

**Code: 1497 Remediation**

**Degree:** 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle – Environmental Engineering

**Stream:** Environmental Management

**Curricular Year:** 1<sup>st</sup>

**Semester Course:** 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Credits:** 6 ECTS

**Optional**

**Language:** Portuguese/English

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**1. Contact hours**

**Lectures 42 Lecture/Practicals 28 Others 14 Total 84**

**2. Objectives:**

To assure fundamental formation in the field of remediation in what concerns scientific and technical aspects of soil and water cleanup technologies

**3. Programme:**

**LECTURES**

**1. Fundamental definitions and concepts**

**2. Main environmental recovering and landscape planning interventions**

Areas suffering desertification processes and forestry fires. Saline and alkali soils.

**3. Role of the soil in the domain of remediation**

Influence of soil characteristics on contamination, remediation and restoration of land and groundwater.

The soil as a pollutant agent.

**4. Groundwater**

Hydrogeology. Basic concepts.

**5. Pollutants of natural ecosystems**

Origin and characteristics of the major groups of environmental pollutants. Fate and behaviour of pollutants in soil and surface and underground waters. Bioavailability. Biodegradability and biodegradation of pollutants.

**6. Contaminated sites**

Identification and evaluation of the level of degradation and contamination of contaminated sites.

**7. Treatment of contaminated soils and waters**

Treatment techniques exploiting physical and chemical processes. Application, strong points and drawbacks. Selection of remedial approaches and treatment techniques

**8. Bioremediation**

Technical and scientific basis. Advantages and disadvantages. Implementation

**9. Phytoremediation**

Advantages and disadvantages of phytoremediation. Implementation. Selection of type and species of plants.

**10. Monitoring and evaluation of the efficiency of the remediation techniques in terms of environmental performance**

General aspects. Soil and water monitoring.

**11. Legislation and regulation**

Lecture/practicals

Cases of study

Basic numeric applications concerning remediation techniques

Study visits

#### 4. Bibliography:

##### Main Bibliography

- Eweis, J.B., Argas, S.J., Chang, D.P.Y. e Schroeder, E.D (1999) - Principios de Biorrecuperación – Tratamientos para la descontaminación y regeneración de suelos y aguas subterráneas mediante procesos biológicos y físico-químicos. McGraw- Hill.
- Lecomte, Paul - Les sites pollués - Traitement des sols & des eaux souterraines (2ème edition) (1998). Lavoisier Tec&Doc.
- McCutcheon, S.C, Schnoor J.L (Eds) (2003).- Phytoremediation – Transformation and control of contaminants. John Wiley&Sons Inc.

##### Other Bibliography

- Rivière, Jean-Louis (1997) - Évaluation du risque écologique des sols pollués. Lavoisier Tec&Doc.
- Nathanail, C.P. and Bardos, R.P (2004) – Reclamation of contaminated land., John Wiley&Sons Inc.

#### 5. Assessment:

Examination test

6. Estimated Workload: 

168
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 Hours

7. Last Update: 

20/7/2010
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