

AGROECOLOGY POLICY

& NATIONAL ACTION PLAN OF

FOOD SYSTEMS TRANSFORMATION IN VIETNAM

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Agriculture: a cornerstone of Vietnam economy





Contribution to GDP

- Vietnam fasted GDP growth in ASEAN since 2017 (3.83%)
- Agriculture is an important pillar of GDP (12%)

Agricultural statistics

- 9 mn. agricultural holdings
- **14 mn.** people working in agriculture (27.5%)
- 80% of farmers are smallholders
- **50%** of farmers are >40 years
- Production 27-28 million ton of rice/year (equivalent of African continent production)

Exports

- 200% increase in exports in the last 10 years
- World leader in exports of rice, coffee, rubber etc.
- Export turnover (2024):
 62.5 billion USD

Impact of intensive agriculture on ecosystem and enviroment in Vietnam



- Low level of ecosystem health, soil health, water resource security...
- Low level of integration at landscape level
- Challenges of Nutrition and Safe food

Strategy for sustainable Agr. and RD for the 2021-2030, vision 2050 (2021)

- Sustainable agricultural development: economic, social, environmental
- Shift in mindset: from "agricultural production" to "agriculture-based economy"
- Promote the development of agriculture and rural economy associated with new rural development based on AGROECOLOGY of high efficiency, modern rural areas and civilized farmers
- Develop agroecology, organic agriculture, circular agriculture, low carbon emissions agriculture, environmentally friendly, and adaptive to climate change



Policies supporting agroecological transition

- Decree on Organic agriculture (2018), VietGAP...
- National project on Bio-insecticide (2023)
- National project on IPHM (2023)
- National project on Soil Health and Plant nutrition (2024)
- National project on One million ha of high quality and low carbon rice in Mekong delta (2024)
- Policies promoting Circularity in Agriculture
- Policies promoting Agroecology tourism





IMPLEMENTATION ORGANIZATION



Agroecology

Healthy diets

Challenges for Agroecology policies implementation

- Lack of capacity at local level for a multisectoral coordination and integrating various programs and outcomes
- Gap of knowledge and innovation
- Lack of financial resources
- Insufficient communication in the society
- Need of capability training and sharing knowledge/information with international supports

Functions of Partnership



5 Technical Working Group members

Decision 300 directs: ministries, branches, provincial People's Committees, Vietnam Fatherland Front, Vietnam Farmers' Union and socio-political organizations, associations, industry associations, and professional associations to "Actively coordinate with MAE to develop and organize the implementation of tasks in the Action Plan according to their functions, tasks and responsible areas.

Governance (MAE)

- Representative of MAE as Chairman of the Working Group, and representatives of MOH, MOIT as core members, as well as representatives of other line ministries depending on their interest and commitment;
- Representatives of the provincial People's Committees;
- International development partners, United Nations organizations, non-governmental organizations;
- Enterprises, farmers' union, socio-political organizations, unions, associations;
- Research institutes, universities, experts, media.

Agroecology (MAE)

Coordinating and co-chairing:

ICD/MAE; French team in Vietnam, FAO Vietnam...

Participating:

Department of Crop Production; Department of Livestock; AgroTrade; PSAV, VAAS, CIAT, MALICA research group, ALiSEA, Association of Organic Agriculture, Cooperative Alliance, Enterprises, Farmers' Association, Women's Association,

Food Loss and Waste (MAE)

Coordinating and co-chairing:

ICD (MAE), Import-Export Department, Domestic Market Department (MOIT); Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Climate Change (MAE); FAO Vietnam

Participating:

PSAV, VAAS, Institute of Agricultural Environment, VIAEP; UNIDO, UNDP, WHO, Bioversity & CIAT Alliance, Organic Agriculture Association, Cooperative Alliance

Nutrition and Local Food Diversification (MOH)

Coordinating and co-chairing: ICD (MAE), MOH, UNDP **Participating:**

Department of Crop Production; Department of Livestock Production; NAFIQAD; Department of Environmental Pollution Control, National Coordination Office for NRD, PSAV,

Organizations the SUN, UNDP, FAO, WHO, UNICEF CIAT, IRD, MALICA; NIN, Institute of Agricultural Environment,

Farmers Association, Women's Union, Organic Agriculture Association, Cooperative Alliance,

Distribution and Responsible Consumption (MOIT)

Coordinating and co-chairing: Domestic Market Department (MOIT) NIN (MOH), ICD (MAE) Participating: MAE, Bioversity & CIAT Alliance, MALICA Industry Associations, Consumer Association Research institutes and universities

45 partners have signed the MOU with FST-Partnership





Thank You

