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# Soil policy briefs

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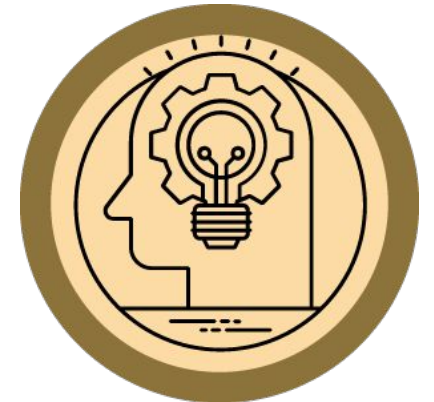
## **GSP Pillar 2:**

*Encourage investment, technical cooperation, policy, education, awareness and extension in soil*



## **Why a policy brief?**

- Awareness raising
- Provide guidance and insights on multiple roles of soil to:
  - Policy-makers
  - Regulators
  - Affected stakeholders



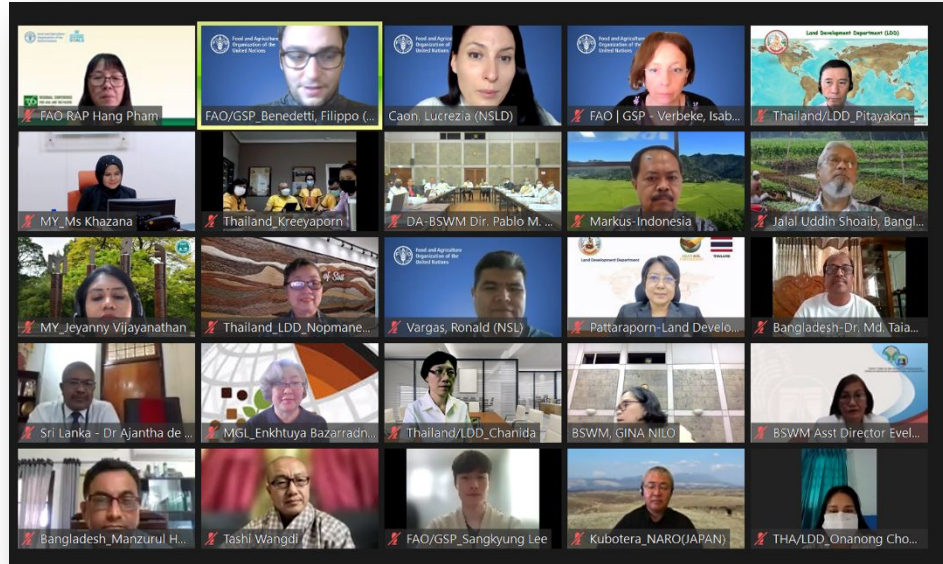


# Examples from the Near East and North African (NENA) region:

- Regional challenges (*available in EN, AR, FR*)
- Salt-affected soils (*available in EN, AR, FR*)
- Soils and green water (*available in EN, AR, FR*)
- Life and soil biodiversity (*under development*)
- Soil pollution in the NENA countries (*under review*)
- Soil fertility and implementation of sustainable soil management (SSM) to boost soil productivity (*under review*)
- Best practices to prevent soil erosion (including water harvesting) (*under review*)
- Conservation agriculture and carbon sequestration (*under review*)
- Soil sealing and soil crusting (*in the 2022 NENA Soil Partnership work plan*)



# Example from Asia

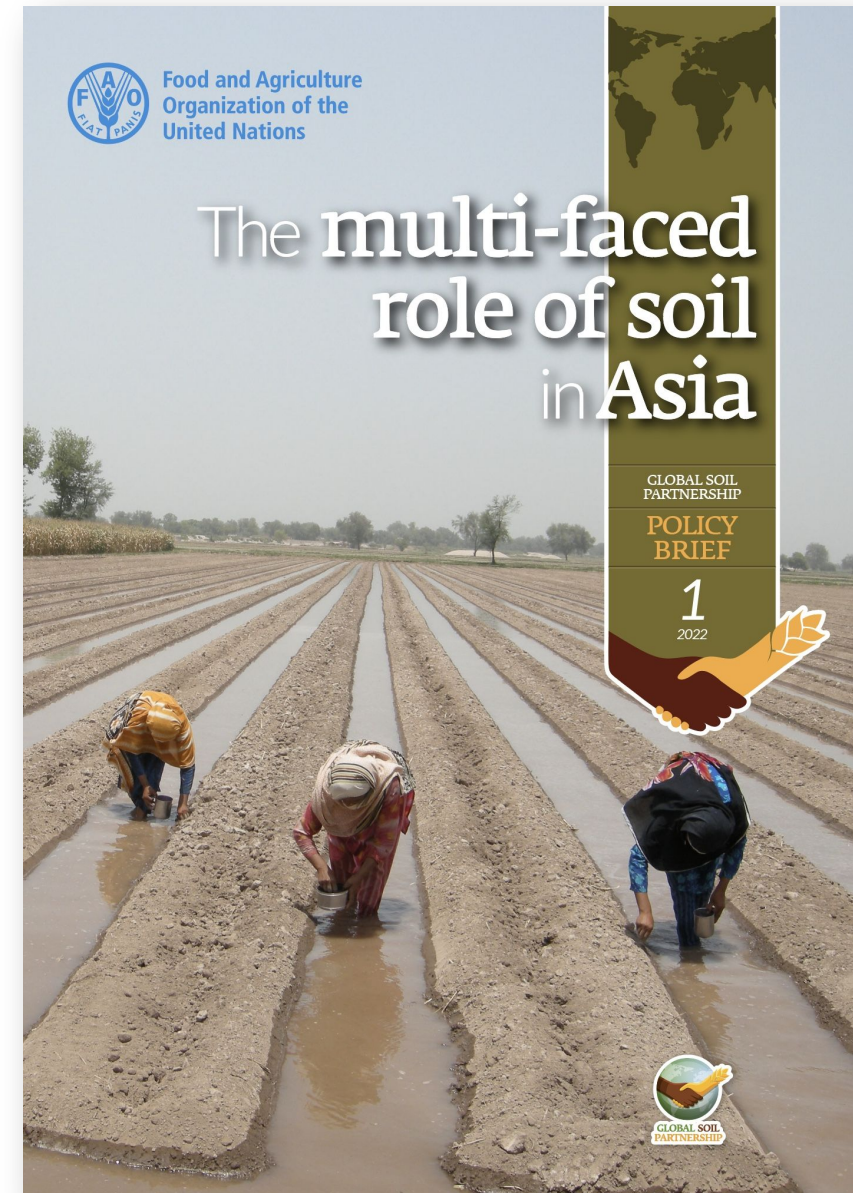


## Structure:

- Healthy soils for food and nutrition
- Soil health and water scarcity
- Healthy soils for climate change mitigation and adaptation
- Sustainable soil management to prevent regional conflicts
- Recommendations and way forward

+ national policy briefs

Coordinated by Pillar 2 Chair Mr. Munir Zia (Pakistan)



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# What about the Pacific?

1. Agree on the main topics to cover (normally starting from a general document on the regional challenges)
2. Establish a working group with leading authors (to draft the text)
3. Define the document structure
4. Review the text
5. Collect HQ pictures to be included
6. Layout
7. Publication





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