



## The International Network on Soil Fertility and Fertilizers-INSOILFER: Goals and Potentialities

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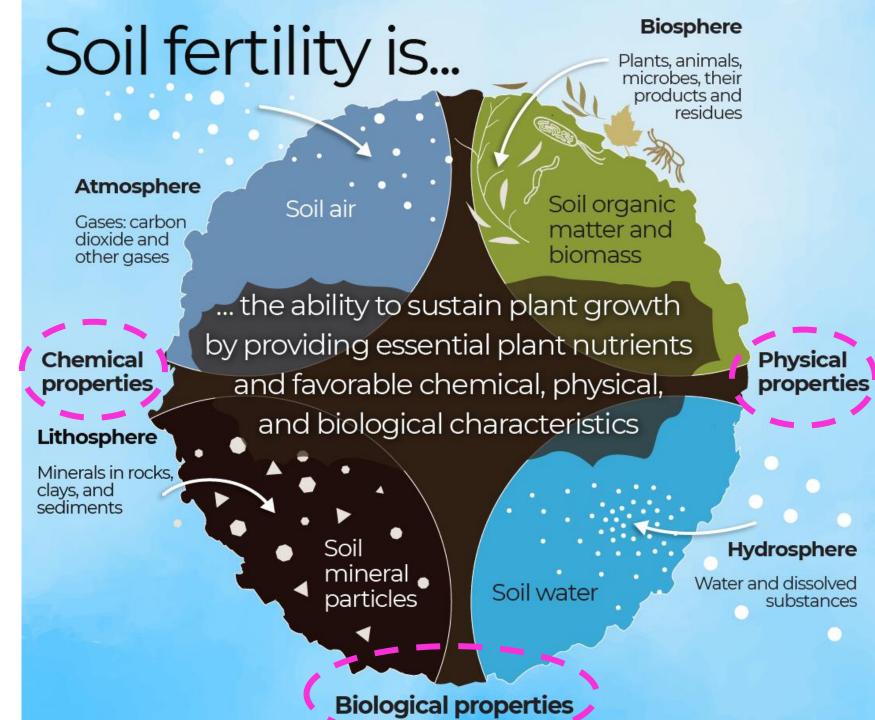
Soil health as a prerequisite for crop production: the relevance of organic fertilizers





# INSOILFER has an integral concept of soil fertility at the core of the actions

Paradigm shifts oriented towards providing the best physical, chemical, and biological conditions to enhance soil nutrient availability and plant uptake are required



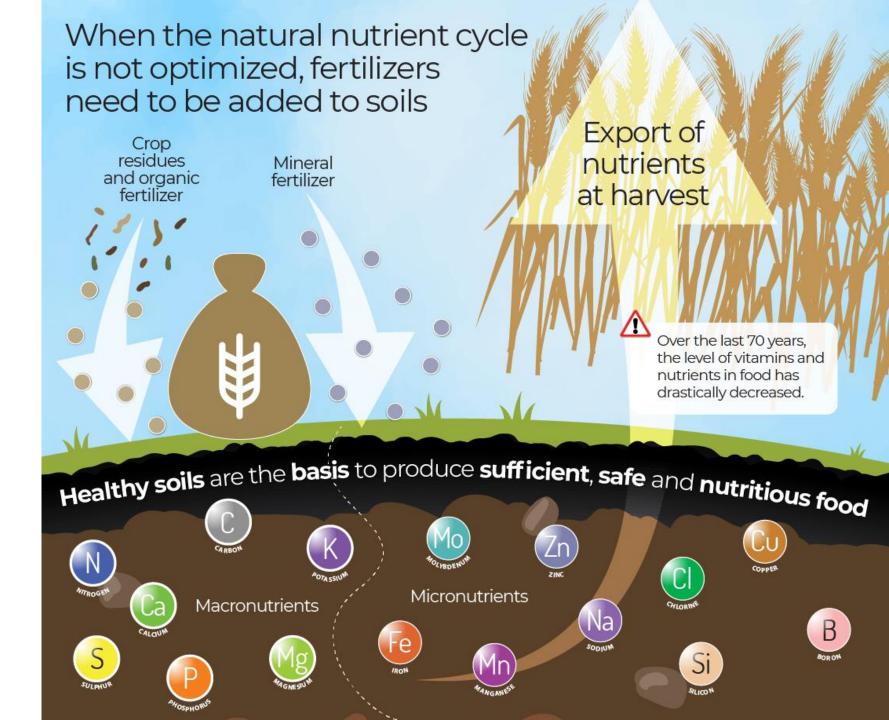
#### Soil degradation constrains food security





INSOILFER aims to contribute to the sustainable management of fertilizers

Avoinding fertilizer overuse, misuse and underuse

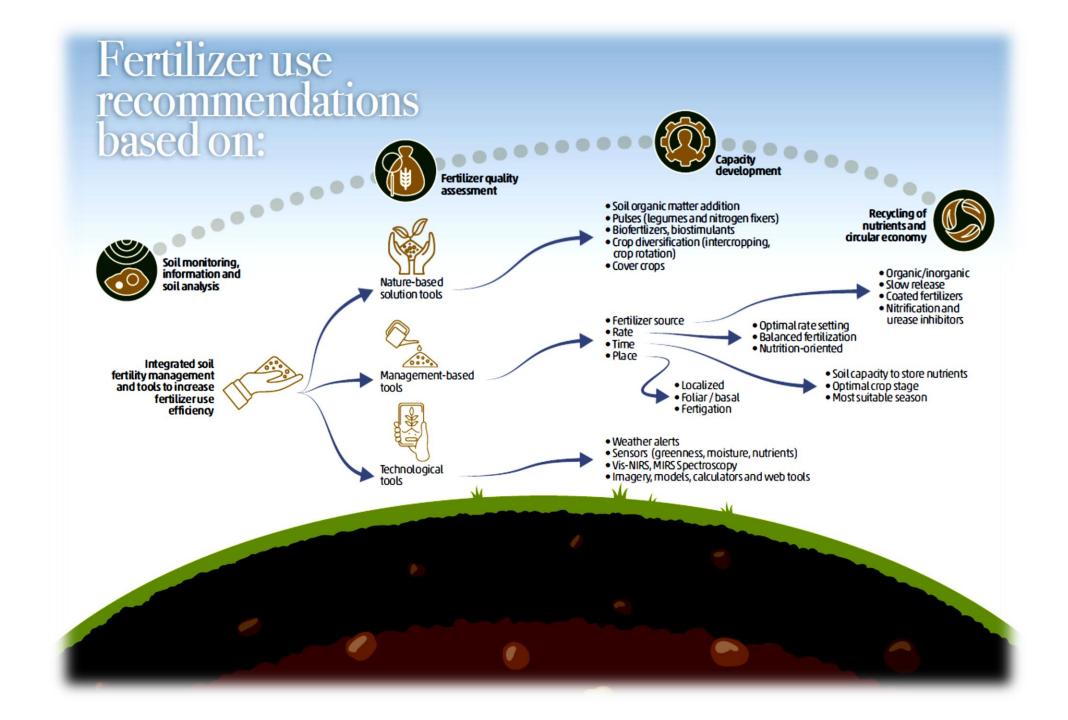




INSOILFER aims to contribute to restoring soil nutrient balance







#### **INSOILFER targets**





- 1. Harmonization laboratory analytical protocols for the safety and quality assessment of fertilizers
- Sample preparation
- NPK
- Heavy metals
- Biofertilizers



- 2. Capacity development for quality assurance of analytical procedures and laboratory staff performance
- Ring test 2024 (NPK)
- Webinar series and trainings on quality assurance



- 3. Regulations and policies on the safety and quality of fertilizers
- Customs procedures
- Regulations and permissible limits for heavy metals

friendly and nutrition-sensitive (not exclusively yield-oriented) fertilizer recommendation system

INSOP, NETSOB, INSAS, INBS GLOSOLAN- harmonization of the soil test kit and field soil test and interpretation



#### Specific INSOILFER potentialities





Soil fertility and nutrient monitoring system
Soil Nutrient Monitoring System



Soil fertility and fertilizer management
Fertilizer Recommendation System



Fertilizer safety and quality
Globally harmonized metrics



Contribute to food security





Improve nutrient-use efficiency



Improve agricultural production

### What are the potentialities of a network specialized in soil fertility and nutrient dynamics?





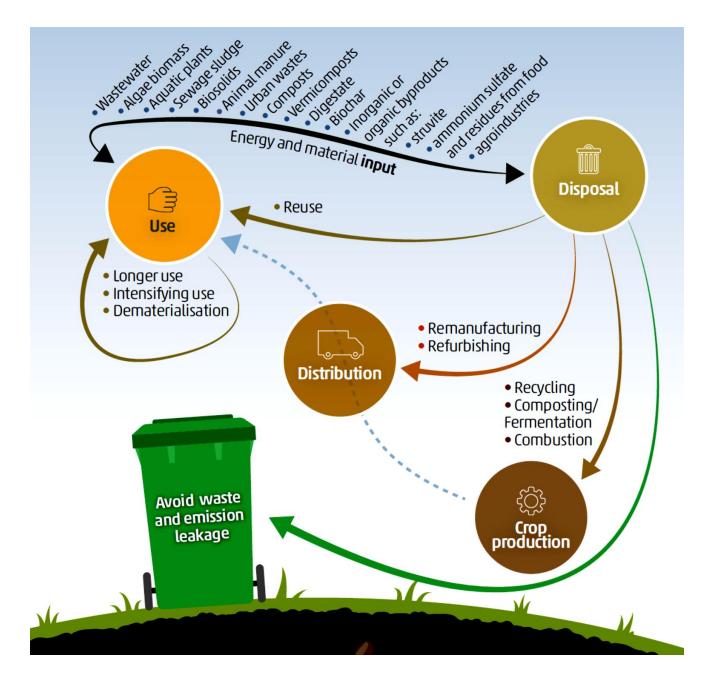
ID and empower sustainable cost-effective agricultural management practices



Improve monitoring approaches



ID and address policy gaps on fertilizer regulation Q/S



Alternative nutrient sources and innovations are necessary to restore nutrient balances



#### Global fertilizer crisis



Supply shortages

triggering price



Soil fertility loss has been exacerbated

P and K stock concentration and manufacturing in a few countries compromise their affordability and availability and directly affect food production.



food production

pacts for farmers

effective



• 40 pe marke About 90 percent of P stocks are concentrated in five countries (China, India, Morocco, the Russian Federation, and the United States of America), while more than half of potassium (K) is found in three countries (Belarus, Canada, and the Russian Federation)

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fertilizer Food systems are responsible for a third of global especially for anthropogenic GHG emissions



