



Food and Agriculture
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Globally Important
**AGRICULTURAL
HERITAGE**
Systems



RECENT DEVELOPMENT OF GIAHS PROGRAMME

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I. Recent Development



1. Expansion of the GIAHS Sites in terms of the designated number and geographical coverage

2 Sites in Spain: The first European sites adopted in November 2017.

Followed by Italy and Portugal in 2018

Total GIAHS sites is 52 sites in 21 countries. (New 9 sites from ERAS countries)

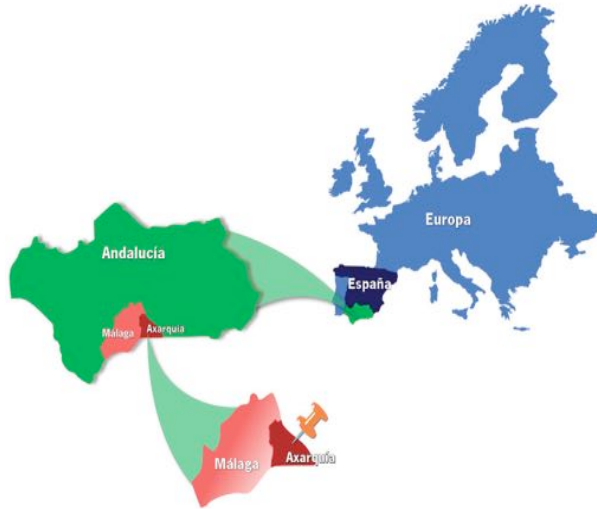
One proposed site from Italy and Spain under evaluation

First proposal in Brazil is almost ready for submission

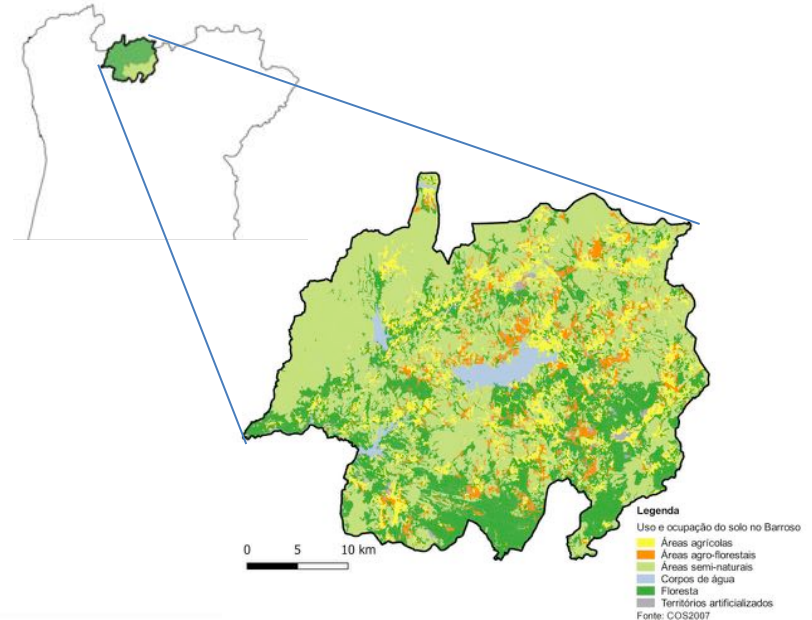
Salt Production System of Añana, Basque, Spain



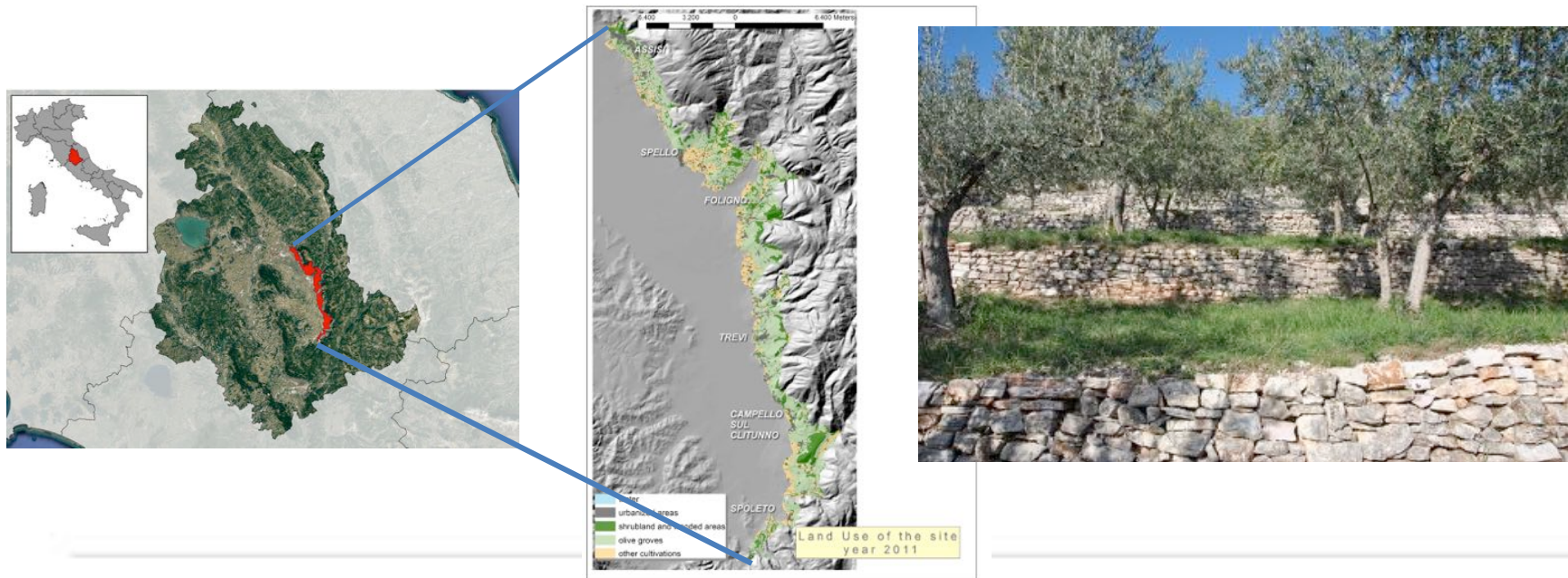
Malaga Raisin Production System in Axarquia



Barroso Agro-Sylvo-Pastoral System: Portugal



Olive groves of the slopes between Assisi and Spoleto





New sites from ERAS counties

China

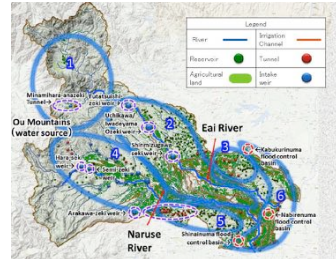
- Diebu Zhagana Agriculture-Forestry-Animal Husbandry Composite System
- Zhejiang Huzhou Mulberry-dyke & Fish-pond System
- Traditional Mulberry System in Xiajin's Ancient Yellow River Course
- Rice Terraces in Southern Mountainous and Hilly Areas, China

Japan

- Osaki Kodo's traditional water management system for sustainable paddy agriculture
- Nishi-Awa Steep Slope Land Agriculture System
- Traditional WASABI Cultivation in Shizuoka

Korea

- Traditional Hadong Tea Agrosystem in Hwagae-myeon
- Geumsan Traditional Ginseng Agricultural System



2. GIAHS International Forum: 19 April 2018



1. Experience Sharing Session with GIAHS Countries (China, Italy, Japan, Spain, Tanzania)

2. Award Ceremony Session to New GIAHS sites since 2016

3. Technical Sessions



Side Event: GIAHS Products Exhibition/GIAHS sites meeting




Announcement of New GIAHS Logo

GIAHS Products Exhibition



3. Other Main Events




The 4th Training projects in China: September 2017




Joint Meeting with UNESCO WHC: Establishment of Collaborative framework (January 2018)




National Workshop in Spain (February 2018)



The 5th Training Project in China: September 2018



Participation in the Slow Food Salon de Gust: September 2018




The SAG meeting in November 2018




Other national Workshops (Columbia, Austria, Mexico, etc.)

Future Tasks which require inputs from Academia


Scientific, Economic and Social Analysis of GIAHS sites




To demonstrate, objectively, the benefits, advantageous points of traditional knowledge and agricultural practices in GIAHS sites (sustainability, harmonization with environment, conservation of endemic species, land and water management, animal husbandry, etc.)



To demonstrate also how GIAHS can contribute to addressing global issues such as biodiversity, climate change, etc.



To disseminate agricultural practices to other agricultural areas



To check the current situations of the GIAHS sites and to evaluate the impacts of the measures taken for dynamic conservation

Example; Shimbwe Juu Kihamba Agro-Forestry Heritage Site



Q1: How are the ecological interrelation among trees and crops functioning?

Q2: What are the yields and quality of the major crops produced in this system (coffee, banana, fruits and other crops)

Q3: How and to which degree the traditional knowledge and agricultural practices in this site can contributing to creating the benefits of this system?

➔ Documentation of traditional knowledge is required

Q4: What are the economic and social situation of the famer's community, and what are the impacts of action plan implementation?

Example: Chiloe Island: Chile



Fundamental Question:

- How the endemic spices of local crops (e.g., potatoes) can be well conserved and sustainably used?
- Which measures should be taken to make a good environment to motivate farmers to maintain production of such valuable species



This could provide suggestions to one of the global issues such as how to promote conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in agriculture.



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