15th Working Session of the Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soils (ITPS)

15, 16 and 17 November 2021, 13:00 – 15:00 CET, Zoom meeting

- Opening of the meeting
- Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable
- Election of Rapporteur
- Cooperation with UNCCDI SPI, 4per1000, others (for information)
- Decisions of the 9th GSP Plenary Assembly concerning the ITPS, welcoming of new ITPS member (for information and decision)
- Report of the work performed since the 14th working session (for information and decision)
  - Report of the SOC working group (SOC Manual interpretation table, new developments of RECSOIL)
  - Report of the soil pollution working group (Technical Manual, remediation project)
  - Report of the soil biodiversity working group (NETSOBI work plan and Global Soil Biodiversity Observatory)
  - Report of the soil salinity working group (Global Symposium on Salt-Affected Soils, INSAS)
  - Report of the soil fertility working group (Global Symposium on Soil Fertility, Implementation plan of the Fertilizer Code)
  - Report of the mapping working group (progress on GSSmap, GSOCseq, GBSmap, and GSERmap, brainstorming on soil nutrient budget maps)
- Future ITPS Letters (for information and decision)
- Protocol for Sustainable Soil Management (for information and decision)
- Discussion on the 2nd Edition of the SWSR Report (for information and decision)
- Any other business
- Date and venue of the next meeting
- Closure of the meeting
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  • Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable  
  • Election of Rapporteur | Ms Rosa Poch, ITPS Chair  
Mr Ronald Vargas, GSP Secretariat |       |
| 13:10 – 13:20 | Item 2: Cooperation with SPI, 4per1000, others | Ms Rosa Poch, ITPS Chair |       |
| 13:20 – 13:50 | Item 3: Decisions of the 9th GSP Plenary Assembly concerning the ITPS, welcoming of new ITPS member  
  • Welcoming to the new ITPS member  
  • Assessment of the economic benefits of sustainable soil management (SSM) for farmers and other land users | Ms Rosa Poch, ITPS Chair  
Mr Ronald Vargas, GSP Secretariat |       |
| 13:50 – 15:00 | Item 4: Report of the work performed since the 14th working session  
  a. SOC working group (13:50 – 14:10)  
  • SOC Manual – interpretation table  
  • RECSOIL: implementation plan  
  b. Soil pollution working group (14:10 – 14:30)  
  • Technical manuals  
  • Remediation and management project  
  c. Soil biodiversity working group (14:30 – 14:50)  
  • NETSOBI work plan  
  • Global Soil Biodiversity Observatory | ITPS WG coordinators (10’ per topic plus 10’discussion) |       |

### Tuesday 16 November 2021

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  a. Soil salinity working group (13:00 – 13:20)  
  • Global Symposium on Salt-Affected Soils  
  • INSAS  
  b. Soil fertility working group (13:20 – 13:40)  
  • Global Symposium on Soils for Nutrition 2022  
  • Implementation plan of the Fertilizer Code  
  c. Black soils working group (13:40 – 14:00)  
  • Report of the Global Status of Black Soils  
  d. Soil mapping working group (14:00 – 14:20)  
  • Available GloSIS data products: Global Soil Salinity Map (GSSmap) and Global Soil Organic Carbon Sequestration Potential Map (GSOCseq)  
  • Progress on Global Soil Erosion Map (GSERmap) |                                                   |
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<td>• Letters under development (soil sealing, soil education and awareness)</td>
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<td>Item 6: Protocol for Sustainable Soil Management</td>
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