



Latest news

Science-Policy Lunchtime Debate on High-end Climate Change: Impacts and Vulnerabilities

IMPRESSIONS participated in a science-policy event hosted by DG RTD and DG CLIMA on 17 September 2015 at Scotland House Conference Centre in Brussels. The event focused on evidence of what might happen if the international agreement to cut greenhouse gas emissions and limit the expected global warming to 2° is not met.



The mid-term findings from three projects (IMPRESSIONS, HELIX and RISES-AM) funded under the Seventh Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development (FP7) to quantify impacts and vulnerabilities for a range of high-end scenarios were presented. [Read more.](#)

Our Case Studies

[IMPRESSIONS Scotland – Workshop 1](#)

Stakeholders are an integral part of the IMPRESSIONS project and continue to contribute positively to the research in the project. On the 22nd September, 17 stakeholders from a wide range of organisations with an interest in land resource management in Scotland participated in a one day workshop with IMPRESSIONS researchers.

The workshop was a great success and provided an opportunity for stakeholders and researchers to co-create [knowledge](#). The day featured facilitated breakout sessions during which stakeholders reviewed and further developed plausible socio-economic storylines of what the future might look like for Scotland. [Read more](#).



[Reporting back: First IMPRESSIONS Hungarian Case Study Workshop](#)

The first IMPRESSIONS Hungarian Case Study workshop took place on 13 & 14 July 2015, in Szekszárd, Hungary. Joined by over 25 participants representing public institutions, civil society and the private sector from Szekszárd and Veszprém, we discussed socio-economic driving forces and developed locally meaningful scenarios to the two case areas.

Besides stakeholder engagement, work on several thematic models was also continued. Together with the Hungarian Central Statistical Office, we conducted a large-scale survey involving 220 landowners and 21 agricultural enterprises from both Veszprém and Szekszárd. [Read more.](#)



[First Iberian Case Study Workshop](#)

The first IMPRESSIONS Iberia stakeholder workshop took place from 24 to 26 June, in Lisbon, Portugal. Stakeholders from Portugal and Spain from public institutions, civil society and companies gathered to discuss the future of Iberia and the Tagus river basin in the 21st century.



During the intensive and interactive 3-day workshop, stakeholders discussed and determined key

uncertainties for the region, such as the extent of political foresight, interactions between difference governance levels and whether future development was balanced or unbalanced in terms of economics, environment and society. In between all activities, a case study field trip to Lezírias was organized, where in addition, stakeholders experienced a climate theater performance, illustrating the dynamic bond between climate and humans, in a world beyond 2°C warming. [Read more.](#)

Coming up

[2015 UN Climate Change Conference](#)

In 2015, France will be hosting and presiding the 21st Session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21/CMP11), otherwise known as "Paris 2015" from November 30th to December 11th.

COP21 will be a crucial conference, as it needs to achieve a new international agreement on the climate, applicable to all countries, with the aim of keeping global warming below 2°C. [Read more.](#)

[Adaptation Futures 2016](#)

Adaptation Futures 2016 is the fourth PROVIA worldwide adaptation conference. It will be held in Rotterdam from 10 to 13 May 2016. The conference aims to move climate change adaptation forward by promoting solutions across sectors, borders and communities.

The conference will bring stakeholders from around the world to exchange new and practical ideas, experiences and insights for climate change adaptation. [Read more.](#)

