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of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture

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International Year of Soils 2015
Achievements and Future Challenges**

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Draft Programme

- 08:00 – 08:45 Security check and Registration
- 09:00 **Welcome addresses**
Yukiya Amano, IAEA Director General (tbc)
Jose Graziano da Silva, FAO Director General (tbc)
Andrä Rupprechter, Austrian Minister of Agriculture and Environment (tbc)
- 09:20 **Opening addresses**
Prof. Rainer Horn, IUSS President
- 09:30 **Honorary address**
Member of the Royal Family of Thailand (tbd)
- 09:45 **Country impact statements** – nuclear techniques in food and agriculture
Thailand (tbd)
Sudan (tbd)
Latin America (tbd)
xyz (tbd)
- 10:15 *Coffee (parallel to press conference)*
- 10:45 **International Year of Soils – achievement reports**
IUSS
Rainer Horn
Regional soil science societies
Carolyn Olson, SSSA
Ahmed Mermut, ECSSS (tbc)
Evgeny Shein, FESSS (tbc)
Takashi Kosaki, ESAFS
Representative of SLCS (tbd)
Representative of ASSSI (tbd)
- 12:10 **Future challenges**
Representative of FAO
Representative of the European Commission
- 12:30 *Lunch (canteen of Vienna International Centre)*
- 13:30 **Workshop on future challenges in Soil Science**
Introduction
Distribution in parallel working groups (related to IUSS Divisions 1 – 4 and international cooperation)
Working group deliberations and draft recommendations
- 15:30 *Coffee*
- 16:00 **Workshop on future challenges in Soil Science (contd.)**
Presentation of working group recommendations
Discussion
- 17:00 **Closing Statement**
(tbd)