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# LAUNCH OF THE INTERNATIONAL NETWORK ON SOIL POLLUTION (INSOP)

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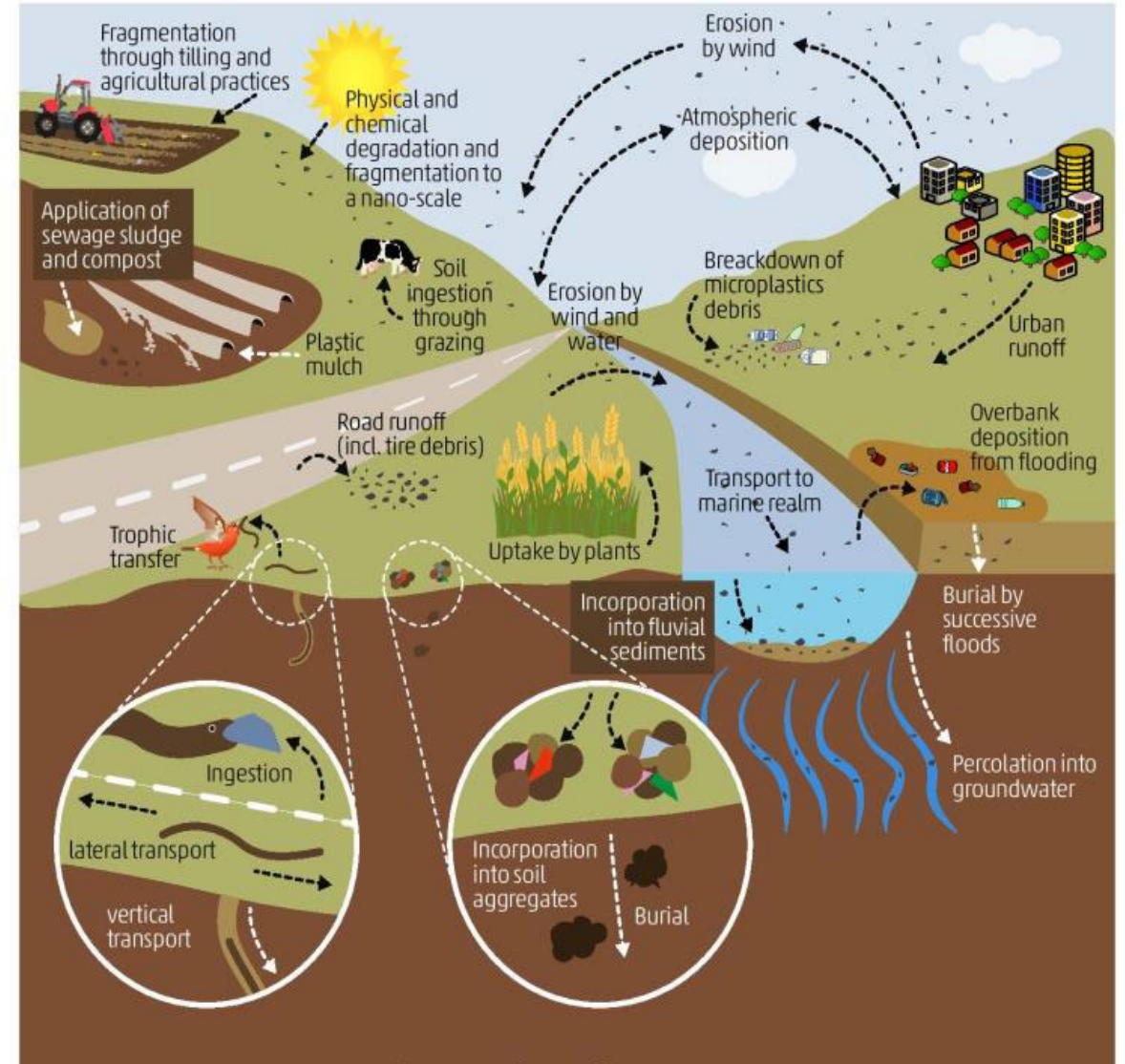


## INSOP Vision, Mission and Goals *Sergejus Ustinov*



# Soil Pollution

- It threatens our biodiversity and contributes to mass extinction
- An estimated **2.8 million sites** are potentially contaminated across the EU (JRC, 2018)
- Threat is increasing from a newly emerging contaminants (*synthetic or naturally occurring chemicals*) that are not commonly monitored in the environment, for which no regulatory guidance values are available

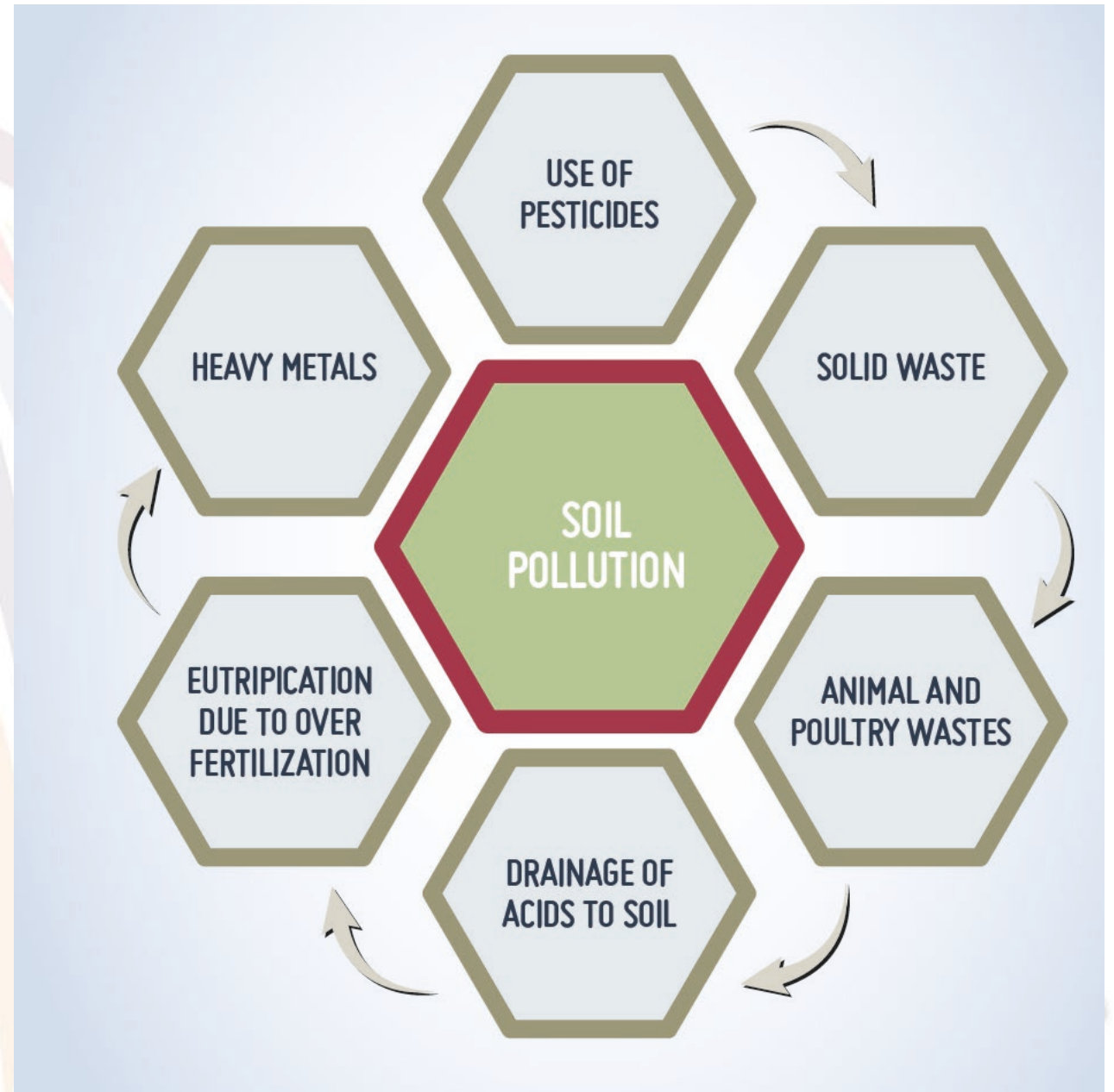


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# Vision

- New soil contamination should be prevented as much as possible, but when it occurs despite preventive and other measures, the risks should be immediately addressed
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- Reduce soil pollution to levels that are no longer harmful to people's health and/or ecosystems





# Mission

- To support and facilitate joint efforts towards **reducing the risks of soil pollution**
- Strengthen technical capacities and legislative frameworks for the **prevention of soil pollution**
- Promote the exchange of experiences and technologies for the **sustainable management and remediation of polluted soils**
- Address key knowledge gaps and improve technical capacities to **detect, quantify, map, and monitor soil pollution**



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# Goal

- Increase efforts to **identify, assess, map, monitor and remediate** contaminated sites, so that soil pollution will no longer pose a health or environmental risk.
- Provide an **international forum**
- Promoting and **exchanging good practices**, practical and scientific knowledge and innovative solutions
- Establishing interdisciplinary **cooperative links** between governments, academia, the private sector, and society
- Strengthening **technical and technological capacities**



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## Thank you for your attention

