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Report of the Global Status of Black Soils

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Progress of the INBS

- ❑ Urgent request from GSP secretariat for publishing the Report of Global Status of Black Soils Report with the GBSmap and presenting in the 10th GSP Plenary Assembly.
- ❑ Lead authors of chapters have submitted the final manuscripts to GSP secretariat. The report is under review by experts of ITPS and INBS members
- ❑ The approach of **Black Soil distribution map** has been developed with an additional approach to predict black soil distribution of countries without requested data. **14** countries developed and submitted their black soil maps, including countries with large areas of black soils, such as Russian Federation, China, Argentine, Ukraine, United States, Canada, Uruguay and Brazil.

Updated progress of the report

- **Introduction**
- ***(Lead author, Mr. Ivan Vasenev)***
- Co authors: Lucia Anjos, Alexei Sorokin, Yuxin Tong, Maria Konyushkova, Miguel Taboada
- Zero version of the chapter has been developed.

Updated progress of the report

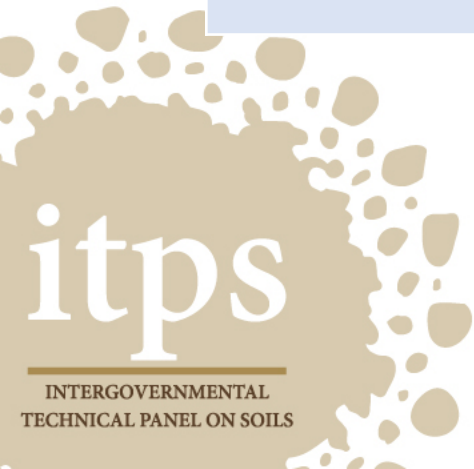
2. Portrait of Black soils (explanatory text to the national map of Black soils, coordinated by P4WG of GSP) (all countries, at least 20 countries).

(Lead author, Mr. Marcos Esteban Angelini)

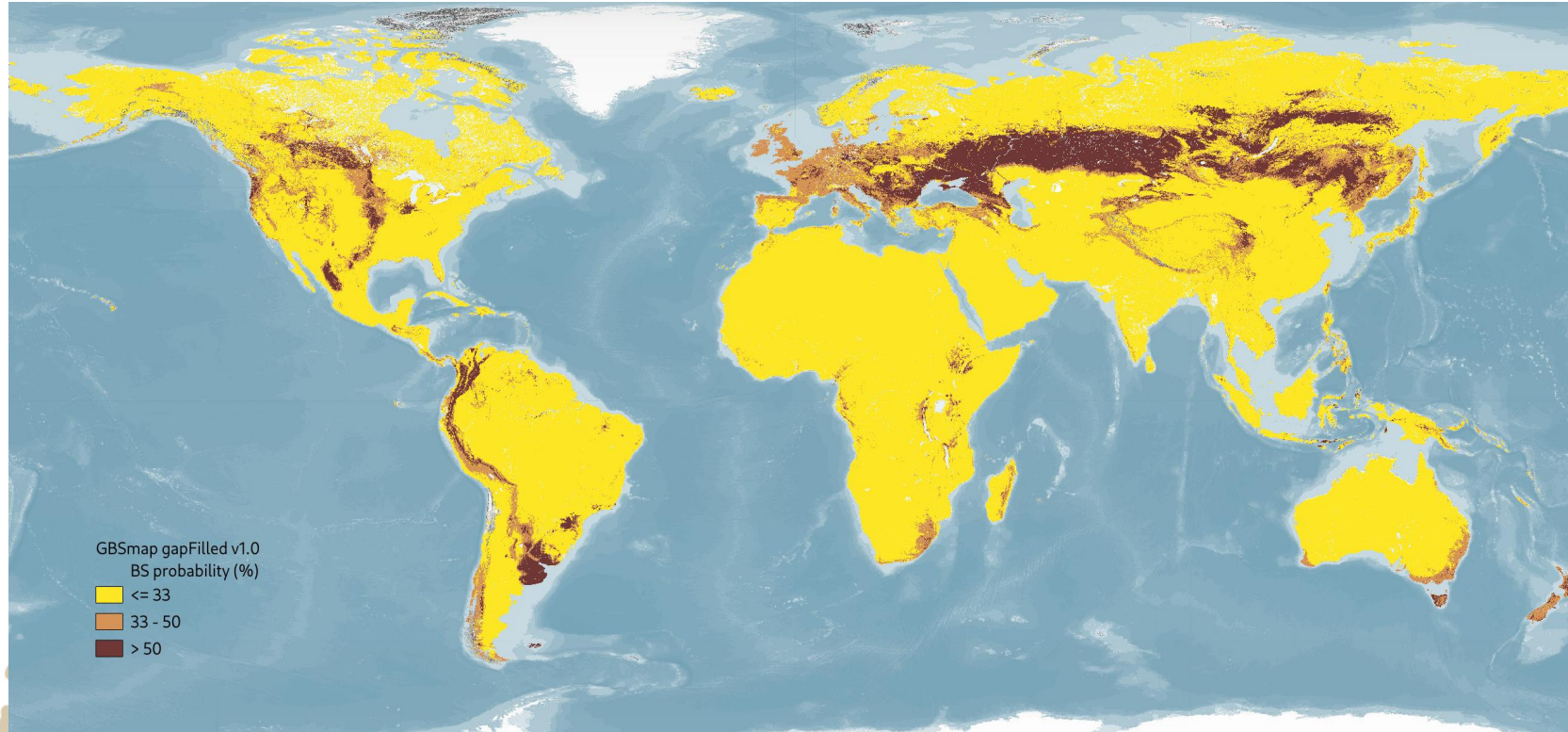
Chapter status

Submitted countries: Ukraine, Syrian, Slovak, Bulgaria, Mongolia, Poland, Brazil, Canada, Argentina, Uruguay, Japen, China, Colombia, Thailand, US.

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Global Black Soil Distribution Map (GBSmap) has been developed and will be included in Chapter 2



Countries	BS area km2
Russian Federation	3,284,671
Kazakhstan	1,076,027
China	549,842
Argentina	420,057
Mongolia	386,076
Ukraine	348,172
United States of America	329,250
Canada	295,402
Colombia	251,994
Mexico	122,386
Romania	117,391
Peru	106,992
Brazil	89,869
Poland	78,690
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Bulgaria	69,427
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Indonesia	49,547

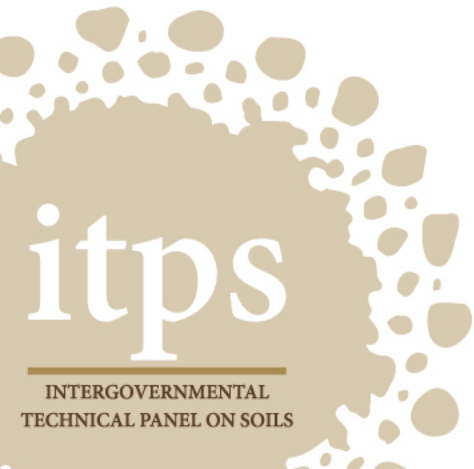
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3. Regional status of Black soils: status of land use, management, changing trend of soil properties (*Lead author, Mr. Pavel Krasilnikov*)

Chapter status

Submitted countries: Russia, China, Colombia, Argentina, Kyrgyz, Syrian, Poland, Brazil, Ukraine, South Africa, Chile, Japan, Netherlands.

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4. The challenges to black soils and the ways/practices to overcome them

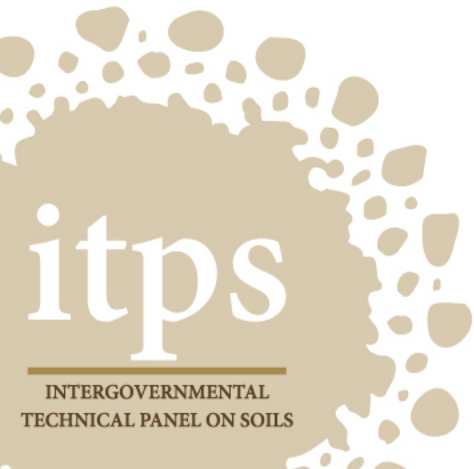
(Lead author, Mr. William May and Mr. Xiaoyuan Geng)

Chapter status

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Committed countries: Russia, Georgia, Thailand, India.

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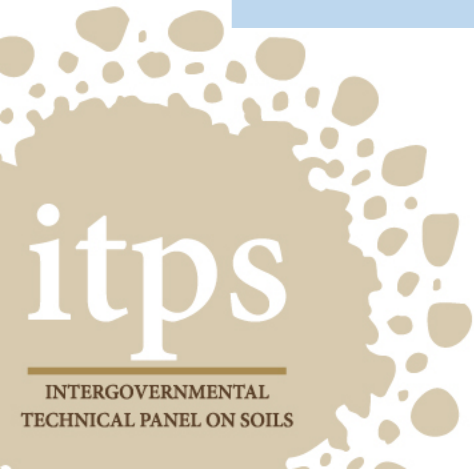
5. Potential response (Policy recommendation)

(Lead author, Mr. Luca Montanarella)

Chapter status

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Work plan of INBS 2022

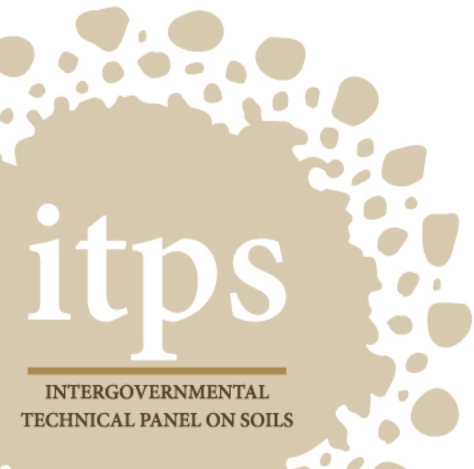
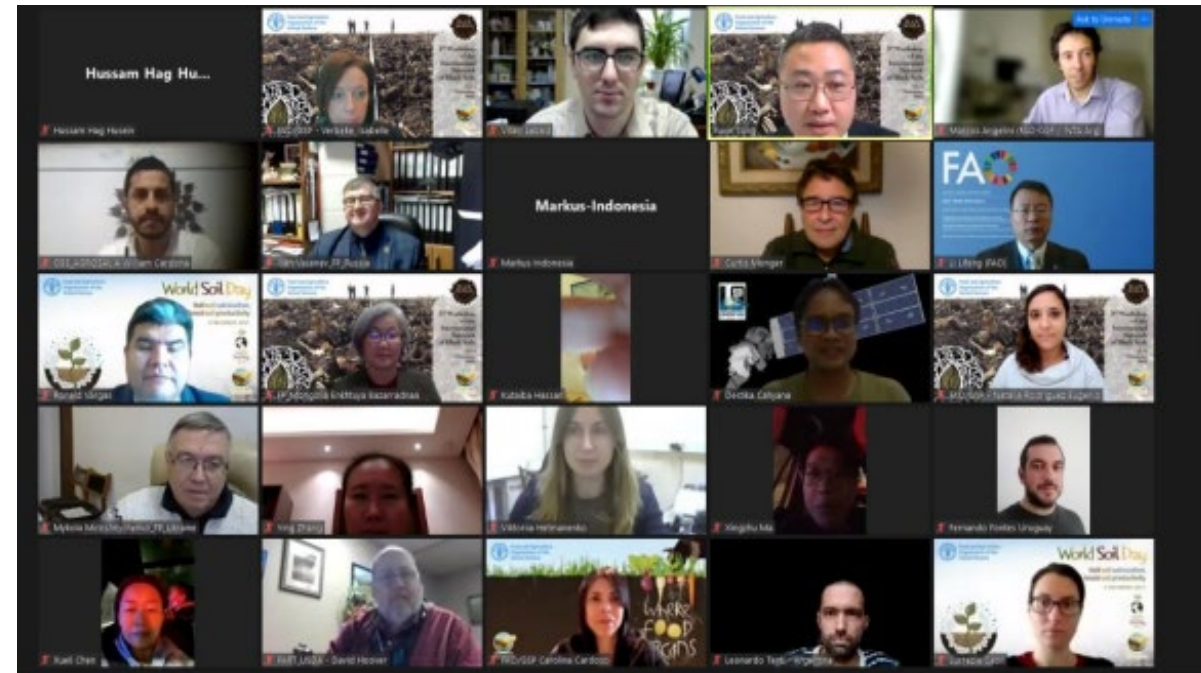
Agenda for the report publication

2021		
March	April	May
Finalize draft version Integrated	Review by INBS members	Publish and launch

3rd Workshop of the INBS

13-14 December 2021 - Goals

- Develop INBS Work plan 2021-2022
- Establish the **International Research Institution of Black Soils (IRIBS)**
- Discuss development of the Report of Global Status of Black Soils
- Discuss the GBSmap methodology.



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Cooperation with GLOSOLAN

- Harmonization of SOPs (Procedures) on organic carbon content
- Platform:
 - Black soil monitoring platform under the INBS framework.
 - International Research Institution of Black Soils

The methods to quantify SOC already harmonized by GLOSOLAN are the following:



SOP Walkley-Black method - titration and colorimetric method ([EN](#) | [ES](#) | [RU](#))



Training video: Walkley and Black - **titration** method

Training video: Walkley and Black - **colorimetric** method

Soil Organic Carbon methods : Sustainability of methods					
Method	Risk for human health related to the use of chemicals and the overall implementation of procedure by staff	Environmental risk (waste disposal)	Level of technology required	Average duration of the analysis	Global median price of the analysis (for the customers)
Walkley & Black	High	High	Low	Up to one working day	6 USD
Tyurin	High	High	Low	Up to one working day	7.6 USD

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