

Project Seminar

Thursday 16 September 2021

Venue: Geitaskarð 201, second floor, AUI Keldnaholt

- 09:00-09:05 Welcome by GRÓ LRT Director.
- 09:05-09:20 Emmanuel Yeboah (Ghana). Assessing farmers' perception and adoption of sustainable land management practices in integrated landscape management: a case study of Ghana sustainable land and water management project, Talensi District, Ghana.
Supervisor: Auður H. Ingólfssdóttir (Transformia).
- 09:20-09:35 Mirriam Owino (Uganda). Assessing the effects of land tenure system on land restoration in Northern Uganda: A gender perspective.
Supervisor: Jón Geir Pétursson (UI).
- 09:35-09:50 Mamosa Mahlompho Nei (Lesotho). Effects of degradation on selected soil parameters in Sogn peatland site: a comparison of peatlands in different statuses.
Supervisors: Hlynur Óskarsson (AUI) & Sunna Áskelsdóttir (SCSI).
- 09:50-10:00 *Coffee break*
- 10:00-10:15 Mandela Alema (Ghana). Impacts of different land use on soil carbon stocks in Northern savanna agro-ecological zone of Ghana.
Supervisor: Gunnhildur E. G. Gunnarsdóttir (SCSI).
- 10:15-10:30 Qurbonsho Gadoliev (Tajikistan). Effect of grazing exclusion on organic matter content and bulk density of Icelandic soils.
Supervisors: Isabel Barrio (AUI), María Svavarsdóttir (AUI) & Mathilde Defourneaux (AUI).
- 10:30-10:45 Barkhas Badam (Mongolia). Does grazing affect the responses of rangeland vegetation to droughts?
Supervisors: Kristín Svavarsdóttir (SCSI) & Isabel Barrio (AUI).
- 10:45-10:55 *Coffee break*
- 10:55-11:10 Tesfay Berihu Gebremicheal (Ethiopia). Effects of bio-slurry and inorganic fertilizer on teff yield and soil properties in the highlands of Northern Ethiopia.
Supervisor: Úlfur Óskarsson (AUI).
- 11:10-11:25 Erdenechimeg Avidsuren (Mongolia). Mapping rangeland degradation: a theoretical and practical exercise in the forest steppe zone, Mongolia.
Supervisor: Atli Guðjónsson (SCSI).

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- 09:00-09:05 Welcome by GRÓ LRT Director.
- 09:05-09:20 Paulean Kadammanja (Malawi). Exploring factors affecting adoption of in-situ rainwater harvesting technologies: a case of Lifidzi section in Salima district, Malawi.
Supervisors: Tamar M. Heijstra (UI) & Jónína Sigríður Þorláksdóttir (AUI).
- 09:20-09:35 Andrew Evans Opiolo (Uganda). Factors influencing the adoption of sustainable land management technologies among subsistence farmers in Nakapiripirit district, Uganda.
Supervisor: Tamar M. Heijstra (UI).
- 09:35-09:50 Jasmine Gello (Malawi). Adoption of agroforestry technology in Malawi: hindrances experienced by farmers in Nsanje District.
Supervisor: Magnfríður Júlíusdóttir (UI).
- 09:50-10:00 *Coffee break*
- 10:00-10:15 Muez Hailu Weldetnsae (Ethiopia). The contributions of selected forest ecosystem services on livelihood of local community: the case of Desa'a forest, Eastern Tigray, Northern Ethiopia.
Supervisor: Sigrún María Kristinsdóttir (Municipality of Kópavogur).
- 10:15-10:30 Talantbek Toktosunov (Kyrgyzstan). Development of a sustainable pasture management framework for Kyrgyzstan: the case of Bazar Korgon district.
Supervisors: Karl Benediktsson (UI) & Jóhann Helgi Stefánsson (SCSI).
- 10:30-10:45 Nyakallo Pheko (Lesotho). The effects of fire on ecosystem functions: a desk study with the purpose of improving fire management in Lesotho.
Supervisor: Guðmundur Halldórsson (SCSI).
- 10:45-10:55 *Coffee break*
- 10:55-11:10 Mamakara Julia Maime (Lesotho). Identification of drivers of degradation and selecting restoration measures on Hítardalur valley.
Supervisors: Jóhann Þórsson (SCSI) & Iðunn Hauksdóttir (SCSI).
- 11:10-11:25 Janice Nakamya (Uganda). Vegetation effect on soil organic matter and plant available water of Icelandic soils.
Supervisors: Tarek A. M. Zaqout (UI), María Svavarsdóttir (AUI) & Jón Guðmundsson (AUI).
- 11:25-11:40 Ganzorig Ulgiichimeg (Mongolia). Soil organic and inorganic carbon difference along ecological zones in Mongolia.
Supervisors: Ólafur Arnalds (AUI) & Erla Sturludóttir (AUI).