

ClimaViet Inception workshop



ClimaViet project ("Climate change and impacts on rice Production in Vietnam:Pilot testing of potential adaptation and mitigation measures") was started off successfully at the Vietnam Academy of Agricultural Sciences (VAAS) campus in Hanoi on the 28th of August, 2013.

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The project was inaugurated by Dr. Le Quoc Doanh, the Deputy Minister, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD), Vietnam. On this occasion the Deputy Minister recalled the Ministers of Agriculture of Norway and Vietnam meeting in Nov 2011 and Expression of interest for cooperation between Norway and Vietnam in the areas of Climate Smart Agriculture at the meeting.

The proposed three year multidisciplinary project will develop potential mitigation and adaptation measures that will contribute to the ongoing REDD+ initiatives in Vietnam. The project is funded by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, through the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Hanoi. Mr. Ståle Torstein Riise, the Ambassador of Norway, expressed his appreciation and congratulated Bioforsk and VAAS for the efforts made so far and the successful workshop.



Agriculture is a very important area in Vietnam. A changing climate poses new challenges. Photo: Ragnar Våga Pedersen.

At the workshop, regional representatives of FAO, ACIAR, Australia, Min of Science and Technology and other scientific institutes were present. Linkages will be established with MARD and the governments in Nam Din (Red River delta) , Soc Trang and Tra Vinh provinces (Mekong River Delta) for effective dissemination and implementation in these three provinces where the project will be implemented.

Bioforsk presented a brief overview of the project, the objectives, outputs and outcomes expected from the project during the three year period.



Ståle Torstein Risse, Ambassador, Dr. Le Quoc Doanh Deputy Minister, MARD and Dr. Nguyen Van Bo, Director General, VAAS.