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## **The journey to success: from dirt to living soil**

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World Soil Day Association of  
Thailand*

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# AGENDA

## Background

The current climate change crisis, water scarcity crisis and biodiversity loss crisis, force us to literally ‘start from the ground’, that is to ‘start from the soil’, to build our common future as Soil is where food begins, and healthy soil is a key pre-requisite of healthy food.

Collaboration and synergy of efforts among all stakeholders are the key to success in bringing soil to life.

This side event aims to showcasing the success stories of Thailand and countries in prioritizing and implementing policy actions on healthy soils through promotion of sustainable soil management practices. It will provide concrete examples of national engagement with farmers and society at large in conservation, preservation, protection, and restoration of soils to increase soil fertility and productivity, to contribute to food security and nutrition, through sustainable soil management practices that are context-specific, locally adapted and culturally suitable.

<p>17:15 - 17:30</p>	<p><b>Session 1. Introduction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introductory Remarks by Moderator, Dr. Ms. Prapa TARANET Land Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives of Thailand</li> <li>- <i>“Sustainable Soil Management in the Era of Global Boiling”</i>, VDO presentation by Thai Soil Partnership</li> <li>- Welcoming Remarks by H.E. Mr. Puttaporn EWTOKSAN, Ambassador, Royal Thai Embassy, Rome, Italy</li> <li>- <i>“Living soils for healthy and nutritious food”</i>, Opening Remarks by Ms. Maria Helena SEMEDO, Deputy Director-General, FAO</li> </ul>
<p>17:30 - 17:45</p>	<p><b>Session 2. The Journey to Success: a common endeavor</b></p> <p><i>“Strategic Approaches to Soil Management in Argentina”</i> by H.E. Mr. Carlos CHERNIAK, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Argentina to FAO</p> <p><i>“The role of Soils in the International Food Security Agenda”</i> by H.E. Ms.Nosipho JEZILE, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of South Africa to FAO and Chair of the World Committee on Food Security (CFS)</p> <p><i>“The Journey of the Global Soil Partnership”</i> by Mr. Lifeng LI, Director, Land and Water Division, FAO</p>





<p>17:45 - 18:05</p>	<p><b>Session 3. The Journey to Success: from Dirt to Living Soils</b></p> <p><i>“The three soil power rangers”</i>, VDO presentation</p> <p>The Journey of Thailand: <i>“Bringing soils to life”</i></p> <p>Speaker 1 Mr. Wiwat SALYAKAMHORN, President of World Soil Day Association of Thailand</p> <p>Speaker 2 Mr. Witthaya PANPUNYAKORAKUL, Head of ‘Baan Pakoiwa Agri-Nature Learning Center’, Thailand</p> <p>Speaker 3 Ms. On-uma LEELANOI, Head of ‘Namun Mang Ta Yai’ Agri-Nature Learning Center, Thailand</p>
<p>18:05 - 18:10</p>	<p><b>Closing remarks</b> by Moderator, Dr. Ms. Prapa TARANET, Land Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives of Thailand</p>
<p>18.15</p>	<p><b>Session 4. Opening of the exhibit   18:15</b> (FAO Atrium)</p> <p>Master of ceremonies: Mr. Lifeng LI, Director, Land and Water Division, FAO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remarks by Dr QU Dongyu, Director-General, FAO</li> <li>• Remarks by Ms Pathumwadee IMTOUR, Permanent Representative of Thailand to Rome Based Agencies, Minister (Agriculture)</li> </ul> <p>Performance - <i>“Ram-Wong”</i> - Thai Classical Dance</p> <p>Photo and Poster Exhibition to showcase the ‘Journey to Success’ of Sustainable Soil Management practices</p>
	<p><b>Session 5. Tasting of healthy, nutritious, and tasty food from Thailand</b></p>

