

**SNOWMAN
Workshop
Mechelen
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Knowledge for sustainable soil

**A French experience of
integration socio-economic
aspects into research on soil**

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GESSOL

**Launched in 1998
by the Ministry of Environment
animation by ADEME**

P R O G R A M M E



- **Soil environmental functions**
- **Soil sustainable management**

Socio-economic aspects

First 10 years: « technical » projects

2008: seminar where social scientists were invited to tell us what their discipline could add to our understanding of soil and soil management

→ **New questions ou different way of asking them**

→ **Social scientists felt concerned by our call**



French presentations

Scientists involved in GESSOL projects

- **F.R. Zacot:** anthropologist
- **M.L. Lambert:** jurist
- **R. Lifran:** economist



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**Today: a first step towards
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**Soil
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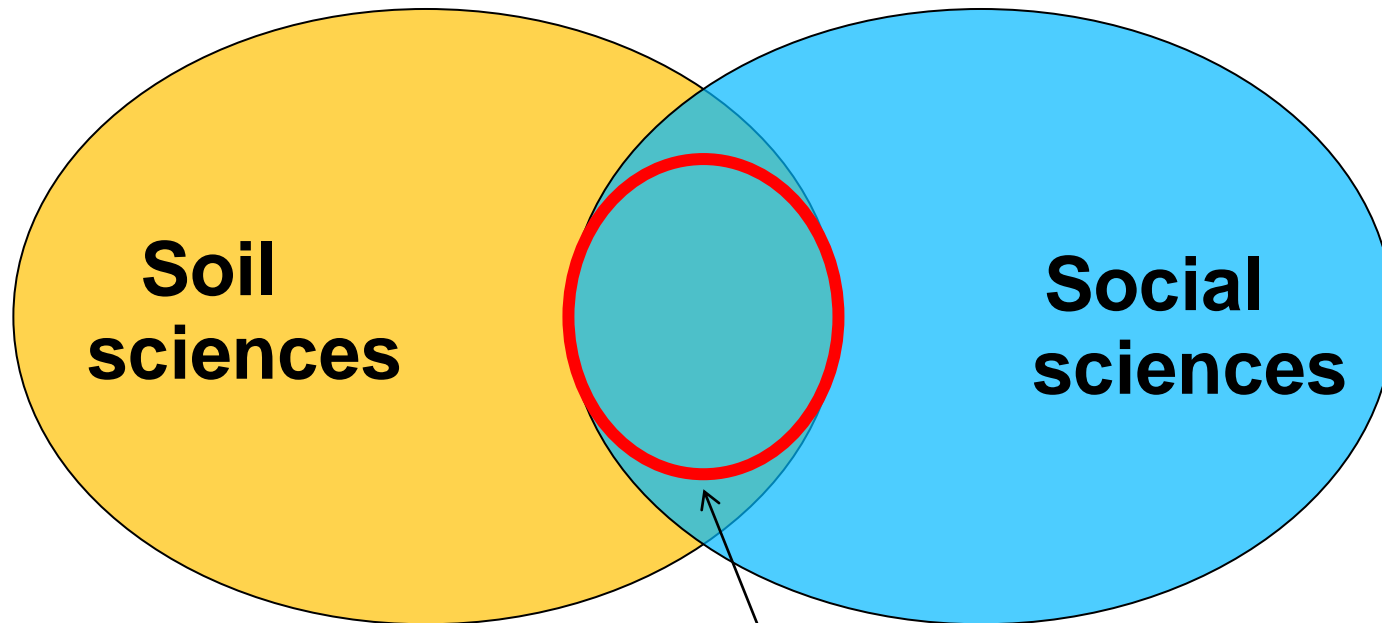


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