

*International Conference and
Field Workshop
on Soil Classification*

Chile - 2008

Soil: A work of art of the Nature

Santiago – Ovalle – Chillán

9th – 17th November

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Third announcement

Dear Colleagues:

With this third announcement we cordially invite you to join the The International Conference and Field Workshops on Soil Classification to be held in Santiago, Chile, from November 9rd to 17th, 2008. The aim of the present Chile Meeting in 2008 is to bring together scientists and researchers in the fields of soil classification and related areas from all over the world to discuss recent progress and future trends in The World Reference Base (WRB) for Soil Resources, originally an initiative of FAO and UNESCO, supported by UNEP and the International Society of Soil Science which dates back to 1980. The Conference is organized jointly International Union of Soil Sciences, The Chilean Society of Soil Sciences, The Chilean Agriculture Ministry, University of Chile, University of Concepcion, University of La Serena and The Center of Advanced Studies in Arid Zones.

We heartily look forward to meeting you at Santiago Conference 2008, which will provide you with a wealth of outstanding scientific information and a great opportunity to interact with many colleagues in an excellent environment.

The event will consist of.

General Program Schedule

The program of the Conferences will include three main sections, plenary sessions of Conference and Field workshops:

Pre-Conference Tour (North: Ovalle-Tongoy-Ovalle)

Oral and Poster Sessions (Santiago)

Post-Conference Tour (South: Chillán-Talca)

Second section will include invited oral presentations, extended poster sessions for volunteer participants, and discussion. A limited number of volunteer papers will be accepted for oral presentation by the Scientific Committee.

A limited number of participants will be accepted for each Field Workshop (approximately not more than 50 persons). This number includes the members of the WRB Working Group and officers of the IUSS Commissions, whose participation is essential. Thus, if the number of participants would be greater, the rule "first come" will work.

The general schedule of the conference and workshops is the following:

Sunday 9th Nov. (Pre-Conference Tour – IV Region)

Santiago – Ovalle (IVth Region). Start: 9:30 h.

- Andosol or Phaeozem/Mollisol (Experimental Station-G.G. *Silva*).
- Lunch in Los Vilos
- Nigth in Ovalle

Monday 10th Nov.

Ovalle – Tongoy- Ovalle. Start: 8:30 h.

- Technosol (Mine wastes)/Entisols
- Durisol (Experimental Station *Las Cardas*)/Aridisol
- Lunch in Las Cardas
- Calcisol (Tongoy)/Aridisol
- Vertisol (Ovalle)
- Night in Ovalle

Tuesday 11th Nov.

Ovalle– Santiago

- Solonetz (Huentelauquén)/Alfisol
- Lunch in Huentelauquén
- Arenosol (Los Vilos)/Entisol
- Arrive to Santiago: 17:00 h.

(Conference- Santiago of Chile) Wednesday 12th Nov.- Friday 14th Nov.

The Conference is to be held in a Main Building of University of Chile, at Santiago (**Av. B. O'Higgins 1058**). The number of participants will be limited to approximately 150 persons.

Time	Wednesday 12th	Thursday 13th	Friday 14th
8 ³⁰ -9 ⁰⁰ h	Registration opens		
9 ⁰⁰ -9 ³⁰ h			
9 ³⁰ -10 ⁰⁰ h	Opening session	<i>Extreme soils</i> (Oral Session 3)	<i>Practical applications of soil classification</i> (Oral Session 5)
10 ⁰⁰ -10 ³⁰ h	Speakers		
10 ³⁰ -11 ⁰⁰ h	Break	Break	Break
11 ⁰⁰ -12 ⁰⁰ h	<i>Soil classification and people</i> (Oral Session 1)	Poster session	Poster session
12 ⁰⁰ -12 ³⁰ h			Closing session: Dr. Erick Zagal, President of Chilean Society of Soil Sciences.
12 ³⁰ -13 ⁰⁰	Lunch	Lunch	
13 ⁰⁰ -14 ⁰⁰ h			
14 ⁰⁰ -16 ⁰⁰ h	<i>Soil classification in the Americas</i> (Oral Session 2)	<i>World Reference Base for Soil Resources: an Universal Soil Classification?</i> (Oral Session 4)	
16 ⁰⁰ -17 ³⁰ h	Poster session	Poster session	

19 ⁰⁰ h	Ice breaker	Conference dinner	
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Saturday 15th Nov. (Post-Conference Tour – VII & VIII Regions)

Santiago – Thermal baths. Start: 9:30 h
 - Phaeozem (*San Pedro* vineyard, Molina). Mollisol

- Lunch at Molina Estate – wine tasting
- Nigth in Thermal baths

Sunday 16th Nov.

Thermal baths – Cauquenes – Talca. Start: 8:30 h

- Andosol (Pinto). Andisol
- Alisol (El Carmen). Ultisol
- Lunch at farm.
- Luvisol (Ninhue). Alfisol
- Night in Talca.

Monday 17th Nov.

Talca – Santiago

- Andosol (Bramadero). Andisol
- Luvisol (Experimental Station *San Agustín de Aurora*). Alfisol
- Lunch (San Agustín de Aurora)
- Santiago around 17:00 h

Registration fees

Registration fees include:

Conference: admission to the sessions, the book of abstracts, the congress kit, lunches, coffee breaks, ice breaker and conference dinner.

Workshops: transport, field discussion sessions, lunches in field, hotels, technical tour-guide.

Prices (**)		Before May 31th , 2008	After May 31th , 2008
Conference	Participants	US\$250	US\$300
	Students	US\$200	US\$250
		Before June 30th , 2008	
North Workshop	Participants	US\$500	
	Students*	US\$400	
South Workshop	Participants	US\$500	
	Students*	US\$400	

(*):The student will credit, with a letter of his/her institution, regular student's condition, and his/her reservations consider double rooms during the workshops

(**):These prices are preliminary, because according to the fluctuations of the dollar many of the reservations can change significantly during the next months. [The price changes escape to the control of the organizing committee](#)

Important Deadlines.

Pre-registration - **now**

Registration with abstract – **March 31, 2008**

Acceptation of abstracts (4rd Announcement) – **May 31, 2008**

Deadlines to register and to pay the trips: **June 30, 2008**

Language

The language of the conference will be only english.

Hotels associated to the event, close to Building Conference

(Av. B. O'Higgins # 1058)

<http://www.scc2008.uchile.cl/hotels%20and%20conference.pps>

Blocks of rooms have been reserved at the following hotels by the official travel agency, for the convenience of participants. To ensure your reservation at the reduced convention rate, please make your hotel reservation at your earliest convenience.

Service (**)	Address	Single room	Double room
<i>Gran Palace Hotel</i>	Huérfanos # 1178	56*	74
<i>Diego de Almagro Hotel</i>	Av. B. O'Higgins # 1485	81	96
<i>Galerías Hotel</i>	San Antonio # 65	145	168
<i>Plaza San Francisco Hotel</i>	Av. B. O'Higgins # 819	156	162
<i>Caesar Business Hotel</i>	Av. B. O'Higgins # 632	191	205

(*) US\$ per person

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Publications

The volumes of Conference Abstracts and Field Workshop materials are considered. Also the volume of extended abstracts is planned: the form of publication. All the selected papers will be published in a full-text form and will be announced later.

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The abstract and papers should be send to Scientific Committee, particularly to Dr. Otto Spaargaren (otto.spaargaren@wur.nl)

Additional information

The payments of the pre and post-conference tours as well as accompanying person will be paid to the **Official Travel Agency**.

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