# Invitation to international technical webinar



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# **Preventing and Mitigating Land Degradation:** Nutrient Turnover and Terrestrial Carbon Sequestration



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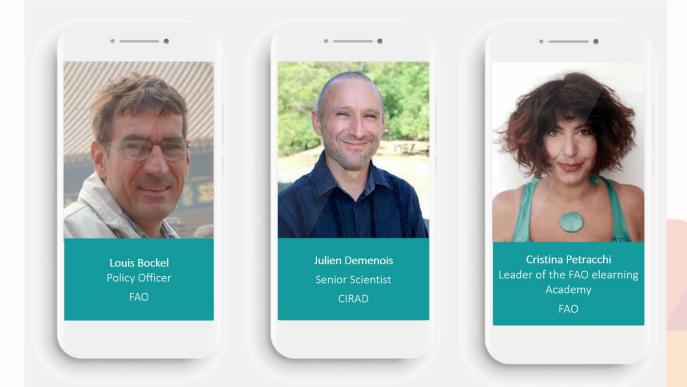
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#### **OBJECTIVES OF THIS SESSION**

- Present the interrelations between the agriculture, forestry and other land use (AFOLU) sectors and climate change;
- Discuss about the EX-ACT tool, using examples and exercises; and
- Classify nutrient turnover strategies for mitigating land degradation.

### **SPEAKERS**

This technical webinar will be delivered by **Mr Louis Bockel** (FAO), **Mr Julien Demenois** (CIRAD), and moderated by **Ms Cristina Petracchi**, Leader of the FAO eLearning Academy.



Louis Bockel is an FAO Policy responsible Officer, for agricultural policies and the transformation towards greener agriculture in the Division of **Economics** of Agricultural Development, FAO, based first in Rome and now in Ghana since 2018. He does appraise social, economic and environmental impact of investment programs/policies in rural development, forestry, agricultural sectors and their carbon impact. In the past 10 years, with the EX-ACT team (ex-ante carbon balance), they worked in 85 countries on more

Julien Demenois is a senior scientist in functional ecology at CIRAD (the French Agricultural **Research Centre for International** Development) with a focus on soil and carbon sequestration in tropical ecosystems. He leads the "4 per 1000: soils for food security and climate" thematic at CIRAD and is member of the research unit AIDA at Montpellier (France). He coordinates the ANR "<u>DATA4C+ project</u> – Towards interoperability of databases to be more FAIR" and is involved in several international projects in West Africa, South East Asia and Central America. His last Cristina Petracchi heads the FAO elearning Academy. She manages and coordinates the design, development, delivery and language adaptations of an extensive portfolio of elearning courses and blended learning programmes for the benefit of FAO member countries, and is responsible for the creation of University Masters' and Post Graduate Degree Programmes. She engages actively in consolidating partnerships United across Nations agencies, academic institutions and universities, regional than \$ 40 billion in investment projects and trained several thousand experts in carbon assessment tools (EX-ACT tool). He holds a Phd in economics in Paris on poverty reduction policies in agriculture (2003), and a double master's degree as an agricultural economist in rural economics and sociology (Catholic University of Louvain La Neuve, 1982) and as agricultural engineer (ISA Lille 1980).

publication "Barriers and Strategies to Boost Soil Carbon Sequestration in Agriculture" pledges for the involvement of stakeholders to improve the enabling environment for soil carbon sequestration in agriculture. organizations, CSOs and NGOs, for capacity development initiatives. In addition to a University Degree in Biological Sciences, Ms Petracchi holds a PhD in Nutrition and Food Science, and has several years of experience of capacity development activities, in a number of countries.

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