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Anne Muriuki African Soil Partnership

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New governance

- Chair: Ms Anne Muriuki (Kenya)
- Vice-Chair for the English-speaking countries: Mr Ramagkwale Klaas Mampholo (South Africa)
- Vice-Chair for the French-speaking countries: Mamoudou Traore (Burkina Faso)
- Vice-Chair for the Portuguese-speaking countries: Antonia Dos Santos Neto (Sao Tome and Principe)

- A Secretariat has been established to implement the regional work plan under the action areas of the new GSP framework

Aim: overcome language barrier and improve communication between the countries

Connection with other initiatives

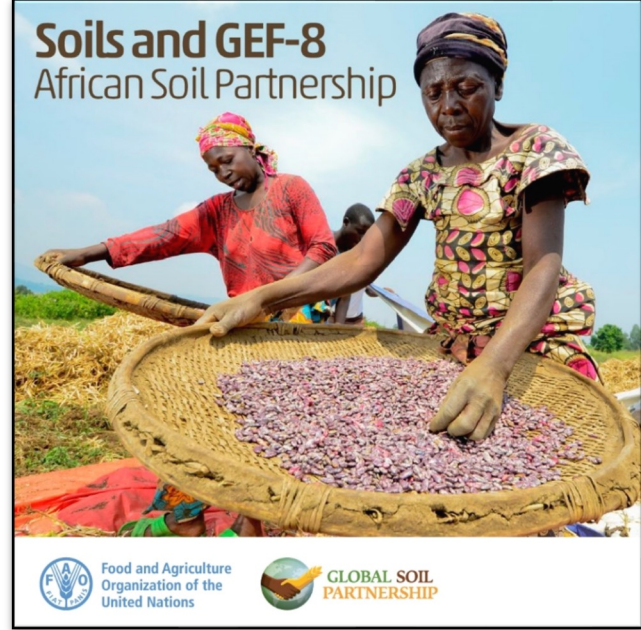
- Africa Fertilizer and Soil Health Summit (AFSH)
→ Soil Initiative for Africa (SIA)
- Model Law on sustainable soil management in Africa



Development of policy briefs

- African soils: resources and diversity
- Soil erosion
- Soil nutrient depletion
- How to work with farming communities to tackle soil management issues at landscape/watershed level
- Gender and soil management in Africa





Capacity building

- Implemented:
 - Workshop on financial resource mobilization – July 2022
 - Webinar on GEF-8 and soils – April 2023
 - Webinar on sustainable soil and fertilizer management in Africa, with a case study from Uganda
- Others to be organized (proposals collected at the 7th AfSP meeting):
 - Sustainable soil management in the African agricultural production
 - Women and youth empowerment using kitchen gardening in urban and peri-urban areas
 - Role of youth in soil management in Africa
 - Gender inclusion in promoting sustainable soil management practices
 - Soil Initiative for Africa (SIA) and Africa Fertilizer and Soil Health (AFSH) action plans
 - Contribution of perennial agroforestry systems on soil health maintenance
 - How to work with farming communities to tackle soil management issues at landscape/watershed level

Awareness raising and advocacy on soil health

World Soil Day celebrations held in the whole region



Kenya



Ghana



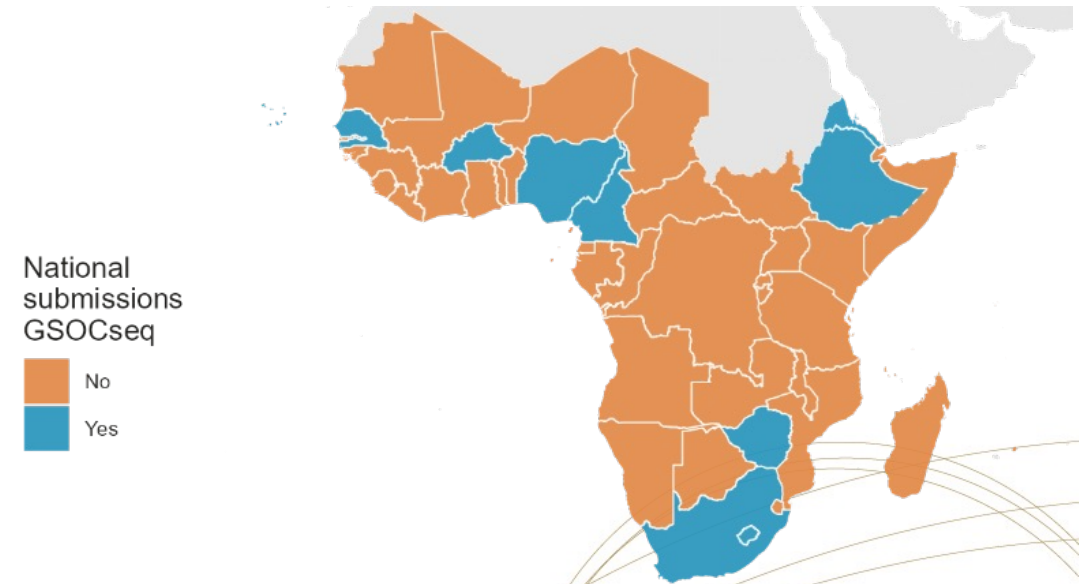
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Participation to GSP Technical Networks

- Some countries are not or under-represented
- Laboratories:
 - In-person training in Dakar (Oct. 2023)
 - Regional PT



It is important that country experts and institution join peers from other countries



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