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## **2<sup>nd</sup> AFRILAB meeting**

**30 September – 1 October 2020**

Morning session from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM CET

Afternoon session from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM CET

**8 October 2020**

Morning session from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM GMT

*Virtual meeting : Zoom platform*

## Wednesday, 30 September 2020

11:00 – 11:15AM CET **Opening, endorsement of the agenda and group picture**  
*Mr. Giorgi Ghambashidze, EUROSOLAN Chair*  
*Mr. Joseph Uponi, AFRILAB Chair*  
*Ms. Lucrezia Caon, GLOSOLAN Coordinator, GSP Secretariat*

11:15 – 11:40AM CET **Item 1. Global Soil Laboratory Network updates**  
*Ms. Nopmanee Suvannang, GLOSOLAN Chair*

### Training session 1: External quality control

11:40AM – 12:20PM CET **Item 2. How to take action after participating in a PT**  
10 minutes presentation per country

- The case of **Malawi**  
*Mr. Wesley Feldmann, FES – Agricultural Laboratory, Malawi*
- The case of **Nigeria**  
*Mr. Egbe Williams, National Soil Laboratory, Federal Ministry Of Agriculture And Rural Development Kaduna, Nigeria*
- General guidelines and open discussion

*Moderators: Mr. Christian Hartmann, IRD France and Mr. Michael Watts, British Geological Survey*

12:20 – 1:00PM CET **Item 3. Downscaling GLOSOLAN PTs**  
10 minutes presentation per country

- The case of **Ethiopia**  
*Mr. Musefa Redi Abegaz, Holeta Agricultural Research Center, Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research, Ethiopia*
- The case of **Belgium**  
*Mr. Clémence Mariage, Axe Echanges Eau-Sol-Plantes, GxABT, Liege University, Belgium*

*Moderator: Mr. Christian Hartmann, IRD France and Ms. Lucrezia Caon, GSP Secretariat*

1:00 – 2:00PM CET **Lunch break**

2:00 – 2:20PM CET

**Item 4. Establishment of the National Soil Laboratory Networks (NASOLAN)**

*Mr. Filippo Benedetti, GSP Secretariat*

2:20 – 3:40PM CET

**Item 5. Case studies on the establishment of NASOLAN**

10 minutes presentation per country

- **Mozambique Soil Laboratory Network**  
*Mr. Ricardo Maria de Jesus, Institute of Agricultural Research of Mozambique, Central Soil and Plant tissue testing Laboratory, Mozambique*
- **Hungarian Soil Laboratory Network**  
*Ms. Ágnes Nagy, Food Chain Safety Centre Non-profit Ltd., Soil Conservatory Laboratory, Velenca, Hungary*
- **Zimbabwe Soil Laboratory Network**  
*Mr. Washington Mutatu, Zimbabwe Sugar Association Experiment Station, Agricultural Chemistry & Soil Laboratory, Zimbabwe*
- **Ukrainian Soil Laboratory Network**  
*Mr. Maksym Solokha, Laboratory of Instrumental Soil Research Methods of the National Scientific Center "Institute for Soil Science and Agrochemistry Research named after O.N. Sokolovsky", Kharkiv, Ukraine*
- **Nigerian Soil Laboratory Network**  
*Mr. Egbe Williams, National Soil Laboratory, Federal Ministry Of Agriculture And Rural Development Kaduna, Nigeria*
- **Walloon laboratory network**  
*Mr. Clémence Mariage, Axe Echanges Eau-Sol-Plantes, GxABT, Liege University, Belgium*

*Moderator: Mr. Filippo Benedetti, GSP Secretariat*

3:40 - 4:00PM CET

**Item 6. A small fish in a small sea – The perspective of a private soil testing laboratory in Portugal**

*Mr. Alan Evans, A2 Análises Químicas, Portugal*

Thursday, 1 October 2020

**Training session 2: Equipment purchasing, use and maintenance**

11:00 – 11:20AM CET      **Item 7. Good practices on purchasing and operating laboratory equipment**  
*Ms. Lesego Mooketsi-Selepe, AFRILAB Vice-Chair*

11:20AM – 1:00PM CET      **Item 8. Procurement of laboratory equipment**

- Presentation of the survey's results
- GLOSOLAN experience on procurement  
*Ms. Lucrezia Caon, GSP Secretariat*

*Moderator: Ms. Špela Velikonja Boltat, EUROSOLAN vice-Chair*

1:00 – 2:00PM CET      **Lunch break**

2:00 – 4:00PM CET      **Item 9. Equipment installation, use a maintenance – good practices**  
*Ms. Estefania Perez-Fernandez, Ms. Jessical Oliver and Mr. Leonardo Ramirez-Lopez,  
BUCHI Labortechnik AG, Switzerland*

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**Thursday, 8 October 2020**

**Training session 3: Health and safety**

9:30 - 11:30AM GMT      **Item 10. Training on health and safety (in French and English)**  
*Ms. Hanane Aroui, IRD France*

11:30 - 11:45AM GMT      **Break**

**Session 4: Decision making session**

11:45AM - 1:30PM GMT      **Item 11. AFRILAB position in GLOSOLAN (in French and English)**

- Decision on the SOPs to harmonize in 2021 and identification of regional leaders
- Opinion on the need to update the FAO Soils Bulletin 74 – “Guidelines for Quality Management in Soil and Plant Laboratories” -  
(<http://www.fao.org/3/W7295E/W7295E00.htm>)
- Other

***Moderators:** Ms. Lucrezia Caon, FAO and Mr. Joseph Uponi, AFRILAB Chair*

1:30PM GMT      **Closure of the meeting**

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