



The <u>British Society of Soil Science</u> (BSSS) was founded in 1947 and is an established international membership organisation and charity committed to the study of soil in its widest aspects. The Society brings together those working within academia, practitioners implementing soil science in industry and all those working with, or with an interest in soils.

Research on soils and enhanced understanding and engagement with soils is essential for agricultural, landscaping, construction, remediation, conservation and archaeological projects, as well as policy direction on critical topics such as climate change.

We promote research and education, both academically and in practice, and build collaborative partnerships to help safeguard our soil for the future. This includes hosting our Annual Conference in Cardiff, where those with an interest in soil science can meet to discuss the critical issues relating to soil.

The British Society of Soil Science Annual Conference 2024 will take place from in Cardiff, with a theme of . The packed multi-disciplinary event spanning the built, natural environment and agricultural sectors, set at the Glamorgan Cricket Club in Cardiff, will provide delegates with a fantastic opportunity to see the latest research and developments within soil science.

including the UK EFRA Committee, is calling for soil health to be put on the same footing as water and air. The BSSS Annual Conference will coincide with World Soil Day (5 December) which highlights the importance of healthy soil and advocates for the sustainable management of soil resources. We understand how vital soil is to sustaining life on Earth, producing our food and sustaining rich ecosystems. With schemes such as the Sustainable Farming Incentive, there is an ever increasing development of policy and commitment to put this into practice to help with the long-term productivity and resilience of the soil, particularly to benefit food production. The BSSS Conference will also endeavour to explore further benefits, such as mitigating flooding, adapting to climate change and increasing biodiversity.

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