

# Boosting the practice of Sustainable Soil Management

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#### Global Soil Partnership

- A mechanism to develop a strong partnership and enhance collaboration between all stakeholders
- With the common objective of improving soil governance and promoting sustainable soil management.
- > 8 regional partnerships, over 370 partners worldwide
- ➤ 160 focal points appointed directly by FAO Members
- Expert working groups on soil organic carbon, soil pollution, soil erosion, soil biodiversity, soil salinity, soil legislation, etc.

http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/en/



#### Soil governance

to address soil degradation & provide solutions through Sustainable soil management









#### **GSP Pillars of Action**

- **1. Sustainable soil management** → technical tools to support implementation on the ground
- **2. Governance, education, awareness** → translation of knowledge into actions
- 3. Knowledge → reports on the status of soil
- **4. Soil data and information** → GLOSIS, maps and statistics
- 5. Harmonization of methods, measurements and indicators → GLOSOLAN



#### **Five technical networks**

Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soil ITPS

International Network of Soil
Information Institutions - INSII





Soil Laboratory Network - GLOSOLAN

International Network of Black Soils - INBS



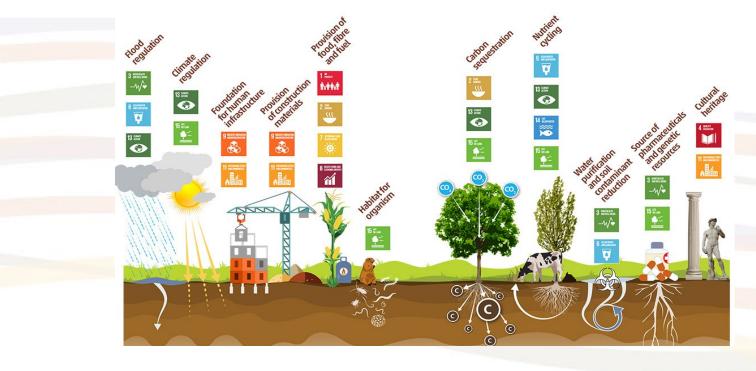


International Network of

Salt-Affected Soils - **INSAS** 



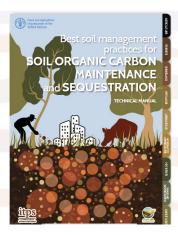
# Sustainable soil management provides ecosystem services, contributing to achieve the SDGs





#### **Sustainable Soil Management**

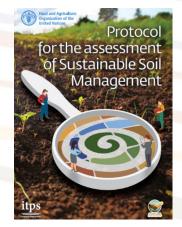
#### Implementation



Management practices and case studies for SOC-hot spots, cropland, grassland, forestry, wetlands, urban Soils

#### Measurement





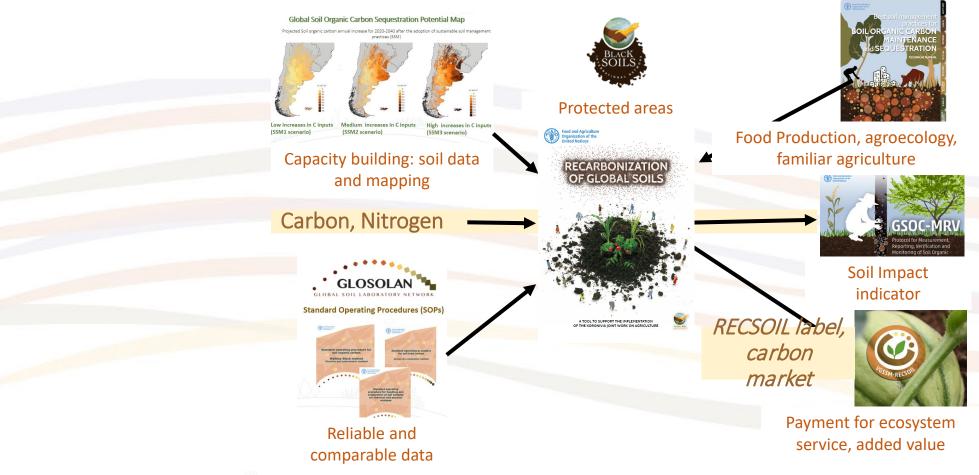
#### Dissemination





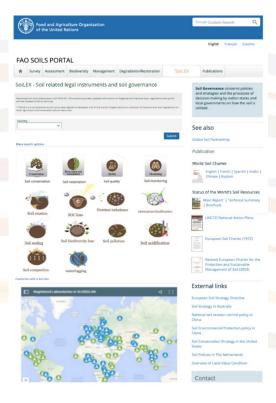


#### **RECSOIL** a cross cutting programme





# SoiLEX - global database on national legislation on soil



- 1. Facilitates access to information on existing legal instruments,
- 2. Helps identify the main gaps in the legal frameworks for soil protection,
- 3. Develop new knowledge and document good practices.

Users can search legal instruments by soil keywords and by country, providing a central source of information contributing to research and facilitating the understanding of national soil legal frameworks.



### Raising awareness on soils at global level

- WORLD SOIL DAY (5 December) +780 events in 105 countries
- SOIL PRIZES: Glinka World Soil Prize WSD award (every year)
- Support to Meetings, trainings, regional workshops and international conferences: speeches, ppt, logistics, photogallery...
- GLOBAL SYMPOSIA
- Websites and Portals (GSP + soils portal + WSD website + IYS)
- COMMUNICATION TOOLKITS: video, animations
- Newsletters and special announcements
- SOCIAL MEDIA (Facebook, twitter, LinkedIn, etc)





#### **Key results 2020**

#### **W**FBINARS

- Fertilizer Code's implementation | 502 participants
- RECSOIL: Recarbonization of global soils | 1466 participants
- Soil Biodiversity: a nature-based solution? | 1331 participants
- Launch of the Soil Doctors Global programmes | 711 participants
- Soil Governance and SoiLEX launch | 800 participants
- World Soil Day event | 2950 participants

#### **GSP FB**

- 11.084 followers (+ 51% over 2019)
- 285 posts (5/6 posts per week)
- 1 million post reach

#### TWITTER

- 1553 followers
- 271 tweets
- 9.8% Engagement rate; 188.000 impressions



#### **SUBSCRIBE & SHARE**

Fertilizer Code's implementation

Soil Biodiversity: a nature-based solution?

@GLOBALSOILPARTNERSHIP



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#### **GSP Global symposia**

State-of-the-art information & building multi-stakeholder network



Global Symposium on Soil Organic Carbon 2017



Global Symposium on Soil Erosion 2019



Global Symposium on Soil Pollution 2018



Global Symposium on Soil Biodiversity 2021



Global Symposium on Salt- Affected Soils (October 27-29, 2021)



#### **Technical publications**

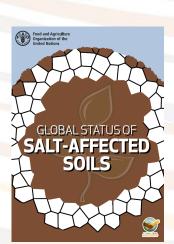
- First global assessment of soil resources
- Ten major threats affecting soil health globally
- 2<sup>nd</sup> edition in 2025

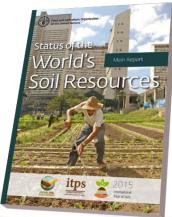
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## International Network of Soil Information Institutions

Enhance the quality and availability of soil data and information at national, regional and global level.



#### Global Soil Information System - GloSIS

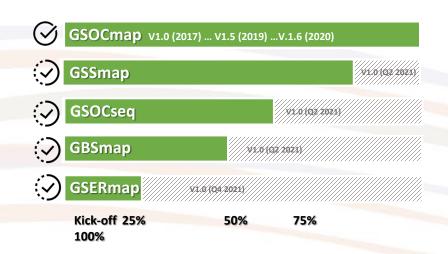
DECENTRALISED / FEDERATED / NATIONAL
OWNERSHIP / LIGHTWEIGHT & AFFORDABLE
/ OPEN SOURCE / COUNTRY DRIVEN

contribute to more consistent
and accurate global soil data
products to be used in
SDG-related reporting
(informing national policy
development)





#### **GloSIS Country Driven Global Datasets**



#### All GloSIS Data Products are:

country-driven, continuous, participatory, progressive and iterative, multi-stakeholder oriented, and based on and guided by the best available science, rigorous collection and analysis of appropriate data, and consideration of experiences and good practices within, and outside, countries.

Pillar 4 <u>Capacity Development</u> has reached more than 1000 Experts from more than 130 Countries





#### **GSP Supports Countries for their SIS**

#### Completed

- Sudan (SuSIS)
- Macedonia (MaSIS)
- Lesotho (LeSIS)
- Afghanistan (SISAf)
- Cambodia (CamSIS)
- Latin America (SISLAC)

#### In the pipeline

- Liberia
- Nepal
   Nepal
- Bangladesh
   Philippines

• Sri Lanka

- Bhutan
- Vietnam
- LAO PDR
- Thailand
- Kyrgyzstan
- Indonesia
- Mongolia
- Serbia
- Myanmar

Asian Soil Information System (ASIS)



#### **Global Soil Laboratory Network**

Established in 2017 to build and strengthen the capacity of laboratories in soil analysis and to respond to the need for harmonizing soil analytical data.

- Almost 700 laboratories registered
- 6 Regional Soil Laboratory Networks established
- Establishment of National Soil Laboratory Networks ongoing

#### Main areas of work:

- 1. Standard Operating Procedures (5 SOPs in 2019, 10 SOPs in 2020, +13 SOPs to be harmonized in 2021)
- 2. Quality Assurance/Quality Control (2 regional proficiency tests in 2018, 1 global proficiency test in 2019)
- 3. Capacity building: Training & Equipment (equipment to 18 labs)
- 4. Promotion of new technologies: soil spectroscopy





### Collaboration with regional and national networks

#### ¿What?

- Resource mobilisation, collaboration in regional FAO projects
- Webinars/trainings on priority issues of regional interest
- Awareness raising (press release, translations into local languages) Implementation of AMS programmes and networks at regional and national level Identification of stakeholders at national and regional level
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#### **Advantages of the GSP**

#### Strategic position:

- Authoritative voice on soil issues
- In direct contact with all countries/regions
- Receives inputs from other relevant initiatives or where soils need to be considered
- Is aware of/inputs to/has input from/has input to high level events, programmes and meetings (COPs, G20, Food System Summit, etc.)
- Channels information to and from partners and identifies relevant stakeholders
- Relative ease and experience in resource mobilisation





