



Draft Agenda of the Second Working Session of the European Soil Partnership (ESP)

17-18 March 2015, FAO HQ, Rome, Italy

- 1. Opening of the meeting
- 2. Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable and nomination of Rapporteur
- 3. Status of implementation of the GSP and its Regional Soil Partnerships
- 4. Review of activities performed since the first plenary ESP session
- 5. Regional implementation Plans: towards a European Implementation Plan, including activities related to the UN International Year of Soils 2015
- 6. Sub-regional Eurasian Soil Partnership: Status, activities and future perspectives
- 7. Links with other European networks and initiatives
- 8. Way forward of the European Soil Partnership
- 9. Date and venue of the next meeting
- 10. Any Other Business

Tuesday 17 March, 2015		
08:30 - 09:00	Registration	
09:00 - 09:10	Item 1: Opening of the meeting	Mr. Moujahed Achouri, FAO Mr. Luca Montanarella, ESP Secretariat, EC Mr. Jes Weigelt, ESP Chair, IASS
09:10 - 09:30	Item 2: Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable and nomination of a Rapporteur	Mr. Jes Weigelt, ESP Chair
09:30 - 10:30	Item 3: Status of implementation of the GSP and its Regional Soil Partnerships, brief overview of the European Soil Partnership	Mr. Ronald Vargas, GSP Secretariat, FAO
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 13:00	Item 4: Review of activities performed since the first plenary ESP session Review and open discussion	Mr. Luca Montanarella, ESP Secretariat, EC Mr. Jes Weigelt, ESP Chair, IASS
12:00 14:15	· ·	ESP Members
13:00 - 14:15	Lunch break	
14:15 - 15:30	Item 5: Regional implementation plans: towards a European Implementation Plan – Definition of priorities	Chair: Mr. Ronald Vargas, GSP Secretariat, FAO
	Pillar 1: Sustainable Soil Management in Europe	Mrs. Jaroslava Sobocka, NPPC- VUPOP
	Pillar 2: Awareness raising, including Regional activities in the context of the International Year of Soils 2015	Mr. Arwyn Jones, EC DG-JRC
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break	
16.00 – 17:30	Pillar 3: Promote Targeted Soil Research	Mr. Jes Weigelt, IASS
	Pillar 4: Soil Data and Information	Mr. Allan Lilly, ESBN
	Pillar 5: Harmonization of methods and measurement	Mr. Rainer Baritz, BGR
	Discussion	
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08:30 - 10:30	Item 6: Eurasian Sub-regional Soil Partnerships: Status, activities and future perspectives	Chair: Mr. Jes Weigelt, IASS
		Mr. Pavel Krasilnikov, Eurasian Center for Food Security

10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 - 13:00	Item 7: Links with other European networks and initiatives	Chair: Mr. Jes Weigelt, IASS
	a. European Soil Bureau Network (ESBN)	Mr. Allan Lilly, ESBN
	b. European Network of Soil Awareness (ENSA)	Mr. Arwyn Jones, EC DG-JRC
	Item 8: Way forward of the European Soil Partnership	
	 a. The economics of ecosystem services provided by soil (linked to MAES Soil) b. Soils in the post-2015 development agenda (SDGs related to soil and land) c. Status report of European soil resources as part of the Status of World Soil Resources Report of the ITPS 	Mr. Luca Montanarella, ESP Secretariat, EC
	Item 9: Date and venue of the next meeting	
	Item 10: Any other business	
	Closing of the meeting	Mr. Moujahed Achouri, FAO