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## 8<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN SOIL PARTNERSHIP PLENARY MEETING

24 JUNE 2021 10:00 – 13:00 and 14:00 – 17:00 (Zoom meeting)

*Chair: Rainer Baritz, EEA*

*Secretariat: Marc Van Liedekerke, European Commission – Joint Research Centre*

*Registration: [https://fao.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwrcu-upzsjGtABYu4DAebi6kw\\_7BXLJJ\\_Z](https://fao.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwrcu-upzsjGtABYu4DAebi6kw_7BXLJJ_Z)*

### DRAFT AGENDA: Topics

#### 1. Opening (Welcome, agenda, tour de table)

#### 2. Reports

- 2.1 Chair and Steering Committee (report of the Chair, SC meeting report)
- 2.2 Information about sub-regional partnerships
- 2.3 GSP and ITPS (ongoing products, product requests, level of ESP-country involvement, overview of ESP donorship and investment objectives)
- 2.4 Initiatives related to Pillars (ESP initiatives, and initiatives by partners, such as European Joint Programming, Mission Board on Soil Health and Food, others)

#### 3. Soil governance

- 3.1 Overview:
  - a) FAO level (official representations at FAO and at the EU-Council, EU and non-EU members)
  - b) GSP-level (RoP, ToR, implementation plans, action areas/pillars, roles of GSP/ESP members, WGs, writing teams, etc.)
  - c) ESP-level (ToR, Steering committee with new representative of national focal points incl. EC, status of sub-regional partnerships, implementation plan)
- 3.2 EU policies and implications for governance: status quo, challenges, and vision

#### 4. Preparations for the GSP Plenary Assembly

#### 5. ESP Secretariat (nominations and vote)

#### 6. Other

- 6.1 Conclusions and observations from partners and SC
- 6.2 Next ESP Plenary assembly: date, location

6.3 World Soil Day 2021

6.4 Closing