

Pump priming towards the International Nitrogen Management System (INMSpp) : Introduction

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INMSpp

- What are the aims of the project?
- INMSpp Workpackages and linkages to INMS
- Timeline
- Workshop in Edinburgh

Project Outline

- Project is funded by the Natural Environment Research Council, as part of their 'International Opportunities Fund' grant scheme.
- Awarded to Centre for Ecology and Hydrology (lead) and the University of Edinburgh
- Total project budget of £400k over 3 years
 - Staff time
 - Workshop Costs

The Big Idea

 Establish a framework for the international model chain that will be needed for the science-policy support process of the 'International Nitrogen Management System'.



The big idea – what do policymakers need?

Needs of international conventions and policy makers

Demonstrate how feasible improvements in N management translate into quantified co-benefits

Improved food and energy security

Reduced climate and pollution threats

In net economic terms

The big idea – what do we need to do to enable this?

Develop the global capability for nitrogen Integrated Assessment Modelling



Components Diagram for INMS



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Engaging with the community

What are we trying to achieve?

- 1. Take stock of the current model situation
- 2. Consider what we should try to model framework
- 3. Assess how models can deliver on this framework
- 4. Consider how we can link models and data
- 5. Engage with the community to asses short and long term possibilities
- 6. Agree priority linkages to work with
- 7. Use this to make recommendations for global and regional modelling
- 8. Consider how this can strengthen and support INMS and what authorisation such work would need





Meetings and Timeline

- INMSpp Meeting, 5th& 6th May, Edinburgh
 - Followed by a meeting of the UNECE Task Force on Integrated Assessment Modelling, 7th and 8th
- INMSpp already underway need to be close links about what INMS could need and what and when INMSpp could deliver
- Benefit from engagement and an iterative approach

Workshop next week

- Prioritising Nitrogen Threats and Benefits: Which issues need to be linked when developing integrated modelling capability?
- Policy Linkages: What are the priority measures needed for better nitrogen management that should be included in models?
- Issue/Compartmental Linkages: How should different compartments of the nitrogen cycle be linked when formulating global nitrogen integrated assessment models?
- Data Needs