

This is a Draft Program. Speakers listed are confirmed titles are subject to change.

Program Outline	
Global Soil Security Symposium	
Tuesday 19 May 2015	
<b>Global Challenges and Soil Security</b>	
Moderator – Alex McBratney, University of Sydney	
8:00 am	Introductions
8:10 am	Welcome and Comments – <b>Mark Hussey</b> , Dean and Vice Chancellor, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Texas A&M University; <b>Craig Nessler</b> , Director Texas A&M AgriLife Research
8:30 am	<b>Aspects of Soil Security – Alex McBratney and Damien Field University of Sydney</b>
8:50 am	<b>Human Health and Soils – Florence Carré, Industrial Safety and Environmental Protection INERIS, Scientific Division</b>
9:20 am	<b>Securing Soil, Food, and Energy Production in Agroecosystems – Elsa Murano and Julie Borlaug, Borlaug Institute</b>
	<i>Break</i>
10:10 am	<b>Energy and Soil Security Bruce McCarl, Regents Professor and Distinguished Professor of Agricultural Economics, Nobel Laureate, Texas A&amp;M University</b>
10:40	<b>How Soil Security is important to Biodiversity -Helaina Black, The James Hutton Institute</b>
11:20	<b>Insights on Soil Security and Water Security – Rabi Mohtar, Texas A&amp;M University</b>
11:40	<b>Soil, Climate, and Policy - TBA</b>
12:00 pm	LUNCH – catered at venue
<b>Dimension 1: Capability</b>	
Moderator – TBA	
	<b>Soil Capacity – Johan Bouma, Prof. Emeritus Wageningen University</b>
	Volunteered Oral Presentations – 5 minutes each
	Discussion Lead by Moderator
5:30 pm	Reception
Wednesday 20 May 2015	
<b>Dimension 2: Condition</b>	
Moderator – Damien Field, University of Sydney	
8:30 am	<i>OECD Representative</i>
9:00 am	<b>Defining Soil Condition and Soil Health in Policy - Wayne Honeycutt, Deputy Chief of Science and Technology, USDA NRCS</b>
9:30 am	Volunteered Oral Presentations – 5 minutes each
10:00 am	Discussion Lead by Moderator
11:40 am	LUNCH – catered at venue
<b>Dimension 3: Capital</b>	
Moderator – Cristine Morgan, Texas A&M University	

1:30 pm	<b>The Dollars and Cents of Soil Health – <i>Chuck Benbrook, Center for Sustaining Agriculture and Natural Resources, Washington State University</i></b>
2:00 pm	<b>Concepts of Soil Ecosystem Services and Function- <i>Brent Clothier, Plant &amp; Food Research, New Zealand</i></b>
2:30 pm	<b>Linking changes in soil condition to the capability of soils to perform ecosystem services. <i>E. Dominati, AgResearch, New Zealand</i></b>
3:00	
3:15 pm	Volunteered Oral Presentations – 5 minutes each
5:00 pm	Discussion Lead by Moderator
5:30 pm	Dinner at the Memorial Student Center, Texas A&M University
Thursday 21 May 2015	
<b><i>Dimension 4: Connectivity</i></b>	
Moderator – Mike Grundy, <i>CSIRO</i>	
8:30 am	<b>Soil Renaissance and the Connection to Land Managers - <i>William Buckner, Noble Foundation, Noble Foundation</i></b>
9:00 am	<b>How to Enumerate Soil Capability Regarding Human Health: Examples and Ideas - <i>Jae Yang, Kangwon National University</i></b>
9:30 am	<b>Sociology of Connecting Soil to People - TBA</b>
10:00 am	Volunteered Oral Presentations – 5 minutes each
11:40 am	Discussion Lead by Moderator
	LUNCH
<b><i>Dimension 5: Codification</i></b>	
Moderator – Andrea Koch, <i>United States Study Centre</i>	
1:30 pm	<b>Soil and Water Policy – <i>Theib Oweis, Director, Integrated Water &amp; Land Management Program</i></b>
2:00 pm	<b>How Global issues and Soil Security Link with Policy - <i>Andrea Koch, United States Study Centre</i></b>
2:30 pm	<b>Soil, Climate, and Policy - <i>Mike Grundy, Research Director at CSIRO, Theme Leader, Landscape Systems and Trends</i></b>
3:00 pm	Volunteered Oral Presentations – 5 minutes each
4:00 pm	Discussion Lead by Moderator
	Wrap Up Session
	Conference organizers and volunteers meet to develop the 2-3 page policy document and lessons learned documents