

Review of: "[Perspective] Combatting Relative Sea-Level Rise at a Global Scale: Presenting the International Panel on Land Subsidence (IPLS)"

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The study (perspective) proposed by Dr. Minderhoud and colleagues introduces an important initiative (IPLS) to address land subsidence on a global scale. The topic is timely and relevant, given the increasing impact of land subsidence on relative sea-level rise. However, before its potential publication, some points need to be addressed. Addressing these points will probably strengthen the contribution to the field.

Comments:

1. How does the IPLS differentiate itself from existing initiatives like the UNESCO International Initiative on Land Subsidence? More clarity on the unique contribution of IPLS is necessary in a revised version of the paper.
2. Could you please provide more specific details on how the IPLS will develop its projections of coastal land elevation change? What methodologies will be employed?
3. More quantitative data on the current and projected impacts of land subsidence on relative sea-level rise is necessary.
4. Please provide more details on specific strategies the IPLS will employ to engage governments and policymakers, particularly in developing countries where the impact may be most severe.
5. I suggest adding another figure (or perhaps a table) that illustrates the current state of land subsidence globally, which would help contextualize the need for the IPLS.
6. It would be useful if the authors could provide a more specific timeline for implementing the IPLS initiatives in the conclusion section.