Ninth session

Virtual, 08-10 September 2021

Agenda and timetable

Virtual via Zoom

WEDNESDAY 08 September | 12:00 – 15:00

1. **Opening of the session, launch of the GSOCseq and Technical Manual and adoption of the Agenda** (GSPPA:IX/2021/1)
   - Opening of the Plenary by Mr Qu Dongyu, Director General, FAO
   - Opening remarks by Mr Victor Villalobos, Secretary of Agriculture of Mexico
   - Keynote presentation “Soil Investment hub: mobilizing financial resources to boost soil health” Mr Tony Siantonas, World Business Council for Sustainable Development
   - Launch of the Global Soil Organic Carbon Sequestration Potential map, Mr Guillermo Peralta, GSP Secretariat, FAO
     - Application of the GSOCseq map in Colombia, Mr Jorge Mario Díaz Luengas, AGROSAVIA
     - The case of Brazil in recarbonization of soils, Mr Celso Moretti, President EMBRAPA
   - Introduction to the Plenary by Mr Lifeng Li, Director Land and Water Division, FAO
   - Adoption of the agenda

2. **Implementation of the Recommendations of the GSP Evaluation: for decision** (GSPPA:IX/2021/2) (Presented by Mr Ronald Vargas)
   - New GSP Action Framework: healthy soils for a healthy life
   - Assessment of the implications of an eventual institutionalization of the GSP

   - Report by the chairperson on main activities and outcomes of the work programme 2019-2020
   - Extension of ITPS members due to COVID19
   - ITPS work programme 2021-2022
   - Towards the Second edition of the Status of the World’s Soil Resources
4. **Report on the financial status of the GSP:** *for information*  
(Presented by Ms Vanja Maslovarik)  

**THURSDAY 09 September | 12:00 – 15:00**

5. **Report on normative tools and actions on sustainable soil management:** *for decision*  
(Presented by Ms Carolina Olivera)  
- Compliance of the Voluntary Guidelines for Sustainable Soil Management  
- International Code of Conduct for the Sustainable Use and Management of Fertilizers  
- RECSOIL: recarbonization of global soils  
- Soil Doctors  

6. **Status about Global Symposia:** *for decision*  
(Presented by Ms Maria Konyushkova)  
- Global Symposium on Soil Biodiversity  
- Global Symposium on Salt Affected Soils  
- Global Symposium on Soils for Nutrition  
- Themes for the next Symposia  

7. **Highlights of the GSP work on soil threats and global assessments:** *for decision*  
(Presented by Ms Natalia Rodriguez)  
- Soil pollution  
- Soil biodiversity loss  
- Soil salinity  
- Soil erosion  
- Soil governance (SoilLEX)  

10. **World Soil Day (theme for 2022), awareness raising on soils and Prizes:** *for information*  
(Presented by Ms Isabelle Verbeke)

**FRIDAY 10 September | 12:00 – 15:00**

8. **Report on Regional Soil Partnerships:** *for decision*  

8.1 African Soil Partnership – Mr Victor Chude  
8.2 Asian Soil Partnership – Mr Pablo Montalla  
8.3 European Soil Partnership – Mr Rainer Baritz  
8.4 Latin America and the Caribbean Partnership – Ms Carla Pascale  
8.5 NENA Soil Partnership – Mr Rachid Moissadek
8.6 North American Soil Partnership – Mr David Lindbo

8.7 Pacific Soil Partnership – Mr Peter Wilson


- International Network of Soil Information institutions (INSII) (Presented by Mr Yusuf Yigini)
- Global Soil Laboratory Network (GLOSOLAN) (Presented by Ms Nopmanee Suvannang)
- International Network on Fertilizers Assessment (INFA) (Presented by Mr Wesley Karl Feldmann)
- International Network of Black Soils (INBS) (Presented by Mr Ivan Vasenev)
- International Network of Salt Affected Soils (INSAS) (Presented by Mr Jorge Batlle-Sales)

11. Report on efforts towards sustainable soil management by partners: for information

12. Date and venue of the next Plenary session

13. Any other matters