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European Soil Partnership Plenary Meeting

FAO Headquarters, Rome, Italy – German Room (C269)

28-29 March 2019

Chair: Elena Havlicek, FOEN Switzerland

Secretary: Marc Van Liedekerke, European Commission Joint Research Centre

Thursday 28 March 2019

09:30 – 09:45 Welcome and Opening (Sasha Koo-Oshima - Deputy Director, FAO, Land and Water Division and Elena Havlicek, ESP Chair)

Adoption of the Agenda

Tour de table

GSP updates (Ronald Vargas – GSP Secretary)

09:45 – 10:30 ESP Reports

09:45 – 10:00 European Soil Partnership (Elena Havlicek)

10:00 – 10:15 Eurasian Soil Partnership (Gulchekra Khasankhanova)

10:15 – 10:30 Alpine Soil Partnership (Borut Vrščaj)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break + Group Picture

11:00 – 12:15 Selected National Reports and Information from National Focal Points and Partners

11:00 – 11:15 National Soil Partnership – Slovakia (Zora Weberova)

11:15 – 11:30 National Soil Partnership – Italy (Anna Benedetti)

11:30 – 11:45 National Soil Partnership – Portugal (Elena Havlicek – *on behalf of Portugal*-)

11:45 – 12:15 Information from National Focal Points and Partners (all)

12:15 – 12:30 ITPS

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 14:45 Pillar 1

14:00 – 14:10 GSP (GSP Secretariat)

- Protocol to assess SSM and economic benefits of SSM
- Implementation of INBS in Europe and Eurasia
- Technical manual on SOC Management

14:10 – 14:25 ESP Work Progress (Suhad Saleh/Violette Geissen)

14:25 – 14:45 Discussion and decision making on the way forward

14:45 – 15:30 Pillar 2

- 14:45 - 14:55** GSP (*GSP-Secretariat*)
- SoilEx
 - EduSoil
 - Soil Doctors
 - International awards, global symposia and WSD
- 14:55 - 15:10** ESP work progress (*Arwyn Jones*)
- 15:10 - 15:30** Discussion and decision making on the way forward

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 16:45 Pillar 3

- 16:00 - 16:10** GSP (*GSP-Secretariat*)
- ReSOIL
 - National contributions to the assessment of the global status of soil pollution and regional trends
- 16:10 - 16:25** ESP work progress (*Suhad Saleh/Violette Geissen/Coen Ritsema/Gergely Toth*)
- 16:25 - 16:45** Discussion and decision making on the way forward

16:45 – 17:30 Pillar 4

- 16:45 - 16:55** GSP (*GSP-Secretariat*)
- GloSIS, SoilSTAT and Global Maps
- 16:55 - 17:10** ESP work progress (*Edoardo Costantini*)
- 17:10 - 17:30** Discussion and decision making on the way forward

17:30 – 18:15 Pillar 5

- 17:30 - 17:40** GSP (*GSP-Secretariat*)
- ReSOIL
 - proposal for indicator report
 - Proposal for fund raising
 - Proposal for SoilML consultant
 - Proposal for merging P4 and P5
 - GLOSOLAN
- 17:40 - 17:55** ESP work progress (*Hakki Erdogan*)
- 17:55 - 18:15** Discussion and decision making on the way forward

Friday 29 March 2019

09:00 - 10:30 European projects and activities (with ESP contribution)

09:00 - 09:30 EEA EIONET NRC Soil (*Rainer Baritz*)

09:30 - 09:50 DG ENV (*Josiane Masson*)

09:50 - 10:10 ESP at EUROSIL2020 (*Elena Havlicek, on behalf of Pascal Boivin*)

10:10 - 10:30 LANDSUPPORT Project (*Fabio Terribile*)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 - 12:00 Priorities for soil protection in Europe

11:00 - 11:20 Agenda 2030 and Land Degradation Neutrality indicators (*Kirstin Marx*)

11:20 - 11:40 Soil organic carbon: thresholds and soil structure quality (*Elena Havlicek*)

11:40 - 12:00 Rural Network for improvement and dissemination of soil conservation systems among local communities of farmers in France (*Gérard Rass*)

12:00 - 13:00 The way forward and conclusions

- Discussion on the next steps of the ESP (*all*)
- Planning (*all*)
- Conclusions & closure of the ESP Meeting (*Elena Havlicek*)

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 - 17:30 Workshop Soils4EU (Coffee break 16:00)