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Links between the Global Soil Biodiversity Initiative (GSBI) and the Global Soil Partnership (GSP)

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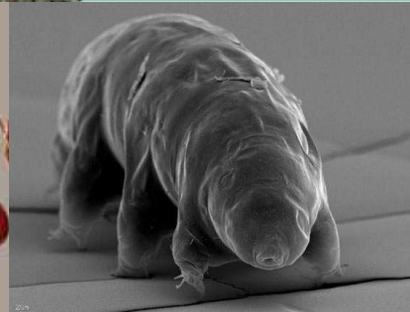
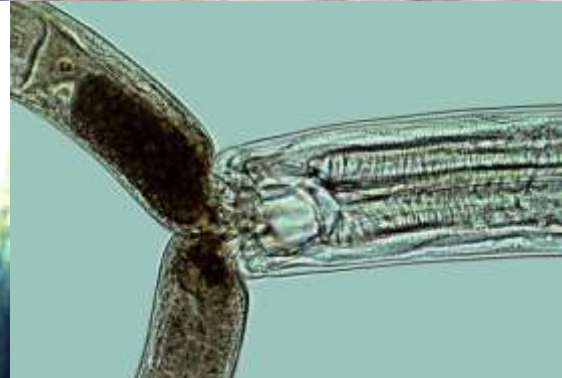
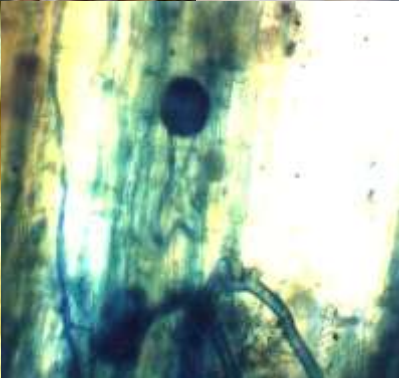


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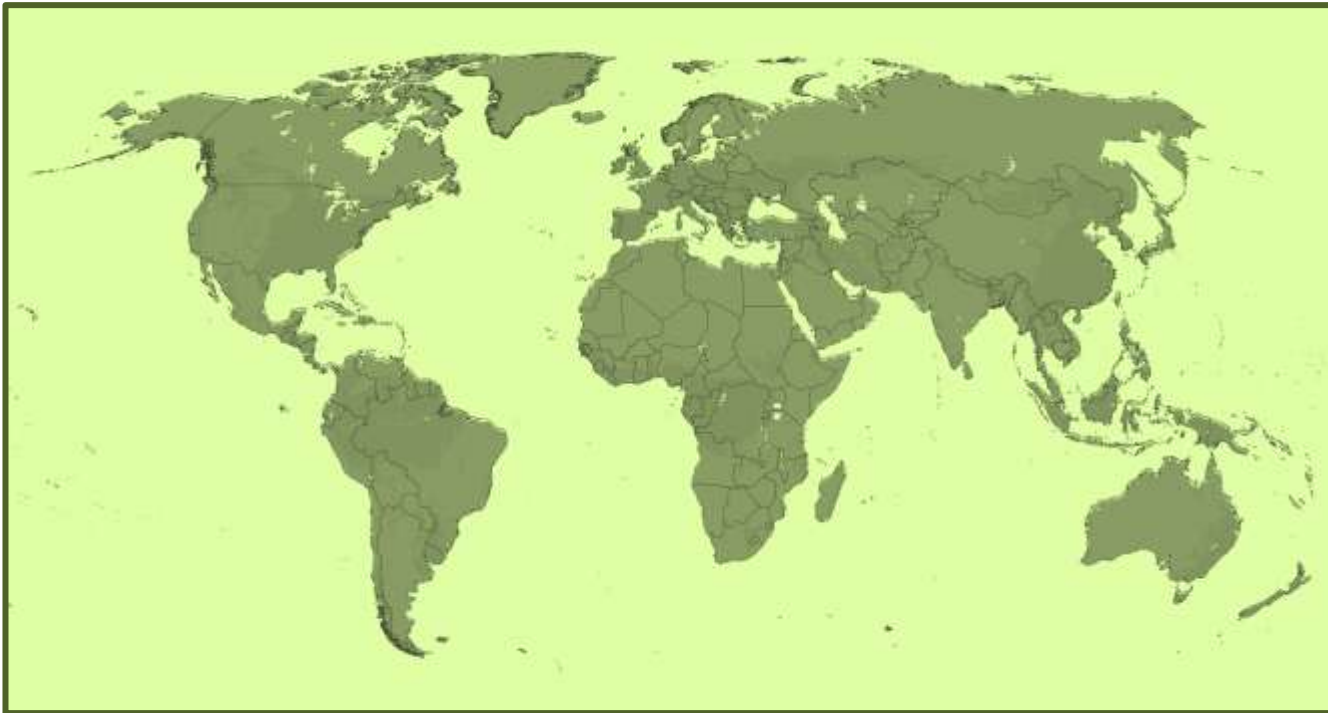
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SOIL BIODIVERSITY PROVIDES ECOSYSTEM SERVICES



ABOUT THE GLOBAL SOIL BIODIVERSITY INITIATIVE

- Scientific effort for all lands
- 58 Countries, 487 members on listserve

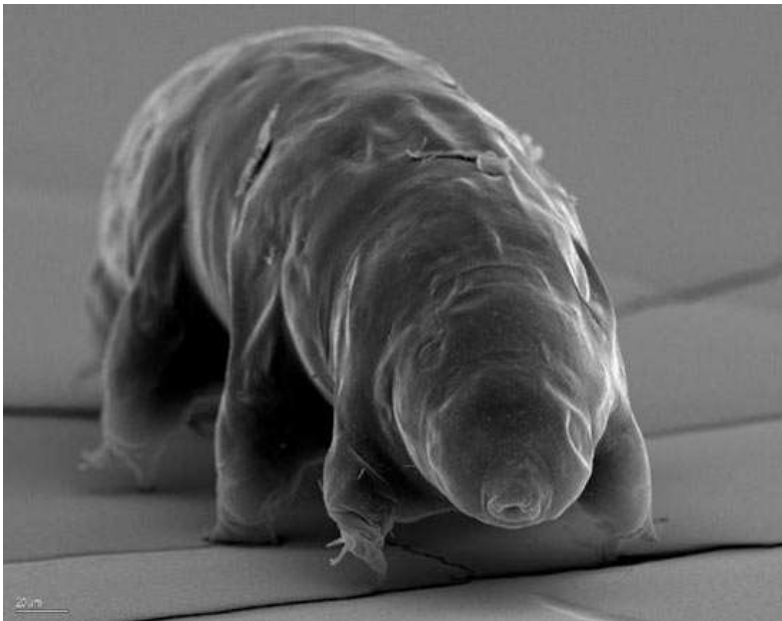


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ABOUT THE GLOBAL SOIL BIODIVERSITY INITIATIVE



- Promote translation of expert knowledge on **soil biodiversity** and **ecosystem services** into sustaining soils
- Global Soil Biodiversity Assessment (GSBA)



Timing of the GSBI: why now?

● Rapid progressing policy



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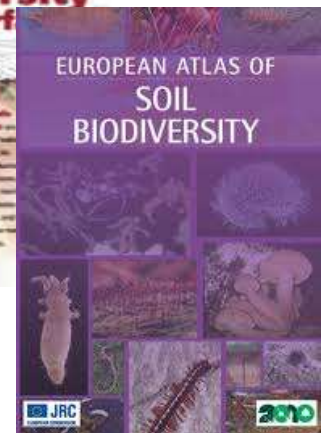
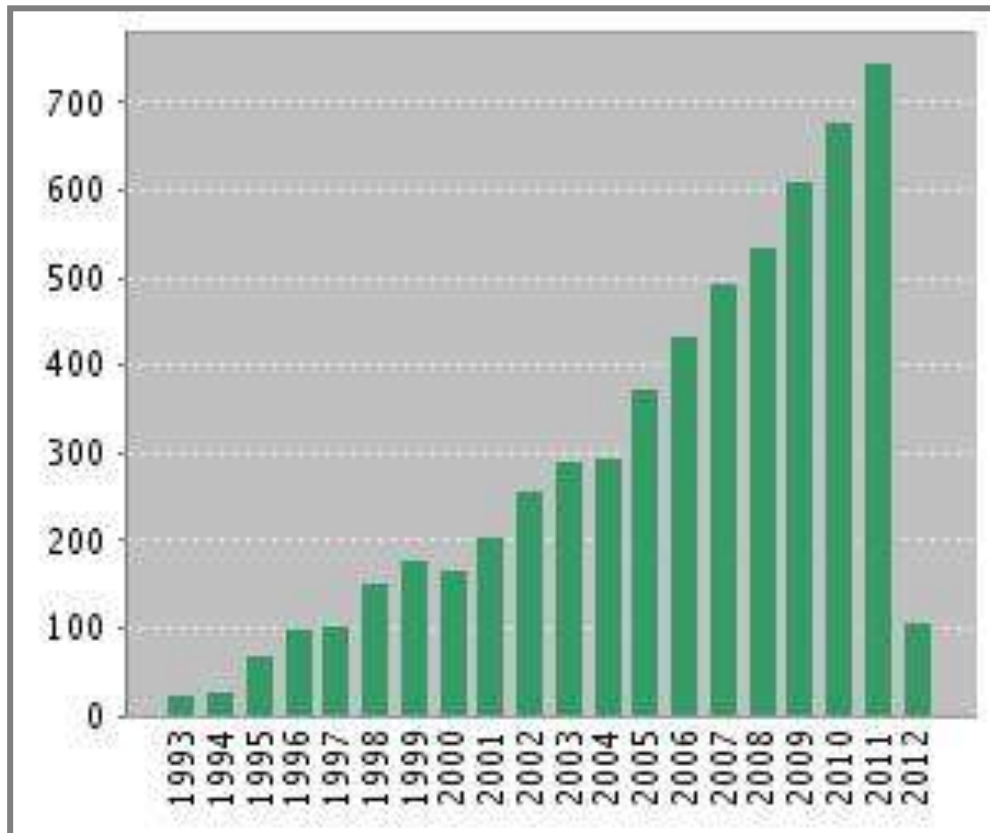


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Advances in Soil Biodiversity Research

● Rapid development of science

Number of items published in each year:
'Soil Biodiversity'



Why a GSBI now?

● Threats to soil biodiversity

- Degraded soils affect soil biodiversity & services

● To manage and protect soil biodiversity to enhance ecosystem services

- Address vulnerability of soil biodiversity & services



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LINKING GLOBAL SOIL BIODIVERSITY INITIATIVE AND THE GLOBAL SOIL PARTNERSHIP

