

'Objects of the Society 1) the advancement of soil science and studies therein with particular reference to Australia and 2) to provide a link between soil scientists and kindred bodies within Australia and between them and other similar organisations in other countries' 1957

| | 1955 - 1959 | 1960 - 1969 | 1970 - 1979 | 1980 - 1989 | 1990 - 1999 | 2000 - 2008 | 2010 - 2013 | | | | |
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| Milestones | "that the Australian Society of Soil Science be inaugurated as from this meeting" (1955) | First meeting held with ACT, NSW, Qld, SA and Vic branches (1956) WA branch formed (1957) | Constitution adopted by members (1960) Riverina branch formed (1962) | Membership restricted to persons engaged in the scientific study of the soil | Society became incorporated; Australian Society of Soil Science Inc. (1974) | Logo selected for the 1984 conference Logo adopted for Society (1986) | Accreditation program introduced (1996) Web site created (1996) First executive officer appointed (1996) | Membership open to people interested in soil science (2005) Tasmanian branch formed (2008) Logo updated (2006) Business name Soil Science Australia adopted (2011) Patron: Her Excellency Ms Penelope Wensley AC Governor of Qld | | | |
| Newsletters | Soil News published twice yearly (1957 onwards) | | | Publications Series established as the medium for occasional technical papers, reviews and reports but not research papers (1968) | | | | | | | |
| Awards initiated and Honorary Life Memberships awarded | 25 honorary life memberships created in 1960 | 4 Society members recognised by ISSS as Honorary Members | Student award initiated (1969) | JA Prescott Medal of Soil Science (1972) Australian Society of Soil Science Publication Medal (1979) | JK Taylor OBE Gold Medal in Soil Science (1984) | CG Stephens PhD Award in Soil Science (2003) | LJH Teakle Award (2010) | | | | |
| Congresses | Delegates | 9th International Congress of Soil Science hosted in Adelaide (1968); 310 papers printed, 239 papers presented | 720 delegates | National conference held in Australia every two years | Joint conferences held with New Zealand Society of Soil Science every four years | Support for the 13th International Soil Conservation Congress in Brisbane (2004) delegates | 19th World Congress of Soil Science hosted in Brisbane (2010); 343 presentations, 1227 research posters, 8 key note & 65 invited lead speakers from 68 countries 1914 delegates | | | | |
| Conferences | 1980 Sydney NSW | 1984 Brisbane Qld | 1988 Canberra ACT | 1992 Adelaide SA | 1996 Melbourne Vic | 2000 Christchurch NZ | 2002 Perth WA | 2004 Sydney NSW | 2006 Adelaide SA | 2012 Hobart Tas | 2014 Melbourne Vic |
| Membership and Initiatives | 15 Present at the first meeting | 147 Members (1957) | 220 Members (1960) | 453 Members (1969) | 548 Members (1984) | Overseas Aid Projects Cambodia (2008-2009) Timor Leste (2010-2011) | 875 Members (2012) | | | | |
| Soil Art | Images from the Australian Soils calendars produced since 2010 | | | | | | | | | | |

