



## TERMS OF REFERENCE OF INSAS

Any partner of the FAO Global Soil Partnership\* can become a member of INSAS. National institutions, academia, NGOs, civil society, farmer associations, and other stakeholders interested to participate in the joint action to achieve the sustainable and productive management of salt-affected soils are welcome to join this network.

To join the network, the registration form available on the website of INSAS must be filled in (<http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/insas>).

The governance over the activity of INSAS is performed by its Chair, Vice-Chair and representatives of ITPS.

The **Chairperson** is responsible for:

- i. Supporting and ensuring the timely implementation of the INSAS work plan;
- ii. Reporting on INSAS activities at the annual INSAS meeting;
- iii. Representing INSAS at any other GSP meetings or international events;
- iv. Reporting (jointly with the GSP Secretariat and ITPS Chair) to the GSP Plenary Assembly about the INSAS progress;
- v. Supporting the INSAS Coordinator in capacity-building and financial-resources mobilization activities;
- vi. Ensuring that the activities of the working groups are implemented according to the principles of INSAS, including transparency, inclusivity, and respect; and
- vii. Coordinating cooperation with projects and initiatives that contribute to the aims of the INSAS, including research, service, and capacity development.

The term for the Chairperson is two years after election, extendable via INSAS decision to a second term. The appointment of the Chair of the INSAS takes place during the annual meeting of INSAS.

The Chair is, whenever possible, supported by a **vice-Chair** in all its activities and tasks.

At least one member of the Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soils (ITPS) should be part of the INSAS. The duties of the representatives of ITPS to INSAS are:

- i. Supporting the development and implementation of the INSAS work plan;
- ii. Representing ITPS at the annual INSAS meetings;
- iii. Reporting to ITPS about the INSAS activity.

The documents produced by INSAS that may have political implications or need a consensus between countries shall go through the procedure of approval by ITPS before publication.

The INSAS governance (Chair, Vice-Chair, ITPS representatives) should ensure to the best of their ability that the INSAS as a whole and its working groups have an appropriate geographical balance and representation of members.

All INSAS members receive regular updates on the work of the network.

**\*To become a partner of the Global Soil Partnership, please register through the form at:**  
<http://www.fao.org/global-soil-partnership/partners/en/>