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## **Special assembly – New ECSSS statutes**

Rio de Janeiro on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Present:** Pascal Boivin – President of the ECSSS  
Andreas Baumgarten – Austria  
Karen Vancampenhout – Belgium  
Bořivoj Šarapatka – Czech Republic  
Endla Reintam – Estonia  
Soinne Helena – Finland  
Dominique Arrouays – France  
Georg Guggenberger – Germany  
Tóth Tibor – Hungaria  
Guiseppe Lo Papa – Italy  
Rimantas Vaisvalavičius – Lithuania  
Cammeraat Erik – Netherlands  
Bal Ram Singh – Norway  
Cezary Kabała – Poland  
Maria Manuela Silva Nunes Reis Abreu – Portugal  
Jaroslava Sobocka – Slovakia  
Borut Vrscaj – Slovenia  
Jorge Mataix-Solera – Spain  
Reto Meuli – Switzerland  
Hakki Emrahi Erdogan – Turkey  
Wilfred Otten – United Kingdom

**Invitees:** Winfried Blum – First ECSSS President  
Elena Havlcek – President of the European Soil Partnership Chair

**Excused:** Sergey Gor – Russia  
Sophie Campiche – Vice-President of the ECSSS  
Sylvain Morin – Secretary of the ECSSS



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### **Welcome & Quorum**

Pascal Boivin welcomes and thanks everyone for their presence for this special assembly during the World Congress of Soil Science in Rio.

The quorum is reached as 22 members are present out of 30 members.

### **New statutes**

The revised statutes, as submitted in their final version on July 9<sup>th</sup> 2018, are approved by all members present at the special assembly, as well as by Bulgaria who sent an electronical approval before the session.

The new statutes reinforce the decision taken in Istanbul in October 2016 to present the Eurosoil congress in Geneva in 2020 and to create a permanency of the ECSSS in Switzerland. Mr. Pascal Boivin is then confirmed as the President of the ECSSS up to the year 2022 and Mrs. Sophie Campiche, as the President of the Soil Science Society of Switzerland hosting the congress, is confirmed as the Vice-President of the ECSSS up to Eurosoil in 2020.

### **Eurosoil program**

Opened discussion on the draft program of Eurosoil.

An updated version of the program should be sent to the members at the end of 2018 or early 2019.

### **Varia & Next assembly**

No additional points are added to the discussion.

The next ordinary session of the Council will be during Eurosoil in Geneva in 2020.

All points scheduled for the special assembly have been covered and the President ends the meeting.



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