

Selected Newly Added Documents on EUGRIS

EUGRIS now has a new easier to use format, which I hope you will find the time to have a quick look at. 23 resources, events projects and news items were added to EUGRIS 1 -27 May 2008. These can be viewed at: <http://www.eugris.info/whatsnew.asp>

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Resources added include this selection:

**Silgram, M et al 2008**

**Evaluating catchment-scale models for diffuse pollution policy support: some results from the EUROHARP project.**

**EXTRACT:** The outputs from the EUROHARP project have a number of important implications for the use of models to support diffuse pollution policy in the EU. The outcomes suggested that the policy support tools tested are capable of acceptable performance in modelling flows, nutrient concentrations and loads in five out of the six test catchments considered by the study. Results also demonstrated that diffuse pollution tools can be successfully applied to catchments where agricultural practices contrast markedly from those characterising the study areas underpinning the development of individual models. Such adaptability conveys significant benefits by demonstrating that some diffuse pollution tools have the flexibility required for demanding and strategic policy support purposes.

**Andreas Kortenkamp**

**Breast cancer and exposure to hormonally active chemicals: An appraisal of the scientific evidence, 2008**

This report by UK researchers summarises the evidence for the link between breast cancer and environmental influences. Exposure to hormone-disruptive chemicals, such as hormone replacement therapy (HRT) drugs, is thought to be a key factor, but there are other relevant chemicals found in the environment, such as pesticides and phthalates (widely used in consumer products, such as plastics). Individually, these may not cause breast cancer, but there is scientific concern about the 'cocktail effect', where exposure to a combination of these chemicals may interact with hormones to trigger cancer.

**EC DG Environment, 2008**

**Sustainable Development Web Page**

The overall aim of the EU Sustainable Development Strategy is to identify and develop actions to enable the EU to achieve a continuous long-term improvement of quality of life through the creation of sustainable communities able to manage and use resources efficiently, able to tap the ecological and social innovation potential of the economy and in the end able to ensure prosperity, environmental protection and social cohesion. The strategy sets overall objectives and concrete actions for seven key priority challenges for the coming period until 2010

**CL:AIE, 2008**

**The Definition of Waste: Development Industry Code of Practice**

The UK demonstration network CL:AIRE is co-ordinating a consultation to develop a protocol for facilitating soil; re-use by defining when it is a 'product' rather than a 'waste'. This is the first consultation document for a Code of Practice