

20-23. October 2025, Fruške Terme, Vrdnik, Serbia

# The Soil Re-Union Science for Healthy Soils





4th International and 16th National Congress of the Serbian Society of Soil Science

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Our community is growing – join us! The Soil Re-Union fosters connections among participants across diverse regions and research disciplines. Join us in our shared mission for healthy soils—a united response to the planet's triple crisis: climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution.



**Congress Organizer:** The Serbian Society of Soil Science, with a tradition spanning over 70 years

**Co-organization:** Institute of Field and Vegetable Crops, a National Institute of the Republic of Serbia

Dates: 20-23. October 2025.

Location: Vrdnik, Fruške Terme, Serbia



The Congress provides a great opportunity for discussions and presentations on the latest advancements in soil science. Collaborate with leading scientists, spark innovative research initiatives ( $\pi$  to  $\pi$  - project-to-project blind date networking for potential projects), and forge connections that transcend borders. Key speakers will include prominent international scientists, representatives of leading companies, international organizations, and experts in sustainable development, aiming to connect science, politics, economy, and society in the emerging generation of regeneration.

Our dynamic, forward-thinking program features trending topics, interactive panels, e-posters, and countless opportunities to exchange ideas and build collaborative projects. Taking an interdisciplinary approach to key soil science challenges, the Congress also offers a vibrant social program designed to inspire and connect.

Let's advance soil science together!

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# **GENERAL TOPICS**

- 1. Soil Genesis, Classification and Heritage
- 2. Soil Physics, Mineralogy and Chemistry (Analytics and Fundamental Research)
- 3. Soil Biology and Ecology (Soil Biodiversity, Soil Ecosystem Services)
- 4. Soil Fertility and Plant Nutrition (Organic Matter, Nutrients Cycle, Plant Nutrient Status)
- 5. Soil Water Management (Drainage, Irrigation and Water Quality)
- 6. Application of Information Technologies and Artificial Intelligence in Soil Science
- 7. Soil Tillage, Mechanization and Sustainable Agrotechnics
- 8. Soil and Climate Action (Carbon Sequestration, Regenerative Agriculture, Forest Soils, OIE)
- 9. Soil Contamination, Urban Soils, Soil Recultivation and Remediation
- 10. Soil Science in Education, Social Sciences and Media
- 11. Development and Implementation of Soil Policies and Strategies (at National, Regional, and International Levels)
- 12. Marginal Soils, Rural Development and Farmers' Cooperative
- 13. Soil Health in ESG: A Pathway to Responsible Business

# **DRAFT PROGRAM**

Session	<b>Monday</b> 20.10.25.	Tuesday, Wednesday 21-22.10.25.	<b>Thursday</b> 23.10.25.
Morning	Arrival and accommodation Registration	Official opening ceremony, Keynote presentations, Parallel sessions and oral presentations; Three-minute presentations of electronic poster sessions LUNCH	Expert and Tourist Excursion: Observation of pedological profiles within the Educational Trail of the National Park Explore multiple cultural and artistic landmarks Wine route experience Refreshments and late lunch during the excursion
Afternoon	Project presentations or Panel discussion in the main hall, followed by a tour of project stands in the Congress space	Social and recreational activities, you can take advantage of: project meetings, spa & wellness (relax in the thermal waters), forest walks, bike rides, excursion to Novi Sad, π to π – project-to-project blind date networking for potential projects, workshop on Innovative techniques in soil analysis and more	
Evening	Welcome cocktail and dinner, social gathering	Panel discussion Dinner and social gathering (Tuesday), Gala dinner (Wednesday)	

#### **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

The Book of Abstracts of peer-reviewed contributions will be published, assigned a library number, and indexed.

Participants who are interested in publishing a full paper will have the opportunity to submit their manuscripts for publication in the peer-reviewed journal <u>Soil and Plant</u> of the Serbian Soil Science Society after the Congress.

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# **IMPORTANT DATES**

Early registration payment deadline: by June 1st, 2025

Early registration payment deadline extended: by June 25th, 2025

Mid registration payment deadline: by **August 15th, 2025** Abstract submission deadline: **September 1st, 2025** 

Final Congress program: by mid-September 2025

Congress dates: 20-23. October 2025

#### **VENUE & ACCOMMODATION**

The Congress will take place at a stunning venue in Vrdnik, located in the picturesque Fruška Gora mountain, at <u>Fruška Terme Thermal Riviera</u>, a wellness complex, providing a peaceful and natural environment ideal for networking and knowledge exchange. For those visiting Serbia for the first time, as well as for others who are interested, an excursion to the city of Novi Sad will be organized.

The Congress Center, located in a dedicated wing of the hotel, features over 10 fully equipped rooms with state-of-the-art audiovisual technology and offers breathtaking views of the National Park. The main conference hall accommodates up to 500 people, and, together with the other rooms, offers the flexibility to host both large-scale events and intimate group discussions, creating an inspiring atmosphere for productive collaboration.

Attendees can also enjoy the healing thermal waters at Fruška Terme Thermal Riviera, a wellness complex that includes an infinity pool with panoramic views of Banja Vrdnik, along with a variety of other water and wellness facilities. The center features 12 swimming pools, including Olympic-sized indoor and outdoor pools, a sauna, and sports fields, offering a perfect balance of relaxation and productivity.

# **REGISTRATION & ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

Please find detailed information and registration along with abstract submission: <a href="https://www.sdpz.rs/congress">www.sdpz.rs/congress</a>

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