



## **Canadian Institute of Forestry Congratulates Canadian Society of Soil Science on Successful World Congress of Soil Science Bid**

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**Mattawa, ON – September 29, 2022** – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) congratulates the Canadian Society of Soil Science (CSSS) on their successful bid to host the 2030 World Congress of Soil Science (WCSS) in Toronto, Ontario.

“As the voice of Canada’s forest practitioners, the CIF-IFC commends the CSSS for their hard work in bringing the WCSS to Canada,” expresses CIF-IFC Executive Director, Mark Pearson. “The Institute continues to offer its support and would welcome the opportunity to be involved in the WCSS.”

The CIF-IFC recognizes the critical and complex role of soils and forests. Soils are the foundation for trees, regulating water and nutrient availability and as vegetation decomposes, contributing to the creation of new soil – an essential component of forest ecosystems.

The conference theme proposed by the CSSS “Soils in a Warmer World”, highlights the impacts of a changing climate on managed and natural ecosystems – a major issue facing Canada and countries with similar climates.

“Hosting the 2030 World Congress of Soil Science in Canada, with the theme of ‘Soils in a Warmer World’, provides the opportunity for all stakeholders to join forces to better understand and address the impact that climate change will have on the soils that underpin our diverse ecosystems,” expresses CSSS Bid Committee Chair, Dr. Richard Heck.

Formed in 1908, the CIF-IFC is the national voice of forest practitioners and many others with an interest in forestry and forests. The Institute strives to provide national leadership, promote competence, and foster public awareness of Canadian and international forestry/forest issues.

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