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## EUROSOIL organisers refuse to 'give up' on Istanbul

Conference re-schedules for October after terror attacks scupper July meeting

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Pictured: professor Ahmet Mermut, president of the European Confederation of Soil Science Societies (ECSSS) which organises EUROSOIL

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Organisers behind a conference that was due to take place in Istanbul in July have agreed to "not give up" on the Turkish city, announcing a new date in October.

EUROSOIL 2016 has been rescheduled to 16-21 October, after it postponed at the last minute following the terror attack on Ataturk Airport on June 28th. It comes after the International Association of Convention Centres (AIPC) voted to hold its annual 2018 conference in Turkey in a show of support.

President of the European Confederation of Soil Science Societies (ECSSS) professor Ahmet Memut said: "Due to the tragic terrorist attack in Istanbul, at a time very close to the date of our Congress, we have decided not to give it up but to postpone the date.

"Terrorism, unfortunately, does not recognize borders and strike us almost every corner of our world."  
Istanbul City Municipality will contribute to the October congress by providing free shuttle services for delegates, expected to be as many as 1,000. The conference will remain at the same venue, WOW Convention Center & Hotel, using the venue's 8,500 sqm of event space.



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