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Regional Review and Planning Workshop 2017



**SUSTAINING AND ENHANCING THE MOMENTUM FOR INNOVATION AND
LEARNING AROUND THE SYSTEM OF RICE INTENSIFICATION (SRI)
IN THE LOWER MEKONG RIVER BASIN (SRI-LMB)**



Organized by the ACISAI, AIT

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(23-25 April 2017)

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**REGIONAL REVIEW AND PLANNING WORKSHOP, 23-25 APRIL 2017
HOTEL HILTON GARDEN INN, HANOI, VIETNAM**

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Time	Activity	Person-in-Charge
23 April, 2017: Field Visit to Bac Giang Province Departure: 6.45 am from Hotel Hilton Garden Inn, Hanoi Forenoon: Visit to farmer fields and interaction with farmers Afternoon: Lunch and interaction with government representatives (in a restaurant) Return: 5 pm		
Day 1 (Date: 24 April 2017)		
08.30-09.00	Registration	
Welcome and Plenary Session		
09.00-10.00	Welcome Address	Dr. Nguyen Quy Duong , Deputy Director General, Plant Protection Department (PPD), Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD), Vietnam
	Opening Remarks	1. Dr. Abha Mishra Director ACISAI, AIT; Team Leader, SRI-LMB, ACISAI, AIT, Thailand 2. Ms. Ana Maria, PENA SEGURA , Attaché Cooperation, Delegation of the European Union to Thailand
	Workshop schedule and expectation	Dr. Suresh Lokhande Research Specialist, ACISAI, AIT
	Keynote: Strategic Options for Food Security: System of Rice Intensification (SRI) and Farmers' Collective Action	Dr. C. M. Wijayaratna Independent Consultant, Agriculture Strategy Specialist, New Zealand
10.00-10.30	Group photo, Tea break & Media briefing	
Session: Sustainable Agriculture Intensification in Asia and Beyond		
Session Chair : Dr. Max Whitten Rapporteur : Mr. Ashwin Mysore Presentations		
10.30-10.50 (15 minutes, followed by 05 minutes Q&A)	Soil Health for Sustainable Agricultural Intensification: Some Perspectives	Dr. Amir Kassam Visiting Professor School of Agriculture, Policy and Development University of Reading, UK Moderator of the FAO-hosted Global Platform for Conservation Agriculture Community of Practice (CA-CoP)
10.50-11.20 (15 minutes, followed by 05 minutes Q&A)	Regional Rice Initiative: Updates, Results to Date & Future Planned Work	Mr. Johannes W. Ketelaar Chief Technical Advisor for FAO's Inter Country IPM/Pesticide Risk Reduction Programme, FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, Thailand

11.20-12.00 30 minutes followed by 10 minutes Q&A)	Key Learning from the SRI-LMB within the Context of Food Security, Water Management and Climate Change Adaptation	Dr. Abha Mishra & Dr. Suresh Lokhande
12.00-13.00	Lunch Break	
Session: Government Policy for Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture/Rice Development within the Context of Water Management and Climate Change Adaptation in the Mekong Region		
Session Chair : Mr. Johannes W. Ketelaar Rapporteur : Mr. Bishal Bhari		
Presentation (10 minutes each, followed by 5 minutes Q&A)		
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13.00-13.15	Cambodia	Dr. Mak Soeun Deputy Director-General, General Directorate of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries, Cambodia
13.15-13.30	Thailand	Ms. Ladda Viriyangura Senior Specialist on Rice Inspection and Certification Thailand Rice Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives (MoAC)
13.30-13.45	Vietnam	Dr. Nguyen Quy Duong Deputy General Director, PPD, MARD
13.45 - 14.00	Lao PDR	Dr. Tiene Vannasouk Deputy Director-General, DAEC, MAF
14.00-14.20	Tea Break	
Session: Micro and Macroeconomics Study and Policy Research in the Context of Small-scale Agriculture, Networking, and Market Development in the Mekong Region		
Session Chair : Dr. Amir Kassam Rapporteurs : Ms. Sopheavy Ty		
14.20 - 14.40	An Analysis of the Public and Private Policy Environment and Practices towards Smallholder Farmers and Small Scale Agriculture in the Context of Food Security and Climate Change in the Lower Mekong River Basin	Mrs. Kaneka Keo Policy and Communication Officer, SRI-LMB Oxfam, Cambodia
14.40-15.00	Macroeconomic Study of SRI & Implications of Small Scale Farmers' Investment in Four LMB Countries	Mr. Hemantha Parmarthy Consultant, Rapid Asia, Thailand
15.00 - 15.20	Economics of Rice Production Under Different Production Techniques	Ms. Sobia Asghar PhD Candidate AIT, Thailand

15.20-15.40	Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP)	Mr. Peter Sprang , SRP Technical Coordinator Secretariat, Sustainable Rice Platform c/o UN Environment Asia and the Pacific Office Bangkok, Thailand Coordinator position hosted by IRRI (International Rice Research Institute) Los Banos, Philippines
15.40-16.00	Better Rice Initiative Asia, Sustainable Rice Platform and Opportunity for SRI-LMB Farmers	Mr. Paul Nicholson Vice President Rice - Research and Risk Management Olam international Limited, Singapore
16.00-16.20	Make Markets Work for the Poor: A Case of Rice in Khammouane Province, Lao PDR	Mr. Nguyen Hung Cuong Director, RLED-EWEC Project Mekong Institute Thailand
16.20-16.40	Agro Tourism : An Opportunity to Attract Able Youth to Rural Areas of the Country for Sustainable Growth	Mrs. Anuradha C. Bhadsavle Farmer and Entrepreneur Suguna Baug, Malegaon Village, Raibag District Maharashtra, India
16.40-17.00	Wrapping Up – Day One	Dr. Amir Kassam and Dr. Max Whitten
18.00	Welcome Dinner	
Time	Activity	Person-in-charge
Day 2 (25 April 2017)		
09.00-09.30	Reflection on Key Points from Day 1	Mr. Ashwin Mysore Action Research Coordinator, ACISAI, AIT
Session : Farmers' Participatory Action Research (FPAR), Farmers' Response for SRI Adaptation and Work Plan for the Next Season		
Session Chairs : Mr. Tiene Vannasouk (before lunch), Ms. Ladda Viriyangura (after lunch)		
Rapporteurs : Abubakar Alma Linda (before lunch), Ashwin Mysore (after lunch)		
Presentations : 25 minutes each (10 minutes for farmer + 10 minutes for Country Coordinator), followed by 10 minutes discussion		
09.30-10.00	Key FPAR Learning and draft work plans, Cambodia	Mr. Tep Khen Farmer's representative Mr. Kong Kea Country Coordinator, Cambodia, SRI-LMB
10.00-10.30	Key FPAR Learning and draft work plans, Lao PDR	Ms. Mee Yang Farmer's representative Mr. Viengxay Photakoun Country Coordinator, Lao PDR, SRI-LMB
10.30-11.00		Tea Break
11.00-11.30	Key FPAR Learning and draft work plan from Vietnam	Mr. Duong Van Thuyet Farmer's representative Mr. Do Hong Khanh IPM Coordinator, PPD, MARD

11.30-12.00	Key FPAR learning and draft work plan from Thailand	Ms. Rampueng Sorathaworn Farmer's representative Ms. Nucharee Jaimool Representative of Provincial Coordinator, VTDC, Uttaradit
12.00-13.00	Lunch Break	
13.00-13.30	Key FPAR learning and draft work plan from Thailand	Mr. Bishal Bhari Program Management Officer ACISAI, AIT, Thailand
13.30-14.00	Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) study from Vietnam	Dr. Nguyen Yen Thi Bich MEL-Researcher, CARES, Hanoi University of Agriculture
14.00-14.30	MEL learning from Cambodia	Dr. Chuong Sophal MEL-Researcher Royal University of Agriculture
14.30-15.00	MEL learning – regional trends	Dr. Suresh Lokhande
15.00-15.30	Tea Break	
Session: Reviewing SRI-LMB Progress and Way Forward		
Session Chairs : Dr. Amir Kassam & Dr. Abha Mishra		
Rapporteur : Mr. Ashwin Mysore		
15.30-16.30	The Role of International, Regional and National SRI Networks in Sustaining the Global SRI Community	Ms. Lucy Hill Fisher Director of Communications, SRI-Rice, Cornell University
	Setting Strategic Directions for Future Project Activities and for Complementing with Other Regional Initiatives	10 minutes for each implementing partner (FAO, Oxfam, University of Queensland, SRI-Rice Cornell University)
16.30-17.00	Summary with Recommendation/Suggestions for Broader Follow-Up	AIT and EU