The Intergovernmental Technical Panel on Soils will meet for its 5th Working session from 14-18 March 2016 in Rome. The key points that will be under discussion during this intense working week include:

- Review and finalization of the “Voluntary Guidelines for Sustainable Soil Management”
- Follow up of the “Status of the World’s Soil Resources” report
- Follow up on the GSP Plans of Action and the Regional Implementation Plans
- Report on the collaboration between ITPS and the SPI of UNCCD, IPBES and IPCC
- Review of the work plan for ITPS 2015-2017
- Support to the SDG process through soil indicators
- Preparation of an ITPS publication for 2016
- Report to the Fourth GSP Plenary Assembly

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