

FINAL PROGRAMME

**50th anniversary of the International Training Programme
in Soil Science**

***“50 years of sharing knowledge in soil science
for worldwide sustainable development”***

5 December 2013, Het Pand, Gent

8.30– 9.15 am: Registration and hanging up posters

9.15 am

Welcome by Prof. Dr. Eric Van Ranst

(M.Sc. ITC–Ghent 1979, Ph.D. ITC–Ghent 1981) – Director ITC–Ghent

9.20 am

The Rector of Ghent University

Prof. Dr. Anne De Paepe

9.25 am

Ms. Kristien Verbruggen

Director VLIR–UOS

9.30–10.00 am

Em. Prof. Dr. Georges Stoops

Honorary Director ITC–Ghent

“Fifty years International Training Centre for Post–graduate Soil Scientists (ITC–Ghent). More than teaching lectures only.”

10.00–11.00 am: Coffee break and poster session

11.00–11.30 am

Prof. Dr. Mitiku Haile

(M.Sc. ITC–Ghent 1985, Ph.D. ITC–Ghent 1987) – Mekelle University

Ambassador from Ethiopia to UNESCO, Paris, France

“Capacity building in land resources management, teaching and research in Ethiopia.”

11.30 –12.00 am

Prof. Dr. Liming Ye

(M.Sc. ITC–Ghent 1999, Ph.D. ITC–Ghent 2008) – CAAS (Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences)

“The Role of Quantitative Land Evaluation in Food Security Decision Making in China: The Past, Present and Future.”

12.00 am–1.30 pm: Lunch and poster session

1.30 pm – 2.00 pm

Hon. Prof. Dr. Roger Langohr

(M.Sc. ITC–Ghent 1965, Ph.D. ITC–Ghent 1975) – Ghent University
"ITC–Ghent and 50 years of feedback with international soil classifications."

2.00 pm – 2.30 pm

Dr. Felipe Zapata

(M.Sc. ITC–Ghent 1975, Ph.D. ITC–Ghent 1984) – Former staff member of FAO/IAEA
"Soil science within the context of the Joint FAO/IAEA Programme of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture."

2.30 pm – 3.00 pm

Prof. Dr. Goh Tee Boon

(M.Sc. ITC–Ghent 1978) – University of Manitoba, Canada
"To secure the wellbeing of soils is to secure the wellbeing of people: The role of ITC–trained soil scientists in the developing countries."

3.00 pm–4.00 pm: Coffee break and poster session

4.00 pm–4.30 pm

Dr. Abbas Farshad

(M.Sc. ITC–Ghent 1975, Ph.D. ITC–Ghent 1997) – ITC–Enschede, the Netherlands
"Soils speak out."

4.30 pm–5.00 pm

Em. Prof. Dr. Oswald Van Cleemput

Ghent University
"Agricultural Sciences: Where do we go?"

5.00 pm–5.30 pm

**Information on the Belgian Soil Science Society and
closing remarks**

5.30 pm–8.00 pm: Reception

Registration is possible through the following link:

<https://webapps.ugent.be/eventManager/events/anniversary>

(deadline for registration is 5 November 2013)