





Agenda of the Sixth Working Session of the Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soils (ITPS), 20-24 March 2017, FAO HQ, Ethiopia room (C-285), Rome, Italy

- 1. Opening of the meeting
- 2. Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable
- 3. Election of Rapporteur
- 4. Report of the work performed since the 5th working session (ITPS)
 - a. Report by Chairs of Pillars
 - b. Report by Chairs of working groups including the preparation of ToRs
- 5. Follow up on the plan for the preparation of the "Status of the World's Soil Resources" report 2020.
- 6. Follow up on the GSP Plans of Action/Implementation Plans:
 - a. Global Soil Organic Carbon Map and the Pillar 4 Implementation Plan
 - b. Implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines for Sustainable Soil Management
- 7. Review of the progress on: a) assessment at global level of the impact of Plant Protection products on soil functions and soil ecosystems; and b) assessment at global level of the potential of soil protection for increased resilience in a context of climate change.
- 8. Preparation for the Global Symposium on Soil Organic Carbon
- 9. Debriefing on the GSOC17 and preparation of follow up activities
- 10. Report on the collaboration between ITPS and the SPI of UNCCD, IPBES and IPCC (Global Symposium on Soil Organic Carbon –GSOC17)
 - a. Review and planning of activities with the SPI
 - b. Review and planning of activities with IPBES
 - c. Review and planning of activities with IPCC
 - d. Follow-up of the 4pour1000 initiative
- 11. Follow up to the 4/1000 initiative
- 12. Report to the Fifth GSP Plenary Assembly
- 13. Date and venue of the next meeting

- 14. Any Other Business
- 15. Closure of the meeting

Monday 20 March			
08:30 - 09:00	Registration		
09:00 - 09:10	Item 1: Opening of the meeting	Mr. Eduardo Mansur, Director Land and Water Division, FAO	
09:10 -09:20	Item 2: Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable	All	
09:20 - 09:30	Item 3: Election of Rapporteur	Mr. Luca Montanarella, (ITPS Chair)	
09:30 - 10:30	Item 4: Report of the work performed since the 5 th working session (ITPS)	Mr. Luca Montanarella, (ITPS Chair) and chairs of GSP Pillars/working groups	
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break		
11:00 - 11:40	Item 5: Follow up on the plan for the preparation of the "Status of the World's Soil Resources" report 2020	Mr. Dan Pennock, Chair Pillar 1	
11:40 - 13:00	Item 6: Follow up on the GSP Plans of Action/Implementation Plans:	All	
	a. Global Soil Organic Carbon Map and the Pillar 4 Implementation Plan	Mr. Rainer Baritz, GSP Secretariat	
	b. Implementation of the VoluntaryGuidelines for Sustainable SoilManagement	Mr. Ronald Vargas, GSP Secretariat	
13:00 - 14:10	Lunch break and group photo		
14:10 - 15:30	Item 7: Review of the progress on: a) assessment at global level of the impact of Plant Protection products on soil functions and soil ecosystems; and b) assessment at global level of the potential of soil protection for increased resilience in a context of climate change.	Mr. Dan Penock, ITPS Chair	
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break		
16:00 – 17:00	Item 8. Preparation for the Global Symposium on Soil Organic Carbon	All	
Tuesday 21 st March			
08:30 - 17:00	Participation in the Global Symposium on Soil Organic Carbon (GSOC17) Different roles	ITPS Members	
Wednesday 22 nd March			
08:30 - 17:00	Participation in the Global Symposium on Soil Organic Carbon (GSOC17)	ITPS Members	

	Different roles		
Thursday 23 rd March			
08:30 - 17:00	Participation in the Global Symposium on Soil Organic Carbon (GSOC17) Different roles	ITPS Members	
Friday 24th March			
08:30 - 10:30	Item 9: Debriefing on the GSOC17 and preparation of follow up activities	All	
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break		
11:00 - 13:00	Item 10: Report on the collaboration between ITPS and the SPI of UNCCD, IPBES and IPCC	All and other Panel representatives	
13:00 - 14:15	Lunch		
14:15 - 15:00	Item 11: Follow-up of the 4pour1000 initiative	ITPS Members and 4/1000 SCT	
15:00 - 15:40	Item 12: Report to the Fifth GSP Plenary Assembly and ITPS publication for 2017	Mr. Luca Montanarella, (ITPS Chair)	
15:40 - 15:50	Item 13: Date and venue of the next meeting	ITPS Members	
15:50 - 16:00	Item 14: Any other business	All	
16:00 - 16:05	Item 15: Closing of the meeting	All	