# SOIL REMEDIATION AND INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY MONITORING

<u>Mónika Molnár<sup>1</sup></u>, Éva Ujaczki<sup>1</sup>, Viktória Feigl<sup>1</sup>, Orsolya Klebercz<sup>1</sup>, Ildikó Fekete-Kertész<sup>1</sup>, Nikolett Uzinger<sup>2</sup>, Éva Fenyvesi<sup>3</sup> and Katalin Gruiz<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Budapest University of Technology and Economics <sup>2</sup>Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Centre for Agricultural Research <sup>3</sup>CycloLab, Cyclodextrin Research & Development Laboratory

## MANAGEMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT -ENGINEERING TOOLS



Terra Preta Project Opening Workshop, Budapest, 1st September 2014

# **INTEGRATED METHODOLOGY ST'** SOII TESTING TRIAD



## **INTEGRATED MONITORING for SOIL**



#### Integrated monitoring gives information

- on the characteristics of the soil: the biological status, the activity and adaptive behaviour of the biota
- on the quality and quantity of contaminant (or waste)
- about the effects, mobility, bioavailability, biodegradability of the contaminants (or waste)...



#### **Physico-chemical methods**

- Physico-chemical characteristics of soil (three phases)
- *pH, temperature, redox potential, water holding capacity, nutrient supply...* 
  - Contaminant analyses (quality, quantity)
- Physical and chemical form of the contaminants
- Mobility of contaminants

#### Biological, ecological methods

- Information on the physiological state, flexibility and the activity of the soil microflora
- Response of soil's ecosystem on the adverse effects
- Concentrations of aerob heterotrophic bacteria, fungal species, anaerobic or facultative anaerobic colony forming cells...
- Microbial substrate utilization
- Diversity of microflora
- Respiration, dehydrogenase activity, nitrification, ammonification...

ty,

#### Ecotoxicity testing

- Integrates interactions between toxicants, between toxicant and matrix
- Measures bioavailable ratio of the contamination
- Measures chemically not measurable toxicants by their effect
- Measures the effects of chemicals not included into the analytical programme

*Testorganisms from different trophic levels* 

**Microcosms**  $\rightarrow$  multispecies systems  $\rightarrow$  complex procedures and interactions

- To predict transport and fate of contaminants under controlled conditions
- Modelling *ex situ* and *in situ* soil remediation
- Investigation the effect of technological parameter
- Planning remediation/ bioremediation
- Monitoring remediation
- Monitoring waste utilization on soil

## **ROLE AND DOMINANCE OF TRIAD ELEMENTS**



Detailed site assessment and planning an *in situ* remediation  $\rightarrow$  the three elements of the Triad have equal importance.

Inherited, long-term contaminated industrial sites  $\rightarrow$  ecotoxicity testing has dominate importance  $\rightarrow$  presence of not identified chemicals, mixtures of chemicals

# SOIL REMEDIATION AND INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY MONITORING

# **Cyclodextrin enhanced bioremediation**







## **PLANNING BIOREMEDIATION - DETAILED SITE** ASSESSMENT



## **RESULTS OF TECHNOLOGY MONITORING**



## SOIL IMPROVEMENT by WASTE UTILIZATION

## **INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGY MONITORING**



# SOIL IMPROVEMENT – UTILIZATION OF RED MUD-SOIL MIXTURE



- Red mud catastrophe in Ajka, Hungary
- After the disaster the thick (>5 cm) red mud layer from soil surfaces was removed
- Field demonstration for the utilization of red mud-soil mixture to cover landfills
- To study the beneficial effect of the red mud-soil mixture (red mud contaminated soil) when applied in soil substitute



#### Integrated monitoring Soil improvement by utilization of red mud-soil mixture



*Terra Preta* Project Opening Workshop, Budapest, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014

# **UTILIZATION OF RED MUD-SOIL** MIXTURE - RESULTS



No toxic effect

*Folsomia candida* (animal)

*Terra Preta* Project Opening Workshop, Budapest, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014

1. month

■ 5. month

■ 10. month

50%

RMSM

RMSM

# Thank you for your attention!

The experiments were carried out in the framework of the *NATO Science for Piece* (SfP 973720) and the *SOILUTIL* (TECH\_09-A4-2009-0129) Hungarian R&D projects