Asian Soil Partnership Workshop

"Towards a Regional Implementation Plan for Asia"

Draft Agenda

14-16 December 2016, Bangkok, Thailand

Land Development Department of Thailand

14 December 2016	
08:00 – 09:00	**Registration**
09:00 – 09:20	**Welcome and Opening Remarks** General Chatchai Sarikulya, Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives (TBC) Ms. Kundhavi Kadiresan, Assistant Director-General and FAO Representative for Asia and the Pacific Mr. Suradesh Tiewtrakool, Chair of the ASP Steering Committee Director General of Land Development Department, Thailand
09:20 – 09:40	**The Global Soil Partnership – an overview** Mr. Ronald Vargas, GSP Secretary
09:40 – 10:00	**Status & Governance of the Asian Soil Partnership** Mr. Yuji Niino, Land Management Officer, FAO
10:00 – 10:30	**Group photo, coffee/tea break**
10:30 – 11:00	**Introduction to the Regional Implementation Plan for Asia** Ms. Lucrezia Caon, Chair of the ASP Implementation Plan
11:00 – 12:00	**Plenary discussion**
12:00 – 13:30	**Lunch Break**
Session 1:The ASP Implementation Plan This session presents the work of the working groups for the five pillars of action of the GSP *Chair: Ms. Lucrezia Caon*	
13:30 – 13:50	**Pillar 1 "Promote sustainable management of soil resources for soil protection, conservation and sustainable productivity"** Mr. Dhermesh Verma (India), Chair of the working group for Pillar 1
13:50 – 14:10	**Pillar 2 "Encourage investment, technical cooperation, policy, education awareness and extension in soil"** Mr. Aulakh (India), Chair of the working group for Pillar 2

14:10 – 14:30	**Pillar 3 "Promote targeted soil research and development focusing on identified gaps and priorities and synergies with related productive, environmental and social development actions"** Mr. Yagi (Japan), Chair of the working group for Pillar 3
14:30 – 14:50	**Pillar 4 "Enhance the quantity and quality of soil data and information: data collection (generation), analysis, validation, reporting, monitoring and integration with other disciplines"** Mr. Carating (Philippines), Chair of the working group for Pillar 4
14:50 – 15:30	**Coffee/tea break**
15:30 – 15:50	**Pillar 5 "Harmonization of methods, measurements and indicators for the sustainable management and protection of soil resources"** Mr. Wongmaneeroj (Thailand), Chair of the working group for Pillar 5
15:50 – 17:30	**Plenary discussion and Endorsement of the Implementation Plan**
18.00 – 20.30	**Welcome Dinner hosted by LDD**

15 December 2016	
Field trip: Sustainable Land Management & Soil Doctor Learning Center Host: Land Development Department (LDD), Thailand	
7:00 – 12:30	Site visit for sustainable land management at Khao Hin Sorn Royal Development Study Center, Chachoengsao Province
12:30 – 14:00	**Lunch Break**
14:00– 17:00	Site visit: Soil Doctor Learning Center
17.30 – 19.30	**Dinner**

16 December 2016	
Session 2: Execution of the ASP Implementation Plan Discussion on the execution of the ASP Implementation Plan *Chair: Mr. Ronald Vargas*	
09:00 – 10:00	**Implementation of the Soil Doctor Programme for Asia (Pillars 1 & 2)** Ms. Lucrezia Caon
10:00 – 11:00	**Towards the compilation of the Asian Soil Atlas (Pillars 2 & 4)** Mr. Luca Montanarella or Ms. Lucrezia Caon
11:00 – 12:00	**Soil Organic Carbon mapping (Pillars 3 & 4)** Mr. Rodelio Carating
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch Break
13:30 – 14:30	**Implementation of SEALNET in the region (Pillar 5)** Ms. Nopmanee Suvannang
14:30 – 15:30	**Implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines on Sustainable Soil Management in Asia** Mr. Ronald Vargas
15:30 – 15:40	Closure of the workshop
15:40 – 16:00	Coffee Break

Extra session: ASP Steering Committee *Chair: Mr. Suradesh Tiewtrakool* *Functional chair: Mr. Rapibhat Chandarasrivongs*	
16:00– 18:00	Meeting of the Steering Committee of the ASP