

Joint French-South-East Asia Research and Training initiative

DYNAMIC OF LAND USE CHANGES AND SOIL ECOSYSTEM SERVICES (LUSES)



Internal call for small proposals

Year 2013

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Title of the project
Workshop on how to write scientific articles in English for international journals in the domain of environmental science

LMI partners (French)*	BIOEMCO
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LMI partners (Asian)*	Khon Kaen University
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Others Partners	
Western Countries	
Asian Countries	

Type of support	Amount (€)
Deadline (14 th of February)	
Student support	
Student research expenses	
Student mission	
Support to project building	
Collective training expenses : International workshop/training/capacity building Travel and per diems for the lecturer and the participants	2600 (cofinancing requests have been submitted to the DFS (AIRD) and to the PPR SELTAR.
Mission (exploratory, support)	
Field support	
Exploratory project	
Beside project support (link to a bigger one)	
Equipment	
Others	

Asian Countries involved (put an X)

Thailand	Vietnam	Laos	Others
X (KKU, LDD, etc)	X (SFRI, ICH, INPC, IET)	X (NAFRI, UNoL)	Potentially Cambodia

Working package involved (put an x)

WP1 Soil fertility and the dynamics of mineral nutrients	WP 2 Soil and water functional biodiversity	WP 3 Carbon storage in plant biomass and soil	WP4 Regulation of water flow and erosion s
X	X	X	X

General context of the proposal

This training workshop responds to a specific request from the LUSES partners for training in the writing of articles in English for international journals.

Objective of the proposal

The objective of this workshop is to provide capacity building in environmental sciences with specific focus on how to write scientific articles in English for submission to international journals. The central purpose of the workshop is to help provide the participating researchers with the techniques and skills needed for the preparation of quality scientific research articles. Furthermore, by bringing together the researchers from the three participating countries to LUSES this workshop will also facilitate the development of a research network in environmental sciences. Indeed, the workshop is based on a real need for capacity building and network creation in the domain of environmental sciences as has been highlighted in the project LUSES. To achieve this, the course will provide training on research article writing in English thus contributing to the higher education training and research strategy of LUSES.

Link with the LMI project (regional aspect, partnership, working package)

The workshop responds directly to a need expressed during the Kick-Off meeting. It will be open to all of the participant members and so can be considered regional. It is also open to all workpackages as the subject is cross-cutting and not specifically targeted at one WP. Moreover, although the courses will be provided by Mme Rochelle-Newall, attention will be paid to ensure a good distribution of researchers originating from different institutes and from different areas of specialization. Finally, the KKU will participate in the funding of the workshop by providing the meeting rooms, the videoprojector and the local transport.

Project description (one page maximum)

Format

The workshop will take place at the University of Khon Kaen (KKU). KKU has been selected as it provides an ideal mix of adequate lodging facilities and a good working environment. Furthermore, the co-financing of the workshop through the providing of a lecture room for the workshop by Ms. Lupa Hanboonsong also will ensure the success of the workshop.

The audience targeted is researchers working in the partner research institutes of LUSES. Applications from women scientists are particularly encouraged.

The workshop will be presented in English. We will invite prospective applicants to submit an application form and a research note. The research note should provide the plan of an article that they wish to submit to an international journal.

The workshop is structured to provide a step by step treatment of the writing of a article. Each morning or afternoon session will start with a lecture during which a specific aspect of article writing will be addressed. This will then be followed by the attendees breaking out into workgroups to apply the themes presented in the framework of their own objectives.

The workshop is made up of 3 phases:

(1) **Presentation of the different sections of an article.** Here the different types of article and the different formats will be presented.

(2) **Writing of a first draft of an article.** Here the attendees will identify their specific scientific objectives followed by the writing of a first draft that responds to the chosen journal. The writing of the project will be done in small groups. This style of workgroup will also facilitate networking between the participants. Each small group will hold 4 or 5 attendees.

(3) **Oral presentation of their articles,** followed by questions from the audience. The aim of this section is to encourage the participants to defend their research results orally in front of a jury. Each attendee will present their article.

This workshop will take place over one week (9h00 Monday to 17h00 Friday) during late spring 2013.

A maximum of 20 participants will be accepted.

The lectures will be given by Mme Rochelle-Newall who has experience of organising this type of workshop and who has extensive experience in the reviewing and writing of articles for an international audience in the domain of environmental sciences.

Budget description:

	Cost (€)
<u>Voyage lecturer</u>	
Vietnam -Thaïlande	260
Per diems lecturer (55€/d 6 days)	330
<u>Voyage participants</u>	
Vietnam/Cambodia (4 participants)	1400
Laos (4 participants)	260
Thailand (12 participants)	750
Per diems participants (35€/day/6 days)	4200
<u>Total</u>	<u>7200 €</u>
Meeting room, etc, vehicle for transport between lodging and KKU	Provided free of charge by KKU (value of 850€)
<u>Co-financing requested from SELTAR (36%)</u>	2600€
<u>Co-financing request from the DPF (AIRD; 28%)</u>	2000€
<u>Total requested from LUSES (36%)</u>	2600€

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Program

Monday

Morning:

- Introduction of what the workshop is about and what is expected from the participants
- Short presentation by the participants of what they are working on and what they wish to obtain from the workshop
- Lecture on the general structure of an article

Afternoon:

- Lecture on the introduction
- Each participant works on structuring their own introduction

Tuesday

Morning:

- Lecture on the materials and methods
- Work on their own material and methods

Afternoon:

- Lecture on the results
- Work on their own results

Wednesday

Morning:

- Lecture on the discussion
- Work on the discussion

Afternoon:

- Lecture on the abstract
- Work on the abstract

Thursday

Morning:

- Lecture on poster presentations
- Lecture on oral presentations

Afternoon:

- Work on their articles and on their presentation for Friday

Friday

- Presentation of their article by the participants