

# **Soils and GEF-8**

(English session)
19 April 2023 h 12:00 - 1:30 PM CEST GMT+2
(virtual meeting)

#### 12:00 – 12:10 PM CEST | Opening, welcome remarks

Ms Anne Muriuki, African Soil Partnership Chair Mr Filippo Benedetti, Global Soil Partnership Secretariat

#### 12:10 - 12:20 PM CEST | Item 1

The GEF-8 replenishment cycle Programming Directions: focal areas and integrated programs

Mr Pierre Begat, FAO GEF Coordination Unit, OCB

#### 12:20 - 12:40 PM CEST | Item 2

Soil and SSM related entry points to the Land Degradation, Climate Change and Biodiversity focal areas. Soils and SSM within the Food Systems, Ecosystem restoration, Net-Zero Accelerator and Critical Forest Biomes integrated programs. Related GSP tools and programs. Examples from GEF-7 *Ms Maria Ferro Vazquez, Global Soil Partnership Secretariat* 

# 12:40 - 12:50 PM CEST | Item 3

Funding bids and the project design process (examples)

Mr Pierre Begat, FAO GEF Coordination Unit, OCB

# 12:50 - 1:00 PM CEST | Item 4

FAO's GEF-8 portfolio in sub-Saharan Africa countries. How to engage with current initiatives

Mr Pierre Begat, FAO GEF Coordination Unit, OCB

### 1:50 - 1:20 PM CEST | Questions and answers

Mr Pierre Begat, FAO GEF Coordination Unit, OCB Ms Maria Ferro Vazquez, Global Soil Partnership Secretariat

# 1:20 - 1:30 PM CEST | Wrap up and closure of the webinar

Mr Filippo Benedetti, Global Soil Partnership Secretariat



The Global Soil Partnership (GSP) is a globally recognized mechanism established in 2012. Our mission is to position soils in the Global Agenda through collective action. Our key objectives are to promote Sustainable Soil Management (SSM) and improve soil governance to guarantee healthy and productive soils, and support the provision of essential ecosystem services towards food security and improved nutrition, climate change adaptation and mitigation, and sustainable development.

