

***Interactive comment on “Landslide susceptibility mapping in Mawat area, Kurdistan Region, NE Iraq: a comparison of different statistical models” by A. A. Othman et al.***

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Dear Mr. Arsalan Othman,

Two independent referees have examined your submission, and have posted their comments online. You had an opportunity to respond to the comments posted by the referees.

Overall, the two referees have identified a number of problems with your work, which they have outlined in detail. I share most of the comments of the two referees and I urge you to consider them very carefully.

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What is more worrying is that the significance of your work, with respect to similar published work, does not emerge. It is not clear where the innovation is, and what is different from previous landslide susceptibility modeling studies. This has to be clarified for the paper to be acceptable.

Quality of the Figures is good, but can be further improved. Also, consider limiting the number of the Figures to those really necessary to the discussion, moving other figures as ancillary materials. The same applies to the Tables, and specifically Table 2.

Quality of the English and the technical language also needs to be improved.

Your manuscript cannot be accepted in the present form, but I will be willing to reconsider it following a major revision.

If you decide to prepare a revised version of your work, please consider carefully all the comments and suggestions of the two referees, and my editorial comments. With your resubmission, please provide a list of the changes made and a list of your responses to the comments of the referees and the editor.

When I will receive the revised manuscript, I will send it out for further review.

Finally, I have noticed that the email you have provided (arsalan.aljaf@gmail.com) is not an institutional email. We have experienced problems with authors using non-institutional emails, and I urge you to provide a different and institutional email with your re-submission.

Regards,

Fausto Guzzetti NHESS Executive Editor

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