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Status of the World's Soil Resources Report Update

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Progress Update

Two reports

- Summary for Policymakers
- Main Report
 - 1) Research Summary
 - 2) Regional Assessments

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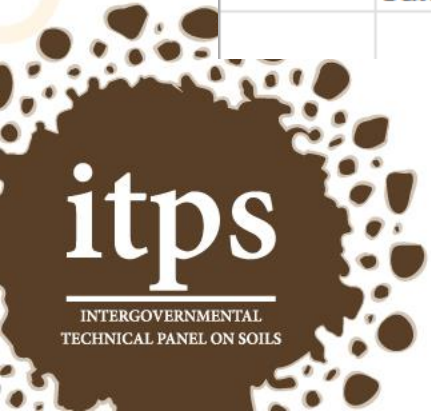
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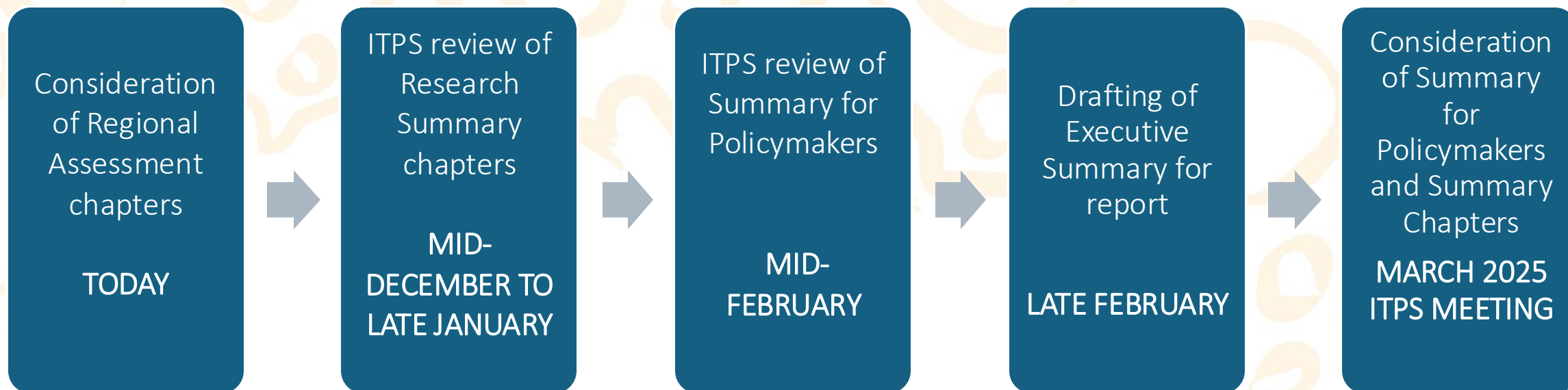
SWSRR Progress 2024_11_11							
Main Report							
Chapter	Short name	First Draft	Under review	Under revision	ITPS review	Copy editing	ITPS Approval
1	Introduction	[Purple bar]					
2	Sustainable Development Goals	[Green bar]					
3	Threats to functions	[Grey bar]					
4	Drivers	[Blue-grey bar]					
5	SSM	[Orange bar]					
6	Adoption of SSM	[Light blue bar]					
7	Assessment Criteria	[Yellow bar]					
8	Asia RA	[Dark green bar]					
9	Europe and Eurasia	[Dark blue bar]					
10	Latin America and Caribbean	[Light grey bar]					
11	Near East and North Africa	[Light blue bar]					
12	North America	[Red bar]					
13	Sub-Saharan Africa	[Pink bar]					
14	Southwest Pacific	[Brown bar]					
15	Conclusions						
Summary for Policymakers							



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Remaining ITPS tasks for 2025 Status of the World's Soil Resources Report



External and ITPS reviews completed for Regional Assessments



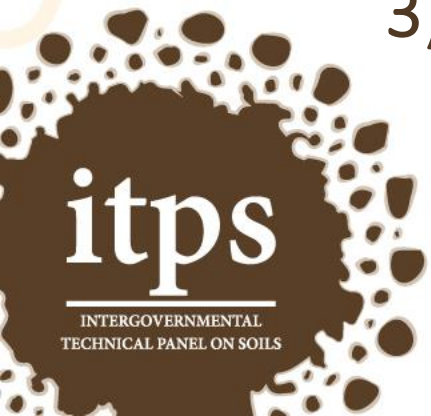
1) Approval of Regional Assessments to be discussed at this meeting

External review completed for Research Summary chapters in
Main report



2) Process for ITPS review of Research Summary chapters
to be discussed at this meeting

3) Structure of Summary for Policymakers and ITPS review process for
Summary for Policymakers to be discussed this meeting



Discussion of Regional Assessments

Process for decision making was discussed
in email of **October 22, 2024**

No objections were raised in reviews submitted by ITPS members
All chapters were screened for plagiarism

Regional Assessments will be revised to address
comments from ITPS members and from subsequent levels
of review



ITPS review of Research Summary chapters

Review process discussed at **March 2024** meeting

All chapters have undergone external review
and subsequent revisions

All chapters will undergo copy editing to apply
FAOSTYLE, check citations etc.



ITPS review of Research Summary chapters

High-level review requested from ITPS

Are the statements made in the report clear?

Are the statements in the report supported by
the information presented?

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ITPS review of Research Summary chapters

Groups of three ITPS members will be formed

Each group will be assigned chapters or sections of chapters (for longer chapters)

Approximately 20 pages of text per group

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ITPS review of Research Summary chapters

Ideally all ITPS members will review the Conclusions chapter (15 pages)

ITPS members may also choose to review any additional sections of the report



Summary for Policymakers

25 pages of text maximum

The Summary for Policy Makers (SPM) will be based on the conclusions of the main report and the graphical summaries of state and trend for each regional assessment.

Graphical summaries of state and trend for each regional assessment were completed as part of regional assessments



Development of Summary for Policymakers

The development of the Summary for Policy Makers will be overseen by the Chair of the ITPS and the Chair of the SWSRR 2025 Working Group.

Preliminary draft of SPM will be prepared by **mid January**.

Draft will be revised after review of Conclusions chapter of Main report by ITPS members

Revised draft will be posted for ITPS review by **February 14**

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Executive Summary

The Summary for Policy Makers will require an executive summary (ONE PAGE only).

The executive summary will present the key messages of the report from the ITPS.

The executive summary will be drafted by Working Group members, discussed at WG meeting in March 2025 and presented to full ITPS at **March 2025** meeting

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