

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. 116 resources, events projects and news items were added to EUGRIS 1 –24 March 2009. These can be viewed at: <http://www.eugris.info/whatsnew.asp>

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Resources added include this selection:

Scottish Vacant and Derelict Land Survey 2008

This bulletin presents a summary of results from the 2008 Scottish Vacant and Derelict Land Survey (SVDLS). It is the seventeenth survey in a series including the first pilot study in 1988, the first completed survey in 1990, and enhanced surveys conducted annually since 1993. The survey is the only national data source for vacant and derelict land. There were 10,832 hectares of derelict and urban vacant land recorded in the 2008 survey, of which 2,630 hectares (24%) were urban vacant and 8,203 hectares were derelict (76%).

Using Organic Wastes and Composts to Remediate and Restore Land Best Practice Manual

This Manual of Best Practice provides a comprehensive framework and detailed description of the ways in which composts created from bulk organic materials may be used alone or mixed with mineral wastes for the restoration of a wide range of derelict land sites to create green landscapes which encompass newly created habitats of conservation value. The manual carefully explains every step in the process, starting with the legal and regulatory framework, via the various methods of producing compost, establishing a compost site and using the product for creation of habitats for conservation and biodiversity and the remediation of contaminated sites.

Project

EAQC – WISE European Analytical Quality Control in support of the water framework directive via the Water Information System for Europe

EAQC – WISE is a Specific Targeted Research Project of the 6th European Union Framework Programme and Priority 8, which promotes activities in support of the development and implementation of EU policies. The projects aims at producing a blue print of an efficient and potentially sustainable QC system for WFD implementation.