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SOIL SCIENCE IN A CHANGING WORLD



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## The participants of the Wageningen Soil Conference 2015 - *Soil Science in a Changing World*

### **Agree *that*:**

- Soils play a key role in confronting challenges related to food security, water resources, climate change and biodiversity.
- Increasing soil organic carbon will generally enhance soil life and promote soil functioning with respect to the challenges listed above.
- A professional communication strategy is needed to ensure that society benefits from soil-based solutions.

### **And therefore agree *to*:**

- Urgently identify actions for soil-based solutions towards achieving United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.
- Initiate and strongly support programs that aim at a lasting increase in soil organic carbon.
- Develop convincing narratives on soil-based solutions, and communicate these with stakeholders and policy makers.