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**Nomination of Prof. Dr. Laura Bertha Reyes Sánchez  
for President of IUSS**

Distinguished Chair of the IUSS Presidential Election Committee, Prof. Swift :

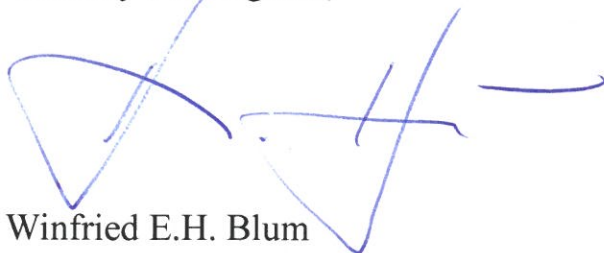
I herewith nominate Prof. Dra. Laura Bertha Reyes Sánchez for President of IUSS.

She would be the first woman as President of ISSS/IUSS since its existence in 1924. - After Prof. Aguilar Santelises (1990-1994) she would be the second president from Latin America.

Since 2005 she represents the Latin American Soil Science Society (SLCS) as Secretary General with great success and serves most successfully in many other national and international soil related institutions and organizations.

Moreover, I should like to add, that her nomination would also be a recognition of all female members of IUSS and national soil science societies worldwide, who contribute with great success to soil sciences in general and specifically to the functioning of IUSS divisions, commissions and working groups.

With my best regards,



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Past Secretary General of ISSS/IUSS (1990-2002),  
Honorary Member of IUSS