Terms of Reference

Technical Committees

International Network on Soil Fertility and Fertilizers-INSOILFER

Anyone interested in joining the Technical Committee can submit an expression of interest to the INSOILFER coordinators (Yuxin.Tong@fao.org; Vinisa.saynessantillan@fao.org). Please send your executive CV (no longer than one page) and a letter of application explaining your reasons for applying for the position.

- A Technical Committee will be established for each working group and shall be composed considering regional, gender, and age balance. The term of the members of the Technical Committee is two years, renewable to a second term.
- Candidates will be proposed and selected by the members of INSOILFER on the basis of their knowledge, experience and technical competence (on INSOILFER areas of work) as well as their commitment to INSOILFER and the time they can devote to the work.
- Members of the Technical Committee who would not be able to carry out their mandate for any reason, will be replaced by another person, maintaining the regional and expertise balance. A member of the Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soils (ITPS) will be invited to be part of the INSOILFER Technical Committee.

The main roles of the Technical Committee are:
- Reviewing the proposals made by the network, writing of technical documents, communication materials, and the harmonization of standard operating procedures (SOP).
- Approving or rejecting the proposals. The decisions will be reported to all the members by the INSOILFER coordinators.
- Advising the working groups on how to write the technical documents approved by the Steering Committee.