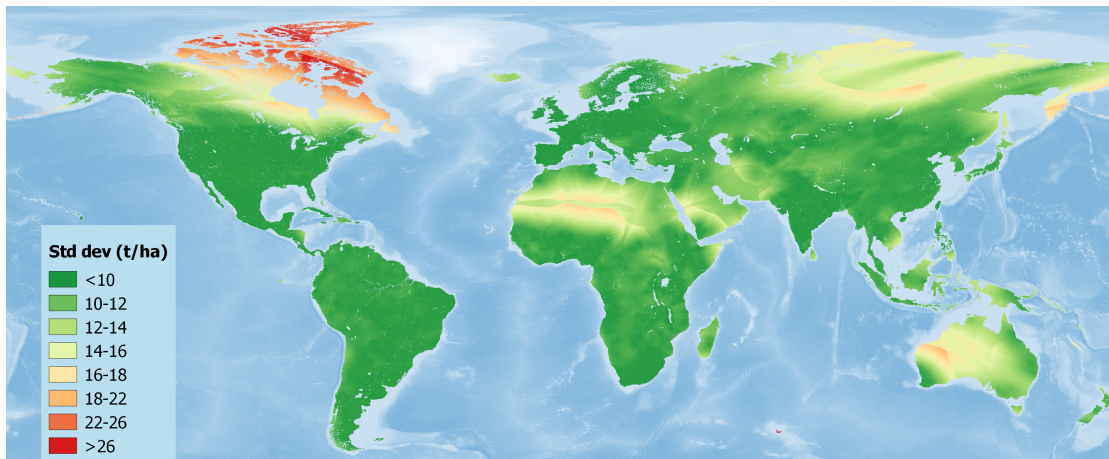


Figure 6.7: Map of standard deviations

The current assessment shows highest uncertainty values in the tropical desert and arctic desert areas, due to insufficient number of soil samples from these regions. The difference in uncertainties between the countries in non-desert areas is mainly associated with the density of soil sampling and with the choice of mapping techniques. Based on the map, the uncertainty of global SOC pool value is estimated as  $\pm 144$  Pg or around 20 percent.

The uncertainty layers provided by 22 countries (Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Panama, Russia, Venezuela, Viet Nam) can be requested from the data listed providers in Appedix A.

The global uncertainty assessment will be improved after improving the global validation dataset and receiving additional uncertainty maps delivered by the countries.

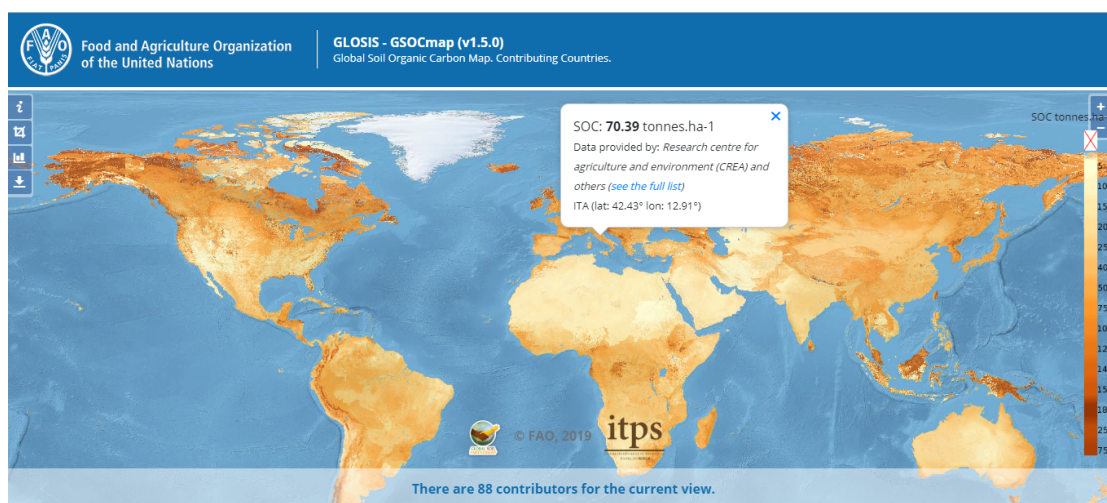


Figure 6.8: Accessing the GSOCmap on the web

### 6.3 GSOCmap web services

The GSOCmap web services portal is operational with basic functionality while GLOSIS portal is under development (Fig. 6.8). The map is available online with functionality allowing to view, query and download the data. It provides information about data sources acknowledging all organizations which contributed to the map (Fig. 6.9).

## GSOCMAP WEB SERVICES ARCHITECTURE

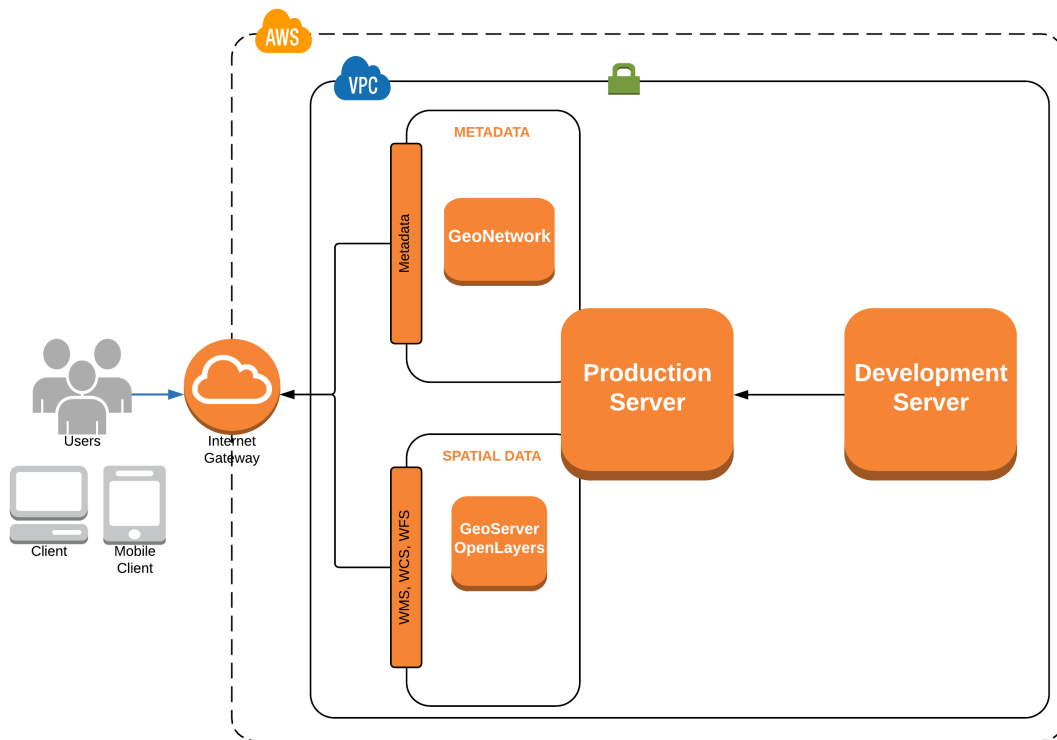


Figure 6.9: GSOCmap web services architecture



## Chapter 7

# Conclusions and the way forward

The GSOCmap is a product of global efforts made to bring together the existing knowledge about soil organic carbon from all over the world. The map is currently based on more than 1 million profiles, most of the area is covered by original maps produced by the countries. This ensures that the GSOCmap is a global product which is consistent with the national soil knowledge and gives the best available estimation of SOC stocks at the country level.

The known issues are the differences at the borders between certain countries and overestimation of SOC stocks for the countries where external datasets were used for gap filling. These issues will be gradually addressed as more data is collected by countries which will allow to improve national maps and replace gap filling with original data.

The GSOCmap is to be continuously improved as the countries gather more data to improve their maps. The versioning system is being implemented which implies publishing the latest version of the map and keeping all previous versions available upon request.

### 7.1 Versioning system

The GSOCmap is a living product and will be updated as soon as more and better information is available. The GSP uses semantic versioning at certain level so that there is a standard pattern to data releases. Semantic versioning is widely used in the software development world and helps developers having a standardized way of versioning software releases. It follows the format of MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH.

The product released on World Soil Day 2017,(5 December) as V1.0.0 and was soon updated to V1.2.0 with minor updates. In June 2019 the map was updated to V1.5.0 with new and updated national contributions, as well as improved gap-filling. Change-log is also to be released along with the data with each public release. The current changelog is persented in Annex C. The future releases will be using the following logic:

**Major** Major version will be incremented with substantial updates.

**Minor** Minor version will be incremented with new country submissions, replacements

**Patch** Patch version will be incremented with error fixes (i.e. removing outliers, fixing calculation errors, etc.)



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## Appendix A

# Country data in the GSOCmap

### A.1 Afghanistan

Map source: Country submission

#### Point data

Number of samples: 384

Sampling period: Varied from 1962 but over 90% were collected in 2017

SOC analysis method: Walkly-Black titration

BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling

#### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest in R

Validation statistics: R<sup>2</sup>=48%

#### Contact

Data Holder: FAO Afghanistan

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### A.2 Albania

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

#### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.3 Algeria

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 16

Sampling period: 1971-1972

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2029

## A.4 Andorra

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

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Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.5 Angola

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 962

Sampling period: 1946-1991

SOC analysis method: dry oxidation (such as element analyzer), temperature = controlled, at 960 deg Celsius and higher (assumed: element analyzer), detection = sensoric (in element analyzer), calculation = complete recovery (assumed); wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied;

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

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Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2017

## A.6 Antigua and Barbuda

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.7 Argentina

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 5073

Sampling period: 1955-2016

SOC analysis method: Walkley Black

BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest + QRF

Validation statistics: ME: -0.48 t/ha; RMSE: 17.23 t/ha kg/m<sup>2</sup>, AVE: 0.37

## Contact

Data Holder: Instituto Nacional de Tecnologia Agropecuaria (INTA)

Contact: Guillermo Federico Olmedo olmedo.guillermo@inta.gob.ar

Citation: under review

## A.8 Armenia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 40

Sampling period: 2015-2017

SOC analysis method: Tyurin method

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: linear spectral unmixing pixel based classification

Validation statistics: No Data



## Contact

Data Holder: Soil Science, Melioration and Agrochemistry Scientific Center named after H. Petrosyan

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## A.9 Australia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 5588

Sampling period: 2000-2013

SOC analysis method: Dry combustion Dumas elemental analyser (4572 sites)

BD analysis method: Predominantly undisturbed cores with some using in situ water-replacement or Saran coating.

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Combination of decision trees with piecewise regression on environmental variables and geostatistical modelling of residuals.

Validation statistics: Refer to Viscarra Rossel *et al.* (2014) for detailed analysis of errors and confidence intervals. The total stock of organic C in the 0-30 cm layer of soil for Australia is 24.97 Gt with 95% confidence limits of 19.04 and 31.83 Gt. See maps of the 5% and 95% confidence limits for geographical variation across the continent. Further information on errors can be provided on request.

## Contact

Data Holder: CSIRO Agriculture and Food

Contact: Mike Grundy mike.grundy@csiro.au

Citation: Viscarra Rossel RA, Webster R, Bui EN, Baldock JA (2014). Baseline map of organic carbon in Australian soil to support national carbon accounting and monitoring under climate change. *Global Change Biology* 20, 2953-2970. doi: 10.1111/gcb.12569

## A.10 Austria

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 150511

Sampling period: 1950-2015

SOC analysis method: Agricultural map: Walkley-De Leenheer method (wet oxidation), Soil taxation survey: dry combustion, Forest monitoring data: dry combustion (ONORM L 1080)

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Dpt. for forest ecology and soil

Contact: Federal research and training center for forest, natural hazards and landscape Austria

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Citation: FBVA (Ed.) "Österreichische Waldboden-Zustandsinventur". Mitteilungen der Forstlichen Bundesversuchsanstalt 168 (1992).

## A.11 Azerbaijan

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 430

Sampling period: 2005-2017

SOC analysis method: Tyurin's Method

BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Institute of Soil Science and Agrochemistry of ANAS

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## A.12 Bahamas

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: data extracted from the model for Central America based on WOSIS data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

## A.13 Bahrain

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.14 Bangladesh

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.15 Barbados

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.16 Belarus

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 88

Sampling period: 1958-1996

SOC analysis method: Wet oxidation (Tyurin Method)

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2021

## A.17 Belgium

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 2457

Sampling period: Agricultural land (Flanders): 2004-2008, Agricultural land (Wallonia): 2005-2014, Forest (Flanders): 1997-2002, Forest (Wallonia): 2004-2014

SOC analysis method: Agricultural land (Flanders): Walkley Black method, a correction factor of 1.33 was applied; Agricultural land (Wallonia): i/ 434 sites were analyzed by dichromate oxydation (Walkley and Black, 1934). 100 of these samples were also analyzed for SOC content by dry combustion method (see ii/ below) and used for fitting a linear regression between the results of both methods (Walkley Black and dry combustion - corrected from inorganic carbon content). This linear regression was used to correct results of Walkley Black method from incomplete oxydation and making them comparable to the results obtained by dry combustion method corrected from inorganic carbon content (Chartin *et al.*, 2017). ii/ 158 sites were analyzed by dry combustion (Variomax CN, Elementar GmbH, Germany), and then corrected from inorganic carbon content. Forest (Flanders): Carbon analysis was performed using various methods: 88% of the samples were analysed by Loss-on-ignition (LOI), 35% by total analyser (TOC) and 6% by unmodified Walkley Black method (WBC). A quarter of all samples were assessed both by TOC and LOI, to calibrate regression functions as described in De Vos *et al.* (2005). TOC was analysed according to ISO10694 with a Shimadzu TC analyser. The applied Walkley an Black

method is described in De Vos *et al.* 2007; Forest (Wallonia): All the samples were analyzed by dichromate oxydation (Modified Springer and Klee Method; Springer and Klee , 1954).  
 BD analysis method: Agricultural land (Wallonia): 3 intact cores of 100cm<sup>3</sup> (diameter of 5.3cm) were taken on the middle of each horizon within the 4m raduis circles investigated. Measurements were corrected from stone contents in order to obtain bulk density of fine earth only ( $\leq 2\text{mm}$ ); Forest (Flanders): bulk density was sampled together with mineral soil sampling. A Riverside auger (Eijkelkamp, the Netherlands) was used in combination with a ring holder (Eijkelkamp, the Netherlands) for collecting undisturbed sample cores for bulk density determination. Standard sharpened steel cylinders (type Kopecky) of 100 cc volume ( $d = 53\text{ mm}$ ,  $h = 50\text{ mm}$ ) were used. Bulk density was measured after determination of the soil moisture retention curve at 8 matric potentials (determination of soil water retention curves). The samples were oven dried (105 °C) till constant weight ( $\leq 24\text{ h}$ ). Method described in De Vos *et al.* (2005b).

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Agricultural land (Flanders): The following empirical regression model was derived based on a dataset of 352 profiles.  $\%SOC = \text{LandUse} + a.\text{clay} + b.H_2O_{min} + c.LandUse.Clay + d.LandUse.H_2O_{min}$  Based on the Belgian soil map and the VITO land use map (Poelmans, 2014), this regression equation was applied to the entire territory of Flanders.  
 Agricultural land (Wallonia): i/A Generalized Additive Model (GAM; Wood, 2001) was fitted on 2/3 of the dataset. Spatialized environmental covariates (40m x 40m) were used as inputs on the model to map SOC stocks over croplands and grasslands in Wallonia (Southern Belgium).;  
 Forest (Flanders): The average soil carbon stock in the upper 30 cm ( $C_s$ , in t C/ha) is computed per texture-drainage class of the Belgian soil map. This value is pasted into the 10x10 m<sup>2</sup> grid of the land use map. ; Forest (Wallonia): i/A Generalized Additive Model (GAM; Wood, 2001) was fitted on 2/3 of the dataset. Spatialized environmental covariates (40m x 40m) were used as inputs on the model to map SOC stocks over forest in Wallonia (Southern Belgium).  
 Validation statistics: Agricultural land (Flanders): The uncertainty reported is the model uncertainty on point estimates for each data point, in which the estimated model parameters are simulated 1000 times, under the assumption that they are independent and normally distributed variables, using their model estimation and standard error as distribution parameters. (Goidts, 2009 and Meersmans, 2011); Agricultural land (Wallonia): The external validation (on the remaining 1/3 of the dataset) gave a  $R^2$  of 0.64 and a RMSE of 16 Mg C / ha. ii/ The computation of the prediction uncertainty accounts for the errors associated to both the estimations of i) SOC stocks and ii) parameters of the spatial model (GAM). Hence, two consecutive stochastic simulations (Monte-Carlo method) were used to produce 10,000 (i.e., 100 x 100) independent spatialized datasets. Based on these 10,000 individuals, mean SOC stocks and standard deviation (SD) were computed for each pixel. (Chartin *et al.*, 2017) Forest (Flanders): The uncertainty of the mean (precision) is based on the margin of error (ME) derived from half the 95% confidence interval (CI95%). CI95% are estimated based on bias corrected and accelerated (BCa) percentiles at 2.5 and 97.5% determined by bootstrapping ( $B = 5000$  resamples). Forest (Wallonia):The external validation (on the remaining 1/3 of the dataset) gave a  $R^2$  of 0.41, a mean error of 0.3 Mg C /ha, a MAE of 16 Mg C /ha and a RMSE of 18.2 Mg C / ha. ii/ The computation of the prediction uncertainty (standard deviation, SD) accounts only for the errors associated to the estimation of the parameters of the spatial model (GAM). The mgcv package in R provides a Bayesian approach to compute standard errors for the predictions (Wood, 2001).

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Data Holder: Data Holders: Vlaamse overheid and Service Public de Wallonie; Data Handlers: 1) Georges Lemaitre Centre for Earth and Climate Research, Earth and Life Institute, Université Catholique de Louvain, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium 2) Environment and Climate unit, Research Institute for Nature and Forest, 1070 Brussels, Belgium 3) Vlaams Planbureau voor Omgeving, Departement Omgeving, Vlaamse overheid, 1000 Brussel, Belgium 4) Service Public de Wallonie, Direction Generale de l Agriculture, des Ressources Naturelles et de l Environnement (DGO3), 5100 Namur, Belgium

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## A.18 Belize

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.19 Benin

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 714

Sampling period: 1968-1997

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; natural clod; clod reconstituted from > 2 mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe  
Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

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## A.20 Bhutan

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 993

Sampling period: after 1997

SOC analysis method: Wet oxidation based on Walkley and Black

BD analysis method: undisturbed samples

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Regression tree using cubist and R Kriging using Vesper

Validation statistics: ME 0.5 t/ha; RMSE 16.3 t/ha; R<sup>2</sup> 0.63

## Contact

Data Holder: National Soil Services Centre, Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture and Forests

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## A.21 Bolivia (Plurinational State of)

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 4788

Sampling period: 1960-2016

SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest  
Validation statistics:  $R^2 = 0.287$

### Contact

Data Holder: Viceministerio de Tierras  
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## A.22 Bosnia and Herzegovina

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 1715  
Sampling period: 1964-1986  
SOC analysis method: colorimetric  
BD analysis method: Kopecky method

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest  
Validation statistics: MAE=15.2 t/ha; RMSE=17.8 t/ha;

### Contact

Data Holder: University of Sarajevo  
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Institution: University of Sarajevo

## A.23 Botswana

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 839  
Sampling period: 1970-1986  
SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied;  
BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent),



measurement condition = oven dry; samples: clod reconstituted from 2 mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe  
Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>  
Institution: Global Soil Partnership  
Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2022

## A.24 Brazil

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 6998  
Sampling period: 1958-2010  
SOC analysis method: Wet oxidation  
BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Ensemble model combining nine methods (stepwise multiple linear regression, elastic net, principal components regression, partial least squares regression, multivariate adaptive regression splines, cubist, regression tree, random forest and extreme gradient boosting)  
Validation statistics: Training: ME = 1.55 t/ha, RMSE = 21.93 t/ha; Validation: ME = 5.82 t/ha, RMSE = 54.05 t/ha

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## A.25 Brunei Darussalam

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.26 Bulgaria

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 664

Sampling period: 2012

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Contact: esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu

Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.27 Burkina Faso

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 532

Sampling period: 1966-2000

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; natural clod; clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe  
Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

### Contact

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## A.28 Burundi

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 34

Sampling period: 1951-1984

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Burundi, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Rwanda, Uganda

Validation statistics: MAE=16 t/ha; RMSE=19.1 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

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Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2019

## A.29 Cabo Verde

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. *PLoS ONE* 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.30 Cambodia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 671

Sampling period: 1997-2015

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Regression Kriging

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: DALRM, General Directorate of Agriculture

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## A.31 Cameroon

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 1250

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: University of Dschang, Department of Soil Science; International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), Yaounde

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## A.32 Canada

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 48017

Sampling period: 1960-2015

SOC analysis method: various: dry combustion, LOI, a few wet oxidation

BD analysis method: cores, excavation method

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: ensemble map from 11 contributions using conventional upscaling, RF, and other algorithms

Validation statistics: We provide a sd based on the variation between overlapping contributions. Error rates for the individual contributions varied from none (polygon averages), low reliability for some maps (10% concordance), and some had better results (30 % or higher). Final map reliability estimates await the development of a national validation dataset (in progress).

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Data Holder: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

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## A.33 Central African Republic

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 83

Sampling period: 1960-1978

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>]

(and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe  
Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

### Contact

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## A.34 Chad

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 5  
Sampling period: 1968  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
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## A.35 Chile

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 3258

Sampling period: 1997-2018

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: R2=0.34

### Contact

Data Holder: Servicio Agrícola y Ganadero, Departamento De Suelos

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## A.36 China

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 1487

Sampling period: 1978-1993

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; natural clod; clod reconstituted from  $\leq$  2 mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de

Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2025

## A.37 Colombia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 4329

Sampling period: 1980-2012

SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black Method

BD analysis method: Samples made by the methods of the clod and cylinder, taken in the horizons of the modal profiles of the cartographic soil units

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Regression-kriging spatial interpolation technique that combines a regression of the dependent variable (target variable) over the predictors (i.e., the environmental covariates) with kriging of the prediction residuals.

Validation statistics: ME: 0.0006705, MAE: 0.5582, RMSE: 0.7416, R2 : 0.5843

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## A.38 Comoros

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. *PLoS ONE* 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.39 Congo

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling



## Point data

Number of samples: 68

Sampling period: 1956-1998

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Burundi, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Rwanda, Uganda

Validation statistics: MAE=16 t/ha; RMSE=19.1 t/ha

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Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2027

## A.40 Cook Islands

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.41 Costa Rica

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 1518

Sampling period: 1973-2013

SOC analysis method: Dry combustion and Walkley-Black

BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random forest

Validation statistics: MAE = 28.8 t/ha, RMSE=34.9 t/ha, R2=0.265

## Contact

Data Holder: Instituto Nacional de Innovacion de Transferencia en Tecnologia (INTA); Centro de investigaciones Agronomicas, Universidad de Costa Rica

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## A.42 Cote d'Ivoire

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 250

Sampling period: 1966-1977

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H2SO4] - Potassiumbichromate [K2Cr2O7] (and Phosphoric acid [H3PO4]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: natural clod

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African RepublicKenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m2; RMSE=4.4 kg/m2; R2=0.17

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2026

## A.43 Croatia

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.44 Cuba

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 30886

Sampling period: 1975-1985

SOC analysis method: Walkley and Black volumetric method (Jackson, M, L. (1975). Soil Chemical Analysis, Ed. Omega, S.A., Barcelona, 662 p.)

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: ME=-5 t/ha; MAE=16.44 t/ha; RMSE=23.74 t/ha; AVE=0.37

## Contact

Data Holder: Instituto de Suelos, Ministerio de Agricultura

Contact: Dr. Luis A. Gomez Jorin (General Director), Dr. Luis B. Rivero Ramos (Project Leader), Roberto Morales director@isuelos.co.cu; roberto.morales@isuelos.cu

## A.45 Cyprus

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 90

Sampling period: 2009

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support vector machine

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Contact: [esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu](mailto:esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu)

Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.46 Czechia

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 4169

Sampling period: 1960-2008

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: Measured

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: MAE=13.3 t/ha; RMSE=14.8 t/ha; R<sup>2</sup>=0.29

## Contact

Data Holder: Czech University of Life Sciences Prague

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Institution: Czech University of Life Sciences Prague

## A.47 The Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.48 The Democratic Republic of the Congo

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

## Point data

Number of samples: 773

Sampling period: 1954-2005

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: clod reconstituted from ; 2 mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Burundi, Central African Republic, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=16 t/ha; RMSE=19.1 t/ha

## Contact

Data Holder: Observatoire Satellital des Forets d Afrique Central (OSFAC) /Universite de Kinshasa (Unikin)

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Institution: Observatoire Satellital des Forets d Afrique Central (OSFAC) /Universite de Kinshasa (Unikin)

## A.49 Denmark

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 46850

Sampling period: 1974-2010

SOC analysis method: Dry combustriion

BD analysis method: undisturbed rings

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Regression kriging

Validation statistics: For the 0-5 cm layer, the mean error was 1.1 g/kg

### Contact

Data Holder: Agroecology, Aarhus University

Contact: Mogens H Greve, Mette B Greve mogensh.greve@agro.au.dk

Citation: Adhikari K, Hartemink AE, Minasny B, Bou Kheir R, Greve MB, *et al.* (2014) Digital Mapping of Soil Organic Carbon Contents and Stocks in Denmark. PLoS ONE 9(8): e105519. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0105519

## A.50 Djibouti

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2028

## A.51 Dominica

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. *PLoS ONE* 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.52 Dominican Republic

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 120

Sampling period: 2015-2016

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Ministerio De Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales  
Contact: Rafael Antonio Rivera rafantoniorive@gmail.com  
Institution: Ministerio De Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales

## A.53 Ecuador

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 12861  
Sampling period: 2009-2016  
SOC analysis method: Wet Oxidation (Walkley Black)  
BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: R Kriging  
Validation statistics: ME: 0.0016; MAE:0.396; RMSE: 0.534; R2: 0.628

### Contact

Data Holder: Ministerio de Agricultura y Ganaderia del Ecuador  
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## A.54 Egypt

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 22  
Sampling period: 1987-1992  
SOC analysis method: 16 samples: dry oxidation (such as element analyzer), temperature = controlled, at 960 deg Celsius and higher (assumed: element analyzer), detection = sensoric (in element analyzer), calculation = complete recovery (assumed); 3 samples: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>])

mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied;

BD analysis method: 12 samples: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; 3 samples: clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and desiccation cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2030

## A.55 El Salvador

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 866

Sampling period: 1960-2016

SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black

BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Ministerio de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales (MARN)/ Centro Nacional de Tecnología Agropecuaria y Forestal (CENTA)

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## A.56 Equatorial Guinea

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Burundi, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Rwanda, Uganda

Validation statistics: MAE=16 t/ha; RMSE=19.1 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2037

## A.57 Eritrea

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

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Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2031

## A.58 Estonia

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 220

Sampling period: 2009

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Contact: [esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu](mailto:esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu)

Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.59 Ethiopia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 58957

Sampling period: 2012-2017

SOC analysis method: soil spectroscopy

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: ME = 0.04104367 t/ha, RMSE = 18.7978 t/ha, and R<sup>2</sup> = 0.5431023

## Contact

Data Holder: Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources

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## A.60 Faroe Islands

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

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Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.61 Fiji

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.62 Finland

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 2237  
Sampling period: 2007-2009  
SOC analysis method: Dry combustion  
BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Natural Resources Institute Finland  
Contact: Harri Lilja harri.lilja@luke.fi  
Citation: Biosoil: <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-9-4169-2016>, 2016, Lucas: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoderma.2015.07.001>  
Soil Database: [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0166-2481\(06\)31005-7](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0166-2481(06)31005-7)

## A.63 France

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 2952  
Sampling period: No Data  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: Estimated

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Cubist  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA)  
Contact: Manuel Martin manuel.martin@inra.fr  
Citation: France carbon soil map - INRA (with data provided by GIS Sol) - M. Martin, D. Arrouays, V.L. Mulder, M. Lacoste, A.C.Richer-de-Forges, M. Bardy and A. Bispo. 2017 - Updated 1/12/2017 Mulder, V.L., Lacoste, M., Richer-de-Forges, A.C., Martin, M.P., Arrouays, D., 2016. National versus global modelling the 3D distribution of soil organic carbon in mainland France. Geoderma 263, 16 - 34. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoderma.2015.08.035>

## A.64 Gabon

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 46

Sampling period: 1959-1984

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Burundi, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Rwanda, Uganda

Validation statistics: MAE=16 t/ha; RMSE=19.1 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2033

## A.65 Gambia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 24

Sampling period: 2017

SOC analysis method: loss on ignition (LoI)

BD analysis method: Disturbed: Standard test procedure Sieve analysis ASSHTO-T27 and Bulk density test - ASTM C29

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

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## A.66 Georgia

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information  
Contact: soilgrids.org  
Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.67 Germany

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 4863  
Sampling period: 2006-2009 (n=1859); 2011-2017 (n=3104)  
SOC analysis method: Total soil carbon from dry combustion with higher temperatures (elementary analysis)  
BD analysis method: In soil layers down to 30 cm, the determination of bulk density of fine earth was based on fixed volume samples taken with a cylinder or equivalent devices (e.g. auger). Coarse fragments were weighed and their volume calculated based on density of the minerals or alternatively their volume was measured. In soil layers below 30 cm it was accepted to use estimated volumetric proportions of coarse fragments from the soil profile based on visually estimated and subsequently converted area proportions. Bulk density of fine earth was measured depending on the volumetric proportion of coarse fragments: If it was below 5 %, the fixed volume sample was completely dried at 105 degrees C and weighed such that bulk density of the whole sample was taken as bulk density of fine earth. Fixed volume samples with higher proportions of only smaller coarse fragments (2-20 mm) were sieved in order to separate coarse fragments before determination of weight of fine earth. In case of any proportion of larger coarse fragments (20-63 mm) they were visually estimated at the soil profile or by samples taken with a spade.

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data  
Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

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Citation: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/gcb.12558> <https://www.thuenen.de/media/institute/>  
[https://literatur.thuenen.de/digbib\\_extern/dn059837.pdf](https://literatur.thuenen.de/digbib_extern/dn059837.pdf) [https://literatur.thuenen.de/digbib\\_extern/dn057211.p](https://literatur.thuenen.de/digbib_extern/dn057211.p)

## A.68 Ghana

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 751

Sampling period: 1945-2003

SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black Titrimetry (Wet Oxidation), samples were air dried, crushed and sieved (2-mm). The fine earth fraction ( $\leq 2$ mm) was used for laboratory analysis. wet ox agents: 10ml  $K_2Cr_2O_7$  solution, 20ml conc.  $H_2SO_4$ , 85%  $H_3PO_4$ , 0.2g of NaF, 0.5ml ferrous solution, and 1mL of diphenylamine indicator.

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: ME=-2.5 t/ha; MAE=12 t/ha, RMSE =15 t/ha; AVE = 0.18

## Contact

Data Holder: CSIR-Soil Research Institute, Kwadaso-Kumasi, Ghana.

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## A.69 Greece

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 491

Sampling period: 2009

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Contact: [esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu](mailto:esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu)

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Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.70 Grenada

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.71 Guatemala

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.72 Guinea

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 61

Sampling period: 1962-1969

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry;



## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe  
Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>  
Institution: Global Soil Partnership  
Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2035

## A.73 Guinea-Bissau

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 17  
Sampling period: 1982-1983  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe  
Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

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Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
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Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2036

## A.74 Guyana

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 43  
Sampling period: 1965-1966  
SOC analysis method: wet oxidation  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: ensemble of different SVM models based on 238 points from the region  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>  
Institution: Global Soil Partnership  
Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2039

## A.75 Haiti

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 135  
Sampling period: No Data  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Bayesian Regression where the response variable is observational data from Haiti and the explanatory  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>  
Institution: Global Soil Partnership  
Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2040

## A.76 Honduras

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.77 Hungary

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 1236

Sampling period: 1992-1993

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation

BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Quantile regression forest

Validation statistics: ME= -1.72 t/ha, MAE= 17.08 t/ha, RMSE= 23.18 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Institute for Soil Sciences and Agricultural Chemistry, Centre for Agricultural Research, Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Contact: Lazlo Pasztor pasztor@rissac.hu

## A.78 Iceland

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Contact: [esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu](mailto:esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu)

Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.79 India

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

## Point data

Number of samples: 175993

Sampling period: 2000-2015

SOC analysis method: Wet digestion ((Walkley and Black 1934)

BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine

Validation statistics: ME 0.0023 t/ha, RMSE 8.38 t/ha, R2 0.53

## Contact

Data Holder: National Bureau of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning, Nagpur; Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal

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Institution: National Bureau of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning, Nagpur; Indian Institute of soil Science, Bhopal

## A.80 Indonesia

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 15750

Sampling period: 1980-2017

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation  
BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Indonesian Ministry of Agriculture, Agency for Agricultural Land Resource Research and Development, Center for Land Resource Research and Development  
Contact: Yiyi Sulaeman y.sulaeman@gmail.com  
Citation: Sulaeman *et al.* 2012 Sulaeman *et al.* 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

## A.81 The Islamic Republic of Iran

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 954  
Sampling period: No Data  
SOC analysis method: wet oxidation  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest  
Validation statistics:  $R^2 = 0.58$ , RMSE=18.5 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Soil and Water Research Institute (SWRI)  
Contact: Kambiz Bazargan bazargan\_k@yahoo.com  
Institution: Soil and Water Research Institute (SWRI)

## A.82 Iraq

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 400  
Sampling period: 1980s-2000  
SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Ministry of Agriculture

Contact: Dr Eman eman\_sahib@yahoo.com

## A.83 Ireland

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 233

Sampling period: 2009

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Contact: esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu

Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.84 Israel

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 12

Sampling period: 1976-1986

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2041

## A.85 Italy

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 6748

Sampling period: 1990-2013

SOC analysis method: SOC values obtained with the Springer and Klee and flash combustion elemental analyser methods were retained for elaborations. Uncorrected values obtained by the Walkey and Black method were corrected with an empirical linear equation, based on previous studies and as recommended by the Italian official methods.

BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling, core method and pit method

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Neural Networks and GLM, according to soil region

Validation statistics: Mean Error (ME) of the prediction is 1.688 Mg/ha, MAE 25.57 Mg/ha, Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE) is 36.24 Mg/ha.

## Contact

Data Holder: Research centre for agriculture and environment (CREA)

Contact: Edoardo Costantini [edoardo.costantini@crea.gov.it](mailto:edoardo.costantini@crea.gov.it)

Citation: SCS map of Italy partnership: structure and contributions Coordinator: Edoardo Costantini CREA Firenze. WG1 Data, metadata and covariates supplying: CREA-Firenze; CREA-Roma; ISPRA (covariates); IPLA, Piemonte; ERSAF, Lombardia; ARPA Veneto; ERSAFVG, Friuli Venezia-Giulia; Regione Liguria; SGSS, Emilia-Romagna; Consorzio Lamma, Toscana; Regione Marche; Regione Campania; Regione Puglia, Università di Foggia, Università Mediterranea di Reggio Calabria, ARSSA, Calabria; Regione Sicilia. WP2 Harmonization of SOC analytical methods and bulk density values and estimation a) SOC methods: ARPA Veneto Università Mediterranea di Reggio Calabria; Università di Foggia; CREA-Roma; CNR-ISE, Firenze. b) Bulk

density estimation: CNR-Ibimet; Firenze; CREA, Firenze; ARPA Veneto; Consorzio Lamma, Firenze; SGSS, Emilia-Romagna. WP3 Digital soil mapping: Methods: CNR-Ibimet, Firenze; CREA Firenze; CREA Roma. Quality checking: ARPA Veneto; SGSS, Emilia-Romagna. WP4-elaboration and management of data and maps: CREA Firenze; CNR-Ibimet, Firenze. Authors (alphabetic order for institutions and authors) Paolo Giandon, Ialina Vinci (ARPA Veneto); Raffaele Paone (ARSSA, Calabria); Costanza Calzolari, Fabrizio Ungaro (CNR Ibimet); Luigi D Acqui (CNR ISE); Lorenzo Gardin (Consorzio Lamma, Toscana); Edoardo Costantini, Maria Fantappi, Giovanni L Abate, Sergio Pellegrini, (CREA Firenze); Maria Teresa Dell Abate, Rosario Napoli (CREA Roma); Stefano Barbieri (ERSA-FVG); Stefano Brenna (ERSAF, Lombardia); Fabio Petrella, Paolo Martali (IPLA, Piemonte); Michele Munafi, Fiorenzo Fumanti (ISPRA ); Amedeo D Antonio (Regione Campania); Paola Tarocco, Francesca Staffilani (Regione Emilia-Romagna SGSS); Stefano Pini (Regione Liguria), Mauro Tiberi (Regione Marche); Luigi Scamarcio (Regione Puglia); Fabio Guaitoli (Regione Sicilia); Claudio Zaccone (Universita di Foggia); Adele Muscolo (Universita Mediterranea di Reggio Calabria).

## **A.86 Jamaica**

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 77

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Quantile Regression Forest

Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2042

## **A.87 Japan**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 6254

Sampling period: cropland: 2008-2012, forest: 2006-2011



SOC analysis method: Dry combustion method  
BD analysis method: Cropland: 100mL cylinder Forests: 400 mL cylinder (100 cm<sup>2</sup> area, 4 cm depth),

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: No Data  
Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Cropland:Institute for Agro-Environmental Sciences, NARO, Forests:Forestry and Forest Products Research Insitute  
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## **A.88 Jordan**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 1072  
Sampling period: 1993, 2013  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Multiple linear regression, Kriging  
Validation statistics: R<sup>2</sup> (0.92)

### **Contact**

Data Holder: MOA  
Contact: Mahmoud alfraihat Mahmoudalfrehat@gmail.com

## **A.89 Kazakhstan**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 502  
Sampling period: 1960-2016  
SOC analysis method: The samples SOM content was measured using Tyurin method  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and the original data provided by Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Validation statistics:  $R^2 = 0.88$ , RMSE=10.5 t/ha

## Contact

Data Holder: Kazakh Research Institute of Soil Science and Agrochemistry named after U.U. Usmanov

Contact: Maira madgu@inbox.ru

## A.90 Kenya

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 2059

Sampling period: 1976-2017

SOC analysis method: organic C in the soil sample is oxidized by acidified dichromate at 1500C for 30 minutes to ensure complete oxidation (Anderson and Ingram, 1993). Barium chloride is added to the cooled digest, mixed thoroughly and the digest allowed to stand overnight. The C concentration is read on the spectrophotometer.

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Environmental Correlation

Validation statistics: RMSE=39.72 t/ha; AC=0.657806; MAE=28.958 t/ha; SDOV=36.117432; ME=1.09 t/ha Where: RMSE is root mean square error; AC is agreement coefficient; MAE is mean absolute error; SDOV is standard deviation of observed values; ME is mean error.

## Contact

Data Holder: Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization

Contact: Peter Kamoni, Matolo Nyamai Peter kamoni(pkamoni@gmail.com) Matolo Nyamai(matolonyamai@gmail.com/n

Citation: Anderson, J. M. and J. S. I. Ingram (eds). 1993. Tropical Soil Biology and Fertility. A handbook of Methods. C.A.B. International, Wallingford, UK. Hinga G., Muchena F.N. and Njihia C.M., (ed 1980). Physical and Chemical methods of soil analysis. National Agricultural Laboratories, Nairobi Zhu AX., Liud J., Dud f., Zhang SJ., Qin CZ., Burtd J., Behrense T., and Scholtene T. Predictive soil mapping with limited sample data. European Journal of Soil Science, May 2015, 66, 535-547.

## A.91 Kiribati

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.92 Kuwait

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2044

## A.93 Kyrgyzstan

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and the original data provided by Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Validation statistics:  $R^2 = 0.88$ , RMSE=10.5 t/ha

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

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## A.94 The Lao People's Democratic Republic

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 155

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Caret ensemble of Random Forest, Cubist, KNN, Bayesian trees, Partial Least Squares Regression, Principal Components Regression

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of the Lao People's Democratic Republic

Contact: <http://www.maf.gov.la/>

Institution: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of the Lao People's Democratic Republic

## A.95 Latvia

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 349

Sampling period: 2009

SOC analysis method: dry combustion  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
Contact: [esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu](mailto:esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu)  
Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.96 Lebanon

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 450  
Sampling period: 1952-1953 and 1997-2001  
SOC analysis method: Wet oxidation  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Kriging  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Handler Institute: National Council for Scientific Research CNRS Lebanon  
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Citation: Darwish T., Khawlie M., Jomaa M., Awad M. Abou Daher and P. Zdruli (2002). A survey to upgrade information for soil mapping and management in Lebanon. Options Méditerranéennes, Series A: Mediterranean Seminars, number 50: 57-71.

## A.97 Lesotho

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 74

Sampling period: 1965-1979

SOC analysis method: Records not accessible. Analyses were conducted in accordance with procedures outlined in: 1.. Soil Survey Laboratory Methods and Procedures for Collecting Soil Samples (Soil Conservation Service, USDA, Washington, D. C., 1972). 2.. Physical and Chemical Methods of Soil and Water Analysis (J. Dewis, F. Freitas: FAO., Rome, 1970)

BD analysis method: Records not accessible. Analyses were conducted in accordance with procedures outlined in: 1.. Soil Survey Laboratory Methods and Procedures for Collecting Soil Samples (Soil Conservation Service, USDA, Washington, D. C., 1972). 2.. Physical and Chemical Methods of Soil and Water Analysis (J. Dewis, F. Freitas: FAO., Rome, 1970)

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Multiple linear regression, R Kriging, Random Forest

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Ministry of Forestry, Range and Soil Conservation

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Citation: Cauley, P. M., 1986. Benchmark soils of Lesotho: their classification, interpretation, use, and management. Maseru, Lesotho.

## A.98 Liberia

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 48

Sampling period: 1974-2008

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry;

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African RepublicKenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2045

## A.99 Libya

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 14

Sampling period: 1980

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; 15 samples: clod reconstituted from 2 mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

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Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2046

## A.100 Lithuania

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 356  
Sampling period: 2009  
SOC analysis method: dry combustion  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
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Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.101 Luxembourg

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 3492  
Sampling period: agricultural land: 2012-2013, forest: 1998-2001  
SOC analysis method: Dry Combustion (DC) ISO 10694 - 1995, Measure of TIC (by CO<sub>2</sub>) after treatment by phosphoric acid 40% ; TOC = TC -TIC  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Generalized Additive Models (covariates: Land use, Elevation, precipitation, temperature, C factor, % Clay (80x80m))  
Validation statistics: For cropland soils: R<sup>2</sup> = 0.66, RMSE = 5.5 g C kg<sup>-1</sup>

### Contact

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## A.102 Madagascar

Map source: Country submission



### Point data

Number of samples: 1193

Sampling period: 2010-2015

SOC analysis method: Walkley Black and mid-infrared spectroscopy

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: R<sup>2</sup>=0.59; RMSE=25.8 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Laboratoire des Radioisotopes, University of Antananarivo

Contact: Andry Andriamananjara njaraandry1@gmail.com

Citation: Ramifehiarivo, N., *et al.*, Mapping soil organic carbon on a national scale: Towards an improved and updated map of Madagascar, (2016), <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.geodrs.2016.12.002>

## A.103 Malawi

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 4922

Sampling period: 2010-2014

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Multiple linear regression

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Department of Land Resources Conservation, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development,

Contact: Kefasi Kamoyo/ John Mussa kamokefa@yahoo.com/ mussajj@gmail.com

## A.104 Malaysia

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.105 Maldives

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.106 Mali

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 667

Sampling period: 1955-2001

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: 10 samples: clod reconstituted from < 2 mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa; 1 sample: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry;

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

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Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2048

## **A.107 Malta**

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 19

Sampling period: 2009

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

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Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## **A.108 Marshall Islands**

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

### **Contact**

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. *PLoS ONE* 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## **A.109 Mauritania**

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 11  
Sampling period: 1983  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen  
Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>  
Institution: Global Soil Partnership  
Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2049

## A.110 Mauritius

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information  
Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)  
Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. *PLoS ONE* 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.111 Mexico

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 36015  
Sampling period: soil profiles: 1968-2016, augers: 2015-2016  
SOC analysis method: Walkley Black (1968-2009) and Combustion Total (2010-2016)  
BD analysis method: To spatially represent SOC information we use regionalization models that represent changes in average SOC values as a function of changes in factors of soil formation (or loss); such as gravity, climate, vegetation, land use, water erosion, deforestation, degradation and recovery. Each logical relationship has both exception rules and quantitative trend

graphs for the continuous range of carbon values, which is established from the available cartographic information. Digital soil mapping techniques are also used to build statistical models and spatial predictions of SOC and depth. The ongoing development and the implementation of a national soil spatial inference engine assisted with high performance computing techniques will allow to periodically provide wall-to-wall SOC estimates at relevant scales for natural resources management.

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Mixed. Iterative Calibration map and Linear Regression. To spatially represent SOC information we use regionalization models that represent changes in average SOC values as a function of changes in factors of soil formation (or loss); such as gravity (inclination), climate, vegetation, land use, water erosion, deforestation, degradation and recovery. Each logical relationship has both exception rules and quantitative trend graphs for the continuous range of carbon values, which is established from the available cartographic information. Digital soil mapping techniques are also used to build statistical models and spatial predictions of SOC and depth. The ongoing development and the implementation of a national soil spatial inference engine assisted with high performance computing techniques will allow to periodically provide wall-to-wall SOC estimates at relevant scales for natural resources management.

Validation statistics: Four error factors are considered: (1) Disaggregation or level of detail in the available data. (2) Density or number of field observations per study surface. (3) Dispersion or heterogeneity represented by the coefficient of variation (Cv) obtained from the quotient of the standard deviation and the mean of each covariate of organic carbon (relief, geology, climate, vegetation, human management and various soil processes), and (4) Representation or congruence (qualitative evaluation of expert) between the study sites (points) and the carbon magnitude polygons represented. For the estimation of uncertainties follows the good practices suggestions from the IPCC (2003) through the use of the inverse of variance and R<sup>2</sup>.

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2 Comisión Nacional Forestal. CONAFOR. 3 Instituto Nacional de Investigaciones Forestales Agrícolas y Pecuarias. INIFAP. 4 Red Nacional de Laboratorios para el Análisis, Uso, Conservación y Manejo del Suelo. REDLABs. 5 Colegio de Postgraduados. COLPOS. 6 Colegio de la Frontera Sur. ECOSUR. 7 Organización de las Naciones Unidas para la Agricultura y la Alimentación. FAO. 8 University of Delaware, UDEL. 9 Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo. PNUD.

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Citation: Soil Organic Carbon Map 2017. Mexico.

## A.112 Micronesia (Federated States of)

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda,

M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## **A.113 Monaco**

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 0  
Sampling period: No Data  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data  
Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
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Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## **A.114 Mongolia**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 512  
Sampling period: 2010-2017  
SOC analysis method: Tyurin s Method  
BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Random forest model  
Validation statistics: ME= 1.0 t/ha, MAE=22.6 t/ha, RMSE=30 t/ha, R2=0.36

## Contact

Data Holder: Institute of Plant and Agriculture Science  
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## A.115 Montenegro

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information  
Contact: soilgrids.org  
Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.116 Morocco

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 24000  
Sampling period: 1980-2016  
SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: esoter approach for soil unit and idw for regression  
Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: INRA Morocco  
Contact: Dr Rachid Moussadek rachidmoussadek@yahoo.fr

## A.117 Mozambique

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 2427

Sampling period: 1960-2000

SOC analysis method: Loss ignition, dry combustion

BD analysis method: Sampling was done across all horizons of the profile

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest Method

Validation statistics: ME=4.4, R<sup>2</sup>=0.31

### Contact

Data Holder: Mozambique Agrarian Reserch Institute

Contact: Orlando Inacio Jalane ojalane@gmail.com

## A.118 Myanmar

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 115

Sampling period: 2009-2015

SOC analysis method: Tyurin s Method

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation (MoALI)

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Institution: Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation (MoALI)

## A.119 Namibia

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling



## Point data

Number of samples: 56

Sampling period: 1973-2000

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied;

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2050

## A.120 Nauru

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.121 Nepal

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 6000

Sampling period: 1990-2000

SOC analysis method: Wet Oxidation

BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Nepal Agricultural Research Council

Contact: Soil Science Division matobigyan@gmail.com

## A.122 The Kingdom of the Netherlands

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 21210

Sampling period: 1990-2013

SOC analysis method: dry combustion by loss on ignition

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: R Kriging

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Wageningen University and Research, The Netherlands

Contact: Dennis Walvoort and Tom Hoogland <https://www.wur.nl/en.htm>

Citation: Hoogland, T. D. J. Brus, and D.J.J. Walvoort, (2017, in prep.). 3D-geostatistical interpolation of soil organic matter in the Netherlands.

## A.123 New Zealand

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 2050

Sampling period: 1950-2010

SOC analysis method: Dry combustion (different methods over time)

BD analysis method: Disturbed (for soil physical/chemical parameters) and undisturbed (bulk density)

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: generalized linear model (GLM)

Validation statistics: A test of the measured and predicted soil carbon stocks using the LENZ level 4 environmental classification model (the best of the four developed) indicates a residual standard error of 24.4 t/ha using a robust Gaussian fit of the model residuals.

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Citation: McNeill S., Golubiewski N., Barringer J. (2014): Development and calibration of a soil carbon inventory model for New Zealand. Soil Research 52: 789-804; <http://dx.doi.org/10.1071/SR14020>

## A.124 Nicaragua

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 4000

Sampling period: 1972-2017

SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest and Support Vector Machine

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Universidad Nacional Agraria

Contact: Fernando J Mendoza Jara [fmendoza@ci.una.edu.ni](mailto:fmendoza@ci.una.edu.ni)

## A.125 Niger

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 478

Sampling period: 1979-1998

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; natural clod; clod reconstituted from 2 mm sample formed

by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2051

## A.126 Nigeria

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 5545

Sampling period: 1970-2015

SOC analysis method: walkley Black Method,

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Multiple linear regression

Validation statistics: RMSE 18.9 t/ha, R<sup>2</sup> 0.529, ME 9.18 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Federal department of Agricultural Lands and Climate Change Management Service

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## A.127 Niue

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.128 Norway

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 3218

Sampling period: 1980-2016

SOC analysis method: Dry combustion (after ISO 10694)

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: ensemble of 6 models: random forest, cubist, kernels, decision trees, principal components and partial least square regression

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

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Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2052

## A.129 Oman

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 9

Sampling period: 1982-1989

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2053

## A.130 Pakistan

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 337

Sampling period: 1969-1989

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines based on the ensemble globally available data from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and the original data provided by Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2054

## **A.131 Palau**

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### **Contact**

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## **A.132 Panama**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 837

Sampling period: 2010-2015

SOC analysis method: Wet Oxidation

BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: R Kriging

Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

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## **A.133 Papua New Guinea**

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### **Contact**

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## **A.134 Paraguay**

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 2768  
Sampling period: 1993-2017  
SOC analysis method: potassium Dichromate - titulation  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest  
Validation statistics: ME: 16.6 t/ha; MAE: 33.9 t/ha; RMSE: 31.2 t/ha; R2: 0.1416

### Contact

Data Holder: Secretary of Environment SEAM  
Contact: Minisry of Agriculture MAG no available

## A.135 Peru

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 1010  
Sampling period: 1980-2015  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: estimated by a method ps / vs

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines  
Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Ministerio de Agricultura y Riego  
Contact: Honnan Denis Ponte Saldana hponte1410@Gmail.com, hponte@minagri.gob.pe

## A.136 Philippines

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 500  
Sampling period: 1979-2015  
SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black  
BD analysis method: No Data



## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Kriging  
Validation statistics: RMSE = 0.48

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## A.137 Poland

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 1648  
Sampling period: 2009  
SOC analysis method: dry combustion  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data  
Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
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Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.138 Portugal

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 476  
Sampling period: 2009  
SOC analysis method: dry combustion  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data  
Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
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Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.139 Qatar

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 0  
Sampling period: No Data  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen  
Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>  
Institution: Global Soil Partnership  
Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2056

## A.140 The Republic of Korea

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.141 The Republic of Moldova

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: 1980

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Institute of Pedology, Agrochemistry and Soil Protection "N. Dimo", The Republic of Moldova

Contact: Iurii Rozloga [iu.rozloga@gmail.com](mailto:iu.rozloga@gmail.com)

## A.142 Romania

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 1384

Sampling period: 2012

SOC analysis method: dry combustion

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

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Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)

Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## A.143 Russian Federation

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 150000

Sampling period: 1965-2016

SOC analysis method: Wet Oxidation , Turin s method

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Used both conventional upscaling and DSM. For DSM: regression equations, IWD and kriging, fuzzy sets depending on area of country and sample density

Validation statistics: Under development yet

## Contact

Data Holder: Soil science department of M.V.Lomonosov MSU, soil data center; Soil science department of Southern State University; Agrochemical data center "Rostovsky" of the Ministry of agriculture of the Russian Federation; Agrochemical data center "Belgorodsky" of the Ministry of agriculture of the Russian Federation; Severtsov Institute of Ecology and Evolution of the Russian Academy of Sciences; Mytishchi filial of Bauman Moscow State Technical University, soil science department; International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, Ecosystem Services and Management program

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Citation: Golozubov O.M., Chernova O.V. Using multi-scale old and modern maps combined with current soil monitoring data for online mapping the soil organic carbon stocks // International Conference "Global Soil Map 2017" Moscow, Russia, July 4-6, 2017. Materials of conference. p. 36.

## A.144 Rwanda

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 88

Sampling period: 1963-1993

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry;

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Burundi, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Rwanda, Uganda

Validation statistics: MAE=16 t/ha; RMSE=19.1 t/ha

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2017

## A.145 Saint Kitts and Nevis

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.146 Saint Lucia

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

## Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.147 Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.148 Samoa

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.149 San Marino

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: No Data

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: No Data

Contact: No Data

Institution: No Data

## A.150 Sao Tome and Principe

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.151 Saudi Arabia

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2058

## A.152 Senegal

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 678

Sampling period: 1990-2017

SOC analysis method: Wet Oxidation  
BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: R Kriging  
Validation statistics: MAE 10.2 t/ha, RMSE 18.1 t/ha, R2 0.67

### Contact

Data Holder: Institut National de Pedologie  
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## A.153 Serbia

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information  
Contact: soilgrids.org  
Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.154 Seychelles

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information  
Contact: soilgrids.org  
Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.155 Sierra Leone

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 11  
Sampling period: 1968-1974  
SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>]



(and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied; BD analysis method: natural clod; undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2059

## A.156 Singapore

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.157 Slovakia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 16748

Sampling period: agricultural soils: 1961 - 1970, forest soils: 2006

SOC analysis method: Wet oxidation (Tyurin method) for agricultural soils, dry combustion for forest soils

BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling (cylinders)

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: National Agricultural and Food Centre, Soil Science and Conservation Research Institute (agricultural soils); National Forestry Centre, Forestry Research Institute (forest soils)  
Contact: Rastislav Skalsky (agricultural soils); Pavel Pavlenda (forest soils) r.skalsky@vupop.sk; pavlenda@nlcsk.org

## A.158 Slovenia

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 1681

Sampling period: 1980-2003

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Agricultural institute of Slovenia

Contact: Borut Vrscaj borut.vrscaj@kis.si

## A.159 Solomon Islands

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## **A.160    Somalia**

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 257

Sampling period: 2007

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation

BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines

Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Somalia Water and Land Information Management (SWALIM)

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## **A.161    South Africa**

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 11257

Sampling period: 1972-2014

SOC analysis method: Walkley Black

BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines

Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Soil, Climate and Water (ARC-SCW)

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Institution: Soil, Climate and Water (ARC-SCW)

## **A.162    South Sudan**

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 0  
Sampling period: No Data  
SOC analysis method: No Data  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe  
Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership  
Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>  
Institution: Global Soil Partnership  
Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2061

## A.163 Spain

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 2696  
Sampling period: 2009  
SOC analysis method: dry combustion  
BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine model based on LUCAS data  
Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
Contact: [esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu](mailto:esdac@jrc.ec.europa.eu)  
Institution: European Soil Data Centre (ESDAC)  
Citation: Toth, G., Jones, A., Montanarella, L. (eds.) 2013. "LUCAS Topsoil Survey. Methodology, data and results. JRC Technical Reports. Luxembourg. Publications Office of the European Union, EUR26102 - Scientific and Technical Research series - ISSN 1831-9424 (online); ISBN 978-92-79-32542-7; doi: 10.2788/97922"

## **A.164 Sri Lanka**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 233  
Sampling period: 2000 - 2005  
SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black  
BD analysis method: Undisturbed core sampling

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Multiple linear regression  
Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Natural Resources Management Centre, Department of Agriculture  
Contact: Dr. Ajantha de Silva [ajandes@gmail.com](mailto:ajandes@gmail.com)

## **A.165 Sudan**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 1584  
Sampling period: 1960-2015  
SOC analysis method: Walkley-Black  
BD analysis method: paraffin coating

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Random Forest  
Validation statistics: STATISTICS\_MAXIMUM=4.8131771087646 STATISTICS\_MEAN=1.1700157773579  
STATISTICS\_MINIMUM=0.001964766299352 STATISTICS\_STDDEV=0.71722792069521

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Land and Water Research Centre,  
Contact: Abdelmagid Ali Elmobarak [melmobarak2012@gmail.com](mailto:melmobarak2012@gmail.com)

## **A.166 Suriname**

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 178

Sampling period: 1958-1983

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: natural clod

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machine

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2062

## A.167 Eswatini

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 91

Sampling period: 1997-2014

SOC analysis method: Loss ignition , Wet Oxidation , Dry combustion, Infrared reflectance

BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random forest regression

Validation statistics: RMSE 14.25 t/ha, R<sup>2</sup> 0.76

## Contact

Data Holder: Department of Geography, Environmental Science and Planning, University of Eswatini

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## A.168 Sweden

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 19097

Sampling period: Swedish Forest Soil Inventory: 2003-2012, Cropland samples: 2001-2012

SOC analysis method: Dry combustion (forest and part of cropland)/LOI (part of cropland)

BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling (O-layer, topsoil on forest soils)

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Multivariate adaptive regression splines (MARSplines)

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Dep of Soil and Environment, SLU

Contact: Johan Stendahl [johan.stendahl@slu.se](mailto:johan.stendahl@slu.se)

Citation: Stendahl, J., Johansson, M.B., Eriksson, E., Nilsson, A., Langvall, O., 2010. Soil Organic Carbon in Swedish Spruce and Pine Forests - Differences in Stock Levels and Regional Patterns. *Silva Fennica* 44, 5-21. <https://doi.org/10.14214/sf.159>

## A.169 Switzerland

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 1175

Sampling period: 2010-2014

SOC analysis method: Dry combustion; TruSpec CN (Leco) at 950 degrees Celsius, in calcareous soils inorganic carbon determined by adding hydrochloric acid and measuring the acid gas, Organic carbon result of total carbon minus 12% of the total calcium carbonate

BD analysis method: Mass dry fine earth (2 mm) divided by the volume of the fine earth. Therefore, the mass of the coarse fraction ( $\geq 2$  mm) and the volume of this fraction had to be determined.

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Caret ensemble of Random Forest, Cubist, KNN, Bayesian trees, Partial Least Squares Regression, Principal Components Regression

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Federal Office for Environment, Soil and Biotechnology Division

Contact: Fabio Wegmann [fabio.wemann@bafu.admin.ch](mailto:fabio.wemann@bafu.admin.ch)

## A.170 Syrian Arab Republic

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

## Point data

Number of samples: 1220

Sampling period: 1965-1984

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; natural clod; clod reconstituted from 2 mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: General Commission for Scientific Agriculture Research

Contact: Syrian Arab Republic, Damascus, Al-Hyjaz Square, General Commission for Scientific Agriculture Research

Institution: General Commission for Scientific Agriculture Research

## A.171 Tajikistan

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 21

Sampling period: 1974

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: natural clod

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and the original data provided by Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Validation statistics: R<sup>2</sup> =0.88, RMSE=10.5 t/ha

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership



Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2065

## **A.172 Thailand**

Map source: Country submission

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 70000

Sampling period: 2015

SOC analysis method: Walkey and Black method

BD analysis method: undisturbed sampling

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Geomatching

Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Land Development Department

Contact: Suradesh Tiewtrakool [dgldd@ldd.go.th](mailto:dgldd@ldd.go.th)

## **A.173 North Macedonia**

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### **Point data**

Number of samples: 3301

Sampling period: 1951-2013

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation

BD analysis method: No Data

### **Mapping method**

Mapping method details: Caret ensemble of Random Forest, Cubist, KNN, Bayesian trees, Partial Least Squares Regression, Principal Components Regression

Validation statistics: No Data

### **Contact**

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de

Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2017

## A.174 Timor-Leste

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. *PLoS ONE* 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.175 Togo

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 9

Sampling period: 1985-1997

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied;

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry;

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, *Earth Syst. Sci. Data*, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2017

## A.176 Tokelau

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.177 Tonga

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: soilgrids.org

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.178 Trinidad and Tobago

Map source: Joint Effort with GSP

### Point data

Number of samples: 122

Sampling period: 1967-1972

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation

BD analysis method: cores

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support vector machine based on statistical simulation of the position of sampling points

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: University of The West Indies

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Institution: University of The West Indies

## A.179 Tunisia

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 58

Sampling period: 1965-2004

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2067

## A.180 Turkey

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 7742

Sampling period: 2008-2009

SOC analysis method: Total Organic Carbon Analyzer (Dry combustion)

BD analysis method: paraffin coating

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Multiple Regression Kriging

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: General Directorate of Agricultural Research And Policies, Soil, Fertilizer and Water Resources Central Research Institute Ankara, TURKEY

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Citation: within the context of "Establishment of National Geospatial Soil Fertility and Soil Information System" Project UTF/TUR/057/TUR, in collaboration with FAO

## A.181 Turkmenistan

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and the original data provided by Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Validation statistics:  $R^2 = 0.88$ , RMSE=10.5 t/ha

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2017

## A.182 Tuvalu

Map source: External dataset: soilgrids.org

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.183 Uganda

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 12

Sampling period: 1988

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Burundi, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Rwanda, Uganda

Validation statistics: MAE=16 t/ha; RMSE=19.1 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2068

## A.184 Ukraine

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 3931

Sampling period: 1964-2016

SOC analysis method: Most of the samples: Tyurin method (ISO 10694:1995), 5 samples: mid-infrared spectrometry, peat samples: Zeydelman method (based on ash content)

BD analysis method: Measures in the field, ISO 11272:1998

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: For mineral soils: ME=0.1 t/ha, MAE=13.2 t/ha, RMSE=18.2 t/ha, R<sup>2</sup>=0.56. For peat soils: ME=-1.2 t/ha, MAE=18.7 t/ha, RMSE=24.5 t/ha, R<sup>2</sup>=0.22.

## Contact

Data Holder: National Scientific Center "Institute for Soil Science and Agrochemistry Research named after O.N. Sokolovsky" (NSC ISSAR) and contributors

Contact: Sviatoslav Baliuk [pochva@meta.ua](mailto:pochva@meta.ua)

Citation: K.V. Viatkin, Yu.V. Zalavskiy, V.V. Lebed, O.I. Sherstyuk, O.M. Bihun, I.V. Plisko, S.G. Nakisko. Digital mapping of soil organic carbon stocks in Ukraine (2019) Agrochemistry and Soil Science. Collected papers. No. 88. Kharkiv: NSC ISSAR, P. 5-11. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.31073/acss88-01>.

## A.185 United Arab Emirates

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 0

Sampling period: No Data

SOC analysis method: No Data

BD analysis method: No Data

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2018

## A.186 United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 17421

Sampling period: England and Wales: 1979-1983, Scotland: 1947-1988, Northern Ireland: 1988-1997

SOC analysis method: Organic carbon was measured by loss-on-ignition for soils estimated to contain more than about 20% organic carbon, or by dichromate digestion and/or CHN Elemental

Analysed

BD analysis method: Measured bulk density measured using intact cores or predicted by regression equation

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Cranfield University

Contact: Caroline Keay c.keay@cranfield.ac.uk

Citation: Bradley, R.I., Milne, R., Bell, J., Lilly, A., Jordan, C. and Higgins, A. (2005), A soil carbon and land use database for the United Kingdom. Soil Use and Management, 21: 363-369. doi:10.1079/SUM2005351

## A.187 United Republic of Tanzania

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 3215

Sampling period: after 1992

SOC analysis method: Wet oxidation

BD analysis method: Undisturbed sampling

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: R. Kriging, Random Forest

Validation statistics: ME: -0.00, MAE: 12.3 t/ha, RMSE: 18.0 t/ha, R2: 0.53

### Contact

Data Holder: Agricultural Research Institute Mlingano

Contact: Joseph D. Mbogoni jdjmbogoni@gmail.com

Citation: Kempen, B. 2016. Development of a soil carbon map for the United Republic of Tanzania. ISRIC, Wageningen.

## A.188 United States of America

Map source: Country submission



### Point data

Number of samples: 10000

Sampling period: 1950-2015

SOC analysis method: multiple methods over time - primarily dry combustion

BD analysis method: Bulk density measured on undisturbed clods coated in saran (KSSL, 2014)

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: No Data

Validation statistics: No Data

### Contact

Data Holder: Natural Resource Conservation Service

Contact: Micheal Robotham michael.robatham@wdc.usda.gov

## A.189 Uruguay

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 160

Sampling period: 1964-1982

SOC analysis method: Oxidation with potassium dichromate and sulfuric acid without external heat application (Walkey Black method) Factor 1.3 is used to estimate the total organic C from the C oxidized

BD analysis method: Imperturbed sampling with cylinders with 100 mL edge, with sampler Eijkelkamp. Expansion in water for 48 hours, adjust to the volume of 100mL dried in stove to 105 and weight the sample. Also in several profiles the apparent density was estimated with local pedotransference model (Fernandez 1979)

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Multiple linear regression, R Kriging,

Validation statistics: RMSE = 0.4566, MAE= 0.3558, me\_mean= -0.0002158, R2=0.5549

### Contact

Data Holder: Direccion General de Recursos Naturales

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Citation: Direccion General de Recursos Naturales-DGRN Ministerio de Ganaderia y Agricultura y Pesca-MGAP - Uruguay 2017

## A.190 Uzbekistan

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 4969

Sampling period: 1998-2008

SOC analysis method: Tyurin method

BD analysis method: BD sampling provided in accordance with manuals of soil survey

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest model based on the ensemble globally available data from Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and the original data provided by Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Validation statistics:  $R^2 = 0.88$ , RMSE=10.5 t/ha

### Contact

Data Holder: UZGIP Design and Research Institute

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## A.191 Vanuatu

Map source: External dataset: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

### Contact

Data Holder: ISRIC World Soil Information

Contact: [soilgrids.org](http://soilgrids.org)

Citation: Hengl, T., Mendes de Jesus, J., Heuvelink, G. B.M., Ruiperez Gonzalez, M., Kilibarda, M. *et al.* (2017) SoilGrids250m: global gridded soil information based on Machine Learning. PLoS ONE 12(2): e0169748. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0169748.

## A.192 Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Map source: Country submission

### Point data

Number of samples: 310

Sampling period: 1960-2000

SOC analysis method: Walkley Black

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Random Forest

Validation statistics: RMSE = 41.1 t/ha, R<sup>2</sup> = 0.0272, Mean error = 12.8 t/ha, Mean absolute error = 19.6 t/ha

## Contact

Data Holder: Sociedad Venezolana de la Ciencia del Suelo (SVCS)

Contact: Juan C.Rey svcs.org

## A.193 Viet Nam

Map source: Country submission

## Point data

Number of samples: 1024

Sampling period: 1990-2016

SOC analysis method: Walkley Black- Wet Oxidation

BD analysis method: Soil sample was collected at natural status by a 100 cubic centimeters metal tube/ cylinder plug directly into soil layer

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Regression Kriging

Validation statistics: ME: -0.000242; MAE: 0.286; RMSE: 0.3858; R: 0.511

## Contact

Data Holder: Soils and Fertilizers Research Institute

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## A.194 Yemen

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 270

Sampling period: 1969-1990

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: No Data

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates, Western Sahara and Yemen

Validation statistics: No Data

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

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Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2069

## A.195 Zambia

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

## Point data

Number of samples: 460

Sampling period: 1963-1984

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

## Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

## Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2070

## A.196 Zimbabwe

Map source: GSP Gap-Filling

### Point data

Number of samples: 179

Sampling period: 1964-2010

SOC analysis method: wet oxidation with Sulphuric acid [H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>] - Potassiumbichromate [K<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>] (and Phosphoric acid [H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>]) mixture, temperature = no external heat, detection = titrimetric, calculation = default (Walkley and Black) correction factor for recovery of 1.3 applied

BD analysis method: undisturbed soil in metal/PVC-ring (soil core) (soil sufficiently coherent), measurement condition = oven dry; clod reconstituted from  $\leq 2$  mm sample formed by wetting and dessication cycles that stimulate reconsolidating by water in a field setting, measurement condition = equilibrated at 33 kPa

### Mapping method

Mapping method details: Support Vector Machines model based on the ensemble globally available data from Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Congo (the Democratic Republic of the), Gabon, Guinea, Burundi, Central African Republic, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Rwanda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Validation statistics: MAE=2.7 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; RMSE=4.4 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; R<sup>2</sup>=0.17

### Contact

Data Holder: Global Soil Partnership

Contact: <http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/>

Institution: Global Soil Partnership

Citation: Batjes, N. H., Ribeiro, E., van Oostrum, A., Leenaars, J., Hengl, T., and Mendes de Jesus, J.: WoSIS: providing standardised soil profile data for the world, Earth Syst. Sci. Data, 9, 1-14, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-9-1-2017>, 2017

## Appendix B

# Metadata questionnaire

### B.1 Source data

- total number of soil profiles/sampling locations;
- type of sampling (profiles/augers/topsoil);
- number of locations for each sampling method;
- sampling Period (e.g. 1980-2007);
- georeferencing (GPS coordinates/Location names);
- depth of sampling;
- sampling design (e.g. transect, catena, land use etc.);

### B.2 Analysis methods

- methods of soil organic carbon analysis;
- methods of bulk density analysis (measured/estimated);
  - details about the sampling;
  - pedotransfer functions, default values, citations;
  - external datasets (HWSD, SoilGrids.org);
- methods of coarse fragments (measured/estimated/NA)
  - coarse fragments unit (e.g. percent volume / percent weight)
- peat (sampling and description method);

## B.3 Mapping

- mapping method (DSM / conventional upscaling);
  - method(s) used (e.g. multiple linear regression, regression-kriging, random forest...);
- map quality measures (digital soil mapping)
  - mean error, mean absolute error, root mean squared error, amount of variance explained;
- units (tonnes/ha, kg/m<sup>2</sup>);
- resampling method (if used);

## B.4 Contact details

- submitter contact details;
- institute (data holder / handler);
- citation;
- update frequency;
- comments, remarks;

## Appendix C

# Changelog file of the GSOCmap

GSOCmap:

change log. From 30/05/2019. Most recent changes first / on top.

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VERSION 1.5.0

- \* New Country Submissions: AFG, CMR, GMB, MDG
- \* Joint Effort: BIH, COD, CZE, IRN, PSE
- \* Improved Country Submissions: ARG, CHL, CUB, DEU, GHA, KHM
- \* Improved Gap-filling: AGO, BEN, BFA, BWA, CAF, CIV, GIN, GNB, LBR, NAM, SLE, SSD, TGO, ZMB, ZWE, BDI, COG, GAB, GNQ, RWA, UGA
- \* Improved bulk density estimation for gap-filling maps in Sub-Saharan Africa, using Random Forest prediction
- \* Major inland water surfaces have been masked out from the map.
- \* Corrections made in the metadata and list of contributors

VERSION 1.2.0

- \* Country Submission: CHL, COL

VERSION 1.1.0 -> (Public)

- \* Improved Maps: CMR, KHM
- \* Country Submission: RWA

VERSION 0.14.2 -> VERSION 1.0.0 (Public)

- \* Major inland water Surfaces have been masked out from the map.

VERSION 0.14

- \* New Submissions: DOM, HTI
- \* FRA has been added to the map (Official Submission)
- \* Improved maps for ALB, BIH, VRI, CXR, FSM, HRV, MNP, NFK, PLW, SGP, SPM



VERSION 0.13b

- \* FRA has been added to the map (GSP gap Filling).

VERSION 0.13a

- \* Improved maps submitted by ECU, URU, PER
- \* FRA has been removed from the map "official request"

VERSION 0.12.1

- \* Corrected map submitted by DEU
- \* Improved maps for KAZ, UZB, TKM, TJK,

VERSION 0.12

- \* New country submissions: JOR, SVN
- \* Improved map of BRA submitted by the country
- \* Improved maps for KAZ, UZB, TKM, TJK, AFG and PAK using data provided by KAZ and UZB + WOSIS
- \* Improved GSP gapfilling maps for SVK, DEU and small EU countries: AND, CYP, FRO, GGY, GIB, IMN, JEY, LIE, MCO, VAT, XAD, XNC

VERSION 0.11.1

- \* New country submission: SDN
- \* Joint effort: improved map IND

VERSION 0.11

- \* Joint effort: IND, LAO
- \* Improved map MAR

VERSION 0.10

- \* Improved the procedure for filling the NA values between the country borders: a 5km buffer along the borders was used for gap-filling, excluding water bodies and coastlines; no inland water bodies or urban areas were gap-filled.

VERSION 0.9.1

- \* Joint effort: SYR
- \* Improved maps of ETH, ARM submitted by the countries

VERSION 0.9

- \* SWE Improved
- \* Gapfilling using LUCAS Soil (GSP): SVK, SVN, ISL and small EU countries: AND, CYP, FRO, GGY, GIB, IMN, JEY, LIE, MCO, VAT, XAD

- \* Gapfilling GSP for Carribean (BHS) and GUY, GUF
- \* Joint Effort: HTI, JAM
- \* New Submission: DNK, SWZ
- \* Updated Map: MOZ
- \* Gapfilling (SoilGrids): Small islands
- \* Removed No Data zones at borderlines (GDAL, gdal\_fillnodata.py, This algorithm will interpolate values for all designated nodata pixels. For each pixel a four direction conic search is done to find values to interpolate from (using inverse distance weighting).
- \* Changed SoilGrids Source Data (1km to 250 m)
- \* Removed Outliers (USA, BRA, DNK)
- \* Applied global mask

#### VERSION 0.8

- \* new corrected map from PRY
- \* new version of MOZ map submitted by the country
- \* updated model for MLI
- \* improved estimation of 0-30 stocks for ESP, IRL, FRA, GRC, BGR, ROU, LTU, LVA, POL, CZE, EST

#### VERSION 0.7

- \* Improved bulk density estimation: CHN, BEN, BFA, CIV, GHA, GIN, GNB, LBR, MLI, NGA, SEN, SLE, TGO, BDI, CAF, COD, RWA, SSD, UGA, ZMB, ZWE

#### VERSION 0.5

- \* FIN and TZA replaced with the country data
- \* New Data: CHE, MKD, MLT
- \* Calculation errors fixed: CUB, IDN, MOZ, MWI
- \* Improved Model: ESP, IRL, FRA, GRC, BGR, ROU, LTU, LVA, POL, CZE, EST
- \* Gap Filling (SoilGrids): BGD, LAO, KHM, KOR, PRK, HND, GTM, JAM, HTI, BHS

#### VERSION 0.4

- \* Reduced size (VERSION 0.3 exported as Version 0.4 in R (raster pkg))

#### VERSION 0.3

- \* Removed reported outliers (above 2000) and minus values

#### VERSION 0.1

- \* First map combining the following 0.1 maps:
 

[1] "pred/soilgrids/AFG.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/ALB.tif"
[3] "pred/soilgrids/BIH.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/GEO.tif"
[5] "pred/soilgrids/GUF.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/GUY.tif"
[7] "pred/soilgrids/HRV.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/IRN.tif"

[9] "pred/soilgrids/KGZ.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/MDG.tif"
[11] "pred/soilgrids/MNE.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/PAK.tif"
[13] "pred/soilgrids/PNG.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/SRBXKO.tif"
[15] "pred/soilgrids/TJK.tif"	"pred/soilgrids/TKM.tif"
[17] "pred/Joint-notsubmitted/CUB.tif"	"pred/Joint-notsubmitted/SUR.tif"
[19] "pred/Joint-notsubmitted/TTO.tif"	"pred/GSP/AGO.tif"
[21] "pred/GSP/ARE.tif"	"pred/GSP/BDI.tif"
[23] "pred/GSP/BEN.tif"	"pred/GSP/BFA.tif"
[25] "pred/GSP/BLR.tif"	"pred/GSP/BWA.tif"
[27] "pred/GSP/CAF.tif"	"pred/GSP/CHN.tif"
[29] "pred/GSP/CIV.tif"	"pred/GSP/CMR.tif"
[31] "pred/GSP/COD.tif"	"pred/GSP/COG.tif"
[33] "pred/GSP/DZA.tif"	"pred/GSP/EGY.tif"
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[51] "pred/GSP/MLI.tif"	"pred/GSP/MMR.tif"
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[55] "pred/GSP/NER.tif"	"pred/GSP/NGA.tif"
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[157]	"pred/own/USA_prvi.tif"	"pred/own/UZB.tif"
[159]	"pred/own/VEN.tif"	"pred/own/VNM.tif"

## Appendix D

# Example scripts used in GSP gapfilling

The scripts used for the different maps prepared by the GSP Secretariat are based in the ones presented in the SOC Mapping Cookbook (Yigini *et al.*, 2018).

### D.1 Data preparation for soil profiles

```
dat <- read.csv(file = "data/horizons.csv")

# Explore the data
str(dat)
summary(dat)

dat_sites <- read.csv(file = "data/site-level.csv")

# Explore the data
str(dat_sites)

# summary of column CRF (Coarse Fragments) in the example data base
summary(dat$CRF)

# Convert NA's to 0
dat$CRF[is.na(dat$CRF)] <- 0

hist(dat$CRF)

# Creating a function in R to estimate BLD using the SOC
# SOC is the soil organic carbon content in \%
estimateBD <- function(SOC, method="Saini_1996"){
  OM <- SOC * 1.724
  if(method=="Saini_1996"){BD <- 1.62 - 0.06 * OM}
  if(method=="Drew_1973"){BD <- 1 / (0.6268 + 0.0361 * OM)}
  if(method=="Jeffrey_1979"){BD <- 1.482 - 0.6786 * (log(OM))}
```

```

if(method=="Grigal_1989"){BD <- 0.669 + 0.941 * exp(1)^(-0.06 * OM)}
if(method=="Adams_1973"){BD <- 100 / (OM / 0.244 + (100 - OM)/2.65)}
if(method=="Honeyset_Ratkowsky_1989"){BD <- 1/(0.564 + 0.0556 * OM)}
return(BD)
}

# summary of BLD (bulk density) in the example data base
summary(dat$BLD)

# See the summary of values produced using the pedo-transfer
# function with one of the proposed methods.
summary(estimateBD(dat$SOC[is.na(dat$BLD)], m
              ethod="Honeyset_Ratkowsky_1989"))

# Fill NA's using the pedotransfer function:
dat$BLD[is.na(dat$BLD)] <- estimateBD(dat$SOC[is.na(dat$BLD)],
                                      method="Grigal_1989")

# explore the results
boxplot(dat$BLD)

# Load aqp package
library(aqp)

# Promote to SoilProfileCollection
# The SoilProfileCollection is a object class in R designed to
# handle soil profiles
depths(dat) <- ProfID ~ top + bottom

# Merge the soil horizons information with the site-level
# information from dat_sites
site(dat) <- dat_sites

# Set spatial coordinates
coordinates(dat) <- ~ X + Y

# A summary of our SoilProfileCollection
dat

library(GSIF)

## Estimate 0-30 standard horizon usin mass preserving splines
try(SOC <- mpspline(dat, 'SOC', d = t(c(0,30))))
try(BLD <- mpspline(dat, 'BLD', d = t(c(0,30))))
try(CRFVOL <- mpspline(dat, 'CRF', d = t(c(0,30))))

## Prepare final data frame
dat <- data.frame(id = dat@site$ProfID,

```

```

        Y = dat@sp@coords[,2],
        X = dat@sp@coords[,1],
        SOC = SOC$var.std[,1],
        BLD = BLD$var.std[,1],
        CRFVOL = CRFVOL$var.std[,1])

dat <- dat[complete.cases(dat),]

## Take a look to the results
head(dat)

# Estimate Organic Carbon Stock
# SOC must be in g/kg
# BLD in kg/m3
# CRF in percentage
OCSKGM <- OCSKGM(ORCDRC = dat$SOC, BLD = dat$BLD*1000,
                CRFVOL = dat$CRFVOL, HSIZE = 30)

dat$OCSKGM <- OCSKGM
dat$meaERROR <- attr(OCSKGM, "measurementError")
dat <- dat[dat$OCSKGM>0,]
summary(dat)

## We can save our processed data as a table
write.csv(dat, "data/dataproc.csv")

```

## D.2 Mixing covariates and soil points data

```

# Load the processed data. This table was prepared in the previous
# chapter.
dat <- read.csv("data/dataproc.csv")

files <- list.files(path = "covs", pattern = "tif$",
                  full.names = TRUE)

covs <- stack(files)

covs <- stack(covs, soilmap.r)

# correct the name for layer 14
names(covs)[14] <- "soilmap"

#mask the covariates with the country mask from the data repository
mask <- raster("data/mask.tif")

covs <- mask(x = covs, mask = mask)

```

```

plot(covs)

#upgrade points data frame to SpatialPointsDataFrame
coordinates(dat) <- ~ X + Y

# extract values from covariates to the soil points
dat <- extract(x = covs, y = dat, sp = TRUE)

# LCEE10 and soilmap are categorical variables
dat@data$LCEE10 <- as.factor(dat@data$LCEE10)
dat@data$soilmap <- as.factor(dat@data$soilmap)

#levels(soilmap) <- Symbol.levels

summary(dat@data)

dat <- as.data.frame(dat)

# The points with NA values has to be removed
dat <- dat[complete.cases(dat),]

# export as a csv table
write.csv(dat, "data/MKD_RegMatrix.csv", row.names = FALSE)

```

### D.3 Fitting a RK model to predict the OCS

```

# load data
dat <- read.csv("data/MKD_RegMatrix.csv")

dat$LCEE10 <- as.factor(dat$LCEE10)
dat$soilmap <- as.factor(dat$soilmap)

# explore the data structure
str(dat)

library(sp)

# Promote to spatialPointsDataFrame
coordinates(dat) <- ~ X + Y

class(dat)

dat@proj4string <- CRS(proj4args = "+init=epsg:4326")

dat@proj4string

library(raster)

```



```

# list all the tif files in the folder covs/
files <- list.files(path = "covs", pattern = "tif$",
                    full.names = TRUE)

# load all the tif files in one rasterStack object
covs <- stack(files)

# load the vectorial version of the soil map
soilmap <- shapefile("MK_soilmap_simple.shp")

# rasterize using the Symbol layer
soilmap@data$Symbol <- as.factor(soilmap@data$Symbol)
soilmap.r <- rasterize(x = soilmap, y = covs[[1]], field = "Symbol")

# stack the soil map and the other covariates
covs <- stack(covs, soilmap.r)

# correct the name for layer 14
names(covs)[14] <- "soilmap"

# print the names of the 14 layers:
names(covs)

datdf <- dat@data

datdf <- datdf[, c("OCSKGM", names(covs))]

## Fit a multiple linear regression model between the log transformed values
## of OCS and the top 20 covariates
model.MLR <- lm(log(OCSKGM) ~ ., data = datdf)

## stepwise variable selection
model.MLR.step <- step(model.MLR, direction="both")

## summary and anova of the new model using stepwise covariates selection
summary(model.MLR.step)
anova(model.MLR.step)

## graphical diagnosis of the regression analysis
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(model.MLR.step)
par(mfrow=c(1,1))

## collinearity test using variance inflation factors
library(car)
vif(model.MLR.step)

#problematic covariates should have sqrt(VIF) > 2

```

```

sqrt(vif(model.MLR.step))

## Removing B07CHE3 from the stepwise model:
model.MLR.step <- update(model.MLR.step, . ~ . - B07CHE3)

# Test the vif again:
sqrt(vif(model.MLR.step))

## summary of the new model using stepwise covariates selection
summary(model.MLR.step)

# outlier test using the Bonferroni test
outlierTest(model.MLR.step)

# Project point data.
dat <- spTransform(dat, CRS("+init=epsg:6204"))

# project covariates to VN-2000 UTM 48N
covs <- projectRaster(covs, crs = CRS("+init=epsg:6204"), method='ngb')
covs$LCEE10 <- as.factor(covs$LCEE10)
covs$soilmap <- as.factor(covs$soilmap)

## Promote covariates to spatial grid dataframe.
covs.sp <- as(covs, "SpatialGridDataFrame")
covs.sp$LCEE10 <- as.factor(covs.sp$LCEE10)
covs.sp$soilmap <- as.factor(covs.sp$soilmap)

### RK model
library(automap)

## Run regression kriging prediction. This step can take hours...!
OCS.krige <- autoKrige(formula = as.formula(model.MLR.step$call$formula),
                      input_data = dat,
                      new_data = covs.sp,
                      verbose = TRUE,
                      block = c(1000, 1000))

OCS.krige

## Convert prediction and standard deviation to rasters
## And back-transform the vlaues
RKprediction <- exp(raster(OCS.krige$krige_output[1]))
RKpredsd <- exp(raster(OCS.krige$krige_output[3]))

plot(RKprediction)

```

```
## Save results as tif files
writeRaster(RKprediction, filename = "results/MKD_OCSKGM_RK.tif")
writeRaster(RKpredsd, filename = "results/MKD_OCSKGM_RKpredsd.tif")

# save the model
saveRDS(model.MLR.step, file="results/RKmodel.Rds")
```

## D.4 Fitting a random forest model to predict the OCS

```
library(reshape)

# Correlation analysis to select covariates
names(dat)
COR <- cor(as.matrix(dat[,7]), as.matrix(dat[,c(1:8)]))
COR
x <- subset(melt(COR), value != 1 | value != NA)
x <- x[with(x, order(-abs(x$value))),]
x[1:25,]

idx <- as.character(x$X2[1:25])

dat2 <- dat[c('OCSKGM', idx)]
names(dat2)

COVall <- COV
COV <- COV[[idx]]

plot(COV)

library(randomForest)

# Try different values of mtry and select the model with the optimal value
model <- tuneRF(dat[,c(names(COV))], dat$OCSKGM, stepFactor=1.5, doBest = TRUE,
               improve = 0.5)

# Use the model to predict the SOC in the covariates space
beginCluster()
start <- Sys.time()
pred <- clusterR(COV, predict, args=list(model))
print(Sys.time() - start)
endCluster()
```

## D.5 Fitting a svm model to predict the OCS

```
# Correlation analysis to select covariates
names(dat)
COR <- cor(as.matrix(dat[,7]), as.matrix(dat[, -c(1:8)]))
COR
x <- subset(melt(COR), value != 1 | value != NA)
x <- x[with(x, order(-abs(x$value))),]
x[1:25,]

idx <- as.character(x$X2[1:25])

dat2 <- dat[c('OCSKGM', idx)]
names(dat2)

COVall <- COV
COV <- COV[[idx]]

plot(COV)

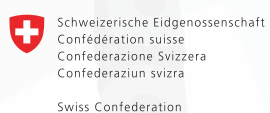
library(e1071)
library(caret)

# Test different values of epsilon and cost
tuneResult <- tune(svm, OCSKGM ~., data = dat[,c("OCSKGM", names(COV))],
                  ranges = list(epsilon = seq(0,1,0.1),
                                cost = c(.5,1,1.5,2,5,10))
)

# Choose the model with the best combination of epsilon and cost
tunedModel <- tuneResult$best.model

# Use the model to predict the SOC in the covariates space
beginCluster()
start <- Sys.time()
pred <- clusterR(COV, predict, args=list(tunedModel))
print(Sys.time() - start)
endCluster()
```

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