



NICOLE

Network for Industrially Co-ordinated Sustainable Land Management in Europe

Winner of the NICOLE Innovation Award October 2017

This year we received 15 entries for the Innovation award. The jury was made up of representatives from Academia (Hans- Peter Koschitzky), Industry (ISG chair and vice chair, Paul van Riet & Roger Jacquet) and Service Providers (SPG chair and vice chair, Rick Parkman & Phil Crowcroft). They studied each entry and evaluated them based on the following criteria:

- Cleanness of submission
- Freshness of innovation: was it really a new approach?
- Maturity of innovation
- Speed of achieving a solution
- Did the innovation address challenging contaminants or old favourites?
- How were cost savings defined and what level of saving? Was natural capital included by monetising environmental and social benefits?
- Lateral thinking showing innovation in financing, valuation of new approach, smoothing of regulatory approval
- Background of entrants
- Plans for communication and market availability?
- How relevant is it to NICOLE and its focus on sustainable land management?

The top 3 entries were selected to give a pitch presentation at the NICOLE conference and all participating NICOLE members (one company one vote) voted for one of the 3 entries.

The top 3 entries are:

Winner: Integrated passive groundwater mass flux sampling technology - University of Antwerp

Number 2: Ultra-resolution analysis of coal tars - WSP

Number 3: Innovation in-Situ Injection Technology i-SAV © - RiskCom GmbH



Picture: [iFLUX Sampling](#) receiving the award: left Paul van Riet (Jury Chair), Tim Op't Eyndt and Goedele Verreydt (University Antwerp) and Lucia Buvé (NICOLE Chair)