

Towards more profitable and sustainable vegetable-based farming systems in north-western Vietnam and Australia



Key details

Location

Vietnam

Duration

Start Nov 2012

End Sep 2013

Budget

AUD 156,231

Commissioned organisation

Department of Primary Industries, Australia

Partners

University of Queensland; Vietnam Women's Union; Vietnamese Academy of Agricultural Sciences

Project Leader

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Program

[Agribusiness](#)

Project code

AGB/2012/030

2. To characterise the key geographic, agronomic, socio-economic and market situation, issues, constraints and opportunities for vegetable-based farming systems in NW Vietnam
3. To evaluate soil management and crop nutrition challenges and opportunities and develop a research strategy for increasing the productivity and sustainability of these farming systems
4. To develop a complementary research program that addresses key NSW research priorities for leafy vegetables and provides research expertise and support to the Vietnamese component
5. To develop a proposal aimed at enhancing the profitability and sustainability of vegetable-based farming systems in NW Vietnam

Project outcomes

AGB/2012/030 has enabled a comprehensive scoping study to be undertaken to develop AGB/2012/059 Towards more profitable and sustainable vegetable farming systems.

The scoping study and recommendations have been incorporated into the design of AGB-2012-059. The bridging project AGB-2012-030 has provided the funds and resources to enable a full consultation process with Vietnamese project partners and enabled some

Overview

The aim of this SRA bridging project was to develop background information and a proposal for a multi-program Agribusiness (AGB) and Soil Management Crop Nutrition (SMCN) project that will enhance the profitability and sustainability of vegetable-based farming systems in NW Vietnam.

1. To undertake a preliminary market assessment of indigenous and conventional vegetables in Hanoi

scoping activities to be undertaken to improve the design of the phase 1 and phase 2 proposals. Similar initiatives should be considered by ACIAR to enable projects to develop sound and robust project documents.

