

Improving the sustainability of cocoa production in eastern Indonesia through integrated pest, disease and soil management in an effective extension and policy environment



Key details

Location

Indonesia

Duration

Start Apr 2011

End Jun 2016

Budget

AUD 2,016,193

Commissioned organisation

La Trobe University

Partners

Assessment Institute for Agricultural Technology ; Papua; Assessment Institute for Agricultural Technology; South Sulawesi; Biotechnology Research Institute for Estate Crops; Indonesian Coffee and Cocoa Research Institute; Mars Australia; Provincial Agricultural Services (Estates); PT Mars Symbioscience Indonesia; University of Hassanudin; University of Papua; University of Sydney

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Program

Horticulture

Project code

HORT/2010/011

on the livelihood of smallholder cocoa growers in Sulawesi and West Papua. The project developed previous research partnerships with a focus on productivity, pest and disease management, soil fertility, the development of extension models, and the impact on smallholders of policy settings, market-related frameworks and large-scale cocoa development activities.



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Overview

This project addressed two interacting issues: the decline in cocoa productivity on smallholdings and the effects of changes in the value chain and regulatory framework. As in two previous ACIAR projects, CP/2000/102 and SMAR/2005/074, the main focus was