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GSP Action Framework 2022- 2030

Healthy soils for a healthy life and environment: from promotion to consolidation of sustainable soil management

- Stocktaking exercise in response to 7° GSP PA to envisage a new consolidation phase
- Recommendation to move from pillars to a more action-oriented structure
- Possible institutionalization of GSP within FAO formal bodies



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✓ Vision

A world whose soils are **healthy and resilient**, ensuring the sustained provision of ecosystem functions and services for all, leaving no one behind. To this end, the GSP must work to **improve and maintain the health of at least 50 percent of the world's soils by 2030.**

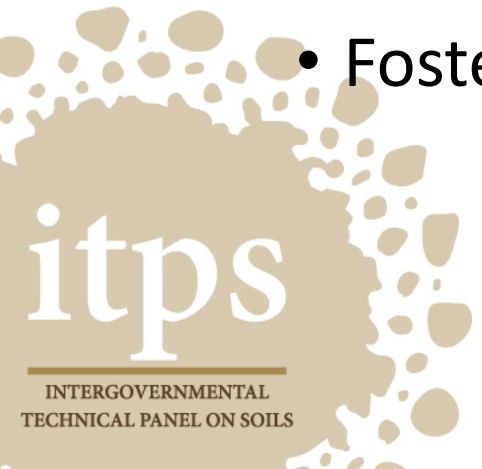
✓ Mission

To facilitate **improved governance** of the limited soil resources of the planet and guarantee the provision of healthy soils for a food secure world, as well as support other essential ecosystem functions and services, in accordance with the sovereign right of each State over its natural resources.

GSP Action Framework 2022- 2030

✓ Action areas

- Manage sustainably and restore soils for the provision of ecosystem services
- Strengthen soil governance
- Promote knowledge and literacy on soils
- Promote awareness raising and advocacy on soil health
- Assess, map, and monitor soil health in a harmonized way
- Foster technical cooperation (including gender and youth)



Actions**Targets (By 2030)****Manage sustainably and restore degraded soils for provision of ecosystem services**

Facilitate equality and inclusion of all men, women, youth and Indigenous People, in particular the poor and vulnerable people, in access to sustainable soil management practices

Enhance implementation of sustainable soil management practices to achieve sustainable food production systems and healthy/resilient ecosystems

Enhance the restoration of degraded soils and prevent any form of degradation of healthy soils

Ensure the protection and sustainable management of black soils in all black soils' countries

Mainstream soil health into national policies and align country actions with the Revised World Soil Charter and the principles of the Voluntary Guidelines for Sustainable Soil Management

Strengthen Soil Governance

Strengthen the sustainable use and management of fertilizers in alignment with the International Code of Conduct for the Sustainable Use and Management of Fertilizers (Fertilizer Code)

Enhance and align soil health monitoring in support of UN Rio Conventions missions

Enhance national technical capacities on sustainable soil management and soil health

Promote knowledge and literacy on soils

Improve the availability of knowledge on the state of world's soil

Promote awareness raising and advocacy on soil health

Substantially increase public awareness regarding the importance of healthy soils for healthy food and ecosystems, and for sustainable development

Expand global advocacy for soil health in international agreements

Assess, map and monitor soil health in a harmonized way

Significantly improve soil data quality and availability to measure and monitor soil health for evidence based and data driven decision-making

Strengthen all GSP technical networks (GLOSOLAN, INFA, INSII, INBS, INSAS, NETSOB, INSOP, and any other network established under the GSP)

Foster technical cooperation (including gender and youth)

Positioning the Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soils (ITPS) as the authority providing scientific advice on soils to the GSP, FAO, the UN Rio Conventions and other relevant UN multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs)



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