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IN SOUTH EAST ASIA

ALiSEA VIETNAM MEMBERS' CAPACITY AND NEED SURVEY

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Introduction

- In 2025, ALiSEA Vietnam conducted a Profile Update Survey, Expertise Mapping and Training Needs Assessment to strengthen the foundation of cooperation and improve the network's operational effectiveness
- The survey was designed to collect qualitative and quantitative data from the members of the ALiSEA Vietnam network.
- This survey was conducted online via Google Form, aiming to build a comprehensive picture of the ALiSEA Vietnam network

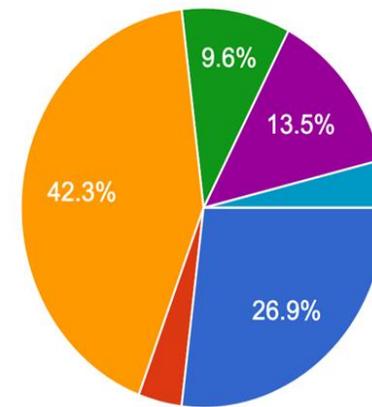
Objectives of the survey

- Update member profiles
- Mapping expertise & scope by subject area, level of participation in Agroecology practice, self-assessment capacity.
- Assess technical and soft skills needs.
- Identify opportunities for knowledge sharing, peer learning, and member-led sessions.
- Develop a Capacity Development Plan 2026–2028 and a basic training module on Agroecology (AE).

Key findings

- 50 organisations responded
- Type of organization: University/research institute (42.3%); NGOs/social enterprises (26.9%); private sector (13.5%),...

Loại hình tổ chức / Type of organization
50 responses

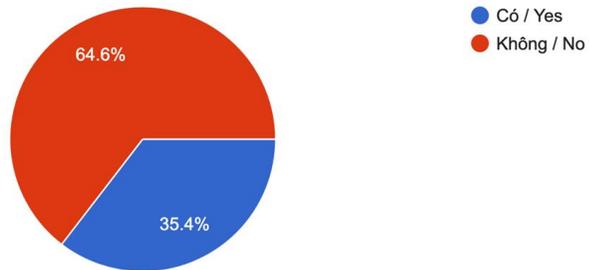


- NGO/ Doanh nghiệp xã hội / NGO, Social enterprise
- Cơ quan nhà nước / Government
- Trường/Viện nghiên cứu / University/ Research Institute
- Nhóm nông dân/HTX / Farmer group/ Cooperative
- Doanh nghiệp tư nhân / Private company
- Mạng lưới/Network

Number of youth staff (<35) & EM staff

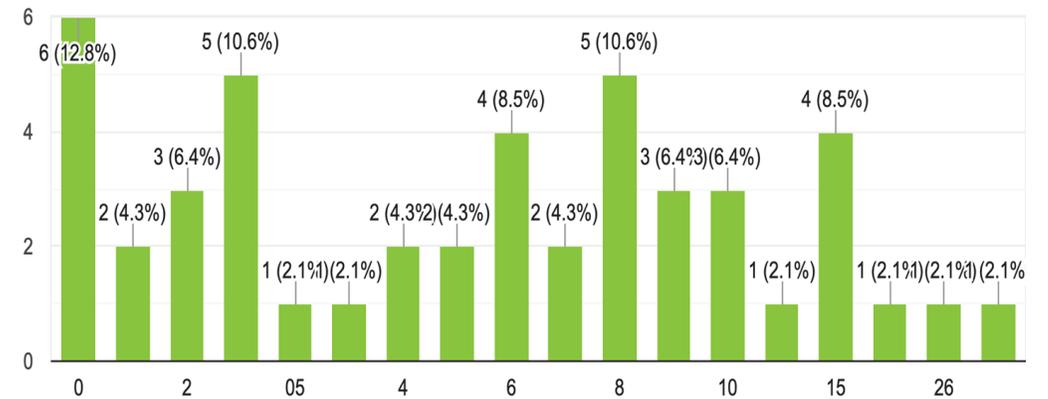
Tổ chức có nhân sự là người dân tộc thiểu số? / Staff from ethnic minority groups?

48 responses



Số nhân sự trẻ (dưới 35 tuổi) / Number of youth staff (<35)

47 responses

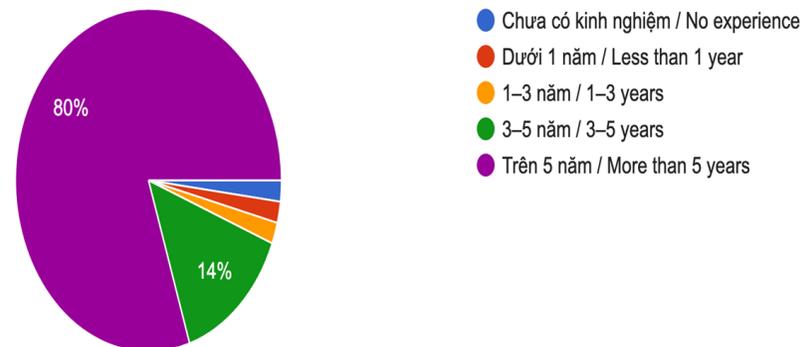


Years of experience implementing AE of your organizations

- Most members demonstrate strong competencies in agroecological practice areas such as organic production, soil management, agrobiodiversity, and sustainable agricultural value chains.
- 80% of members have more than 5 years of experience in AE

Anh/chị vui lòng cho biết số năm kinh nghiệm triển khai NNST/Nông nghiệp bền vững của tổ chức /
Years of experience implementing AE/Sustainable Agriculture of your organizations

50 responses

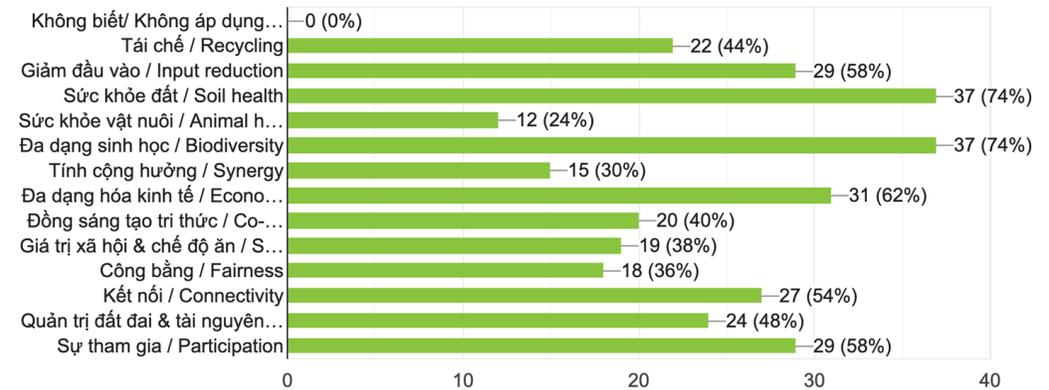


Which of the 13 AE principles are you working on?

- Soil health: 74%
- Biodiversity: 74%
- Animal health: 24%
- Synergy: 15%

Vui lòng chọn 1 trong 13 nguyên tắc NNST mà tổ chức Anh/chị đang thúc đẩy/ nghiên cứu hoặc áp dụng trên đồng ruộng / Which of the 13 AE principles are you working on?

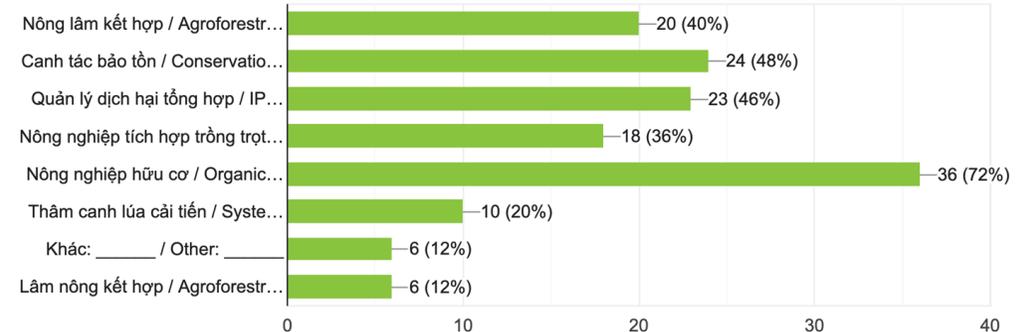
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Which type of AE models/practices applied/promoted by your organization

- Organic agriculture: 72%
- Agroforestry: 52%
- Conservation agriculture: 48%
- IPM: 46%
- Integrated farming (VAC): 36%
- SRI: 20%

Anh/chị vui lòng cho biết các Mô hình/Thực hành NNST tổ chức đang áp dụng/thúc đẩy / Please choose which type of AE models/practices applied/promoted by your organization
50 responses



Core expertise in Agroecology of your organization

- Communication: 100% of members have some extent of expertise
- Local seeds/community seed banks: least expertise among members
- Nutrient/water/soil management & biodiversity: members are able to train other organisations

Anh/chị vui lòng cho biết chuyên môn trọng tâm về Nông nghiệp sinh thái của tổ chức/ Core expertise in Agroecology of your organization

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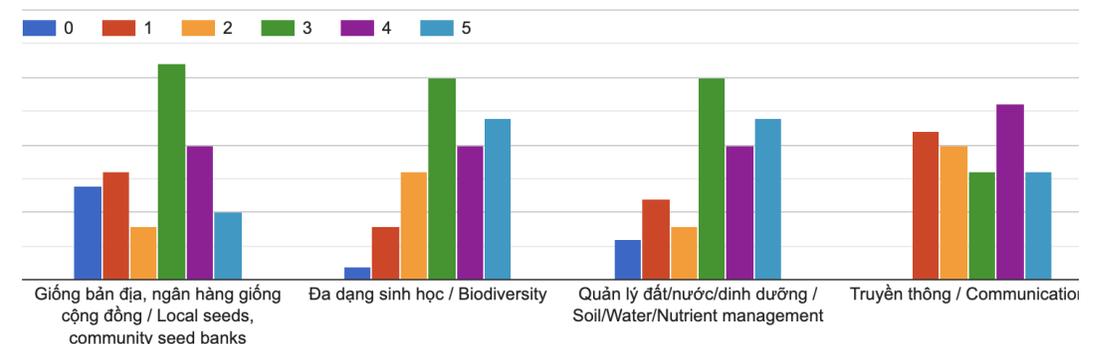
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2 – Ít kinh nghiệm/kiến thức / Limited experience/knowledge

3 – Đã triển khai vài năm / Implemented for a few years

4 – Kinh nghiệm cao / Highly experienced

5 – Có năng lực đào tạo tổ chức khác / Able to train other organizations

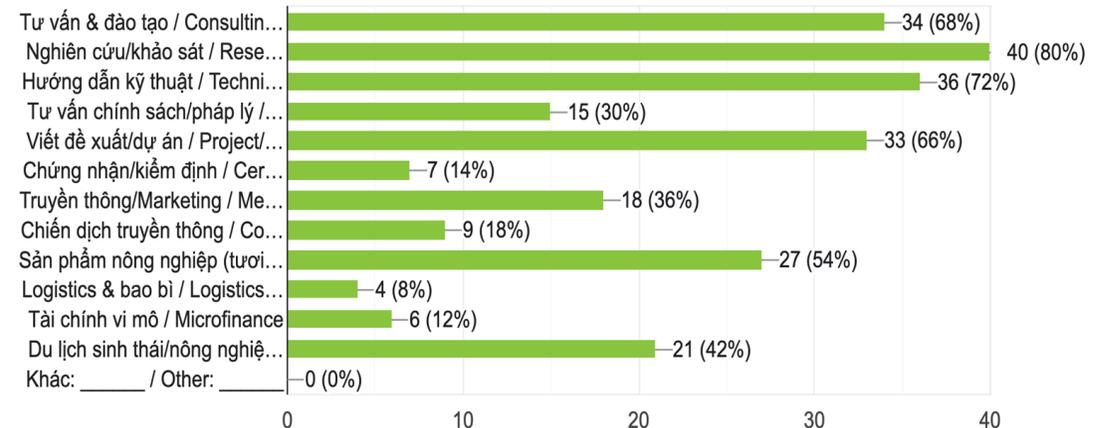


Current services/products relevant to AE of your organization

- Research/survey: 80%
- Technical guide: 72%
- Consulting and training: 68%
- Project proposal writing: 66%
- Agricultural products: 54%
- Agri/eco-tourism: 42%

Anh/chị vui lòng cho biết Các Dịch vụ/Sản phẩm liên quan đến NNST hiện có của tổ chức / Current services/products relevant to AE of your organization

50 responses



Main challenges in implementing AE

- **Limited policy and legal framework:** There is no clear official definition, certification, or labeling system for agroecological products, and AE is only partially integrated into national and local policies.
- **Low farmer awareness and capacity**
- **High transition costs and delayed benefits**
- **Weak market development:** AE products face unstable markets, lack of branding, limited consumer trust, and inadequate distribution channels.
- **Limited technical and extension support**
- **Fragmented production systems:** Small and scattered farming plots make it difficult to apply AE principles at scale or to organize collective actions.
- **Inadequate institutional coordination:** Local governments and agencies often lack clear mandates, strategies, or intersectoral coordination to promote AE.
- **Insufficient monitoring and evaluation tools:** There are no standardized frameworks or MRV systems to assess AE performance and impacts.
- **Climate change pressures**
- **Limited research, investment, and communication**

Self-assessment of organizational capacity

- Farmer training & research: able to train other organisations
- Highly experienced with research, project management, proposal writing
- Implemented for few years: digital technology application, communication, legal awareness of AE
- Few organisations with least experienced

Anh/chị vui lòng tự đánh giá năng lực tổ chức mình theo các mục phía dưới /

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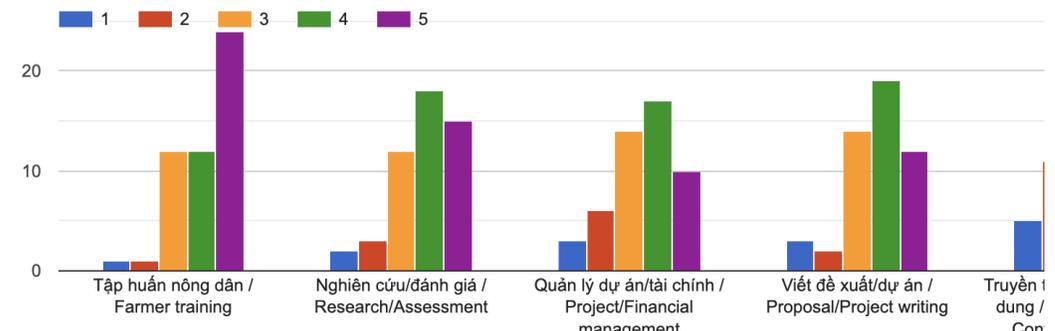
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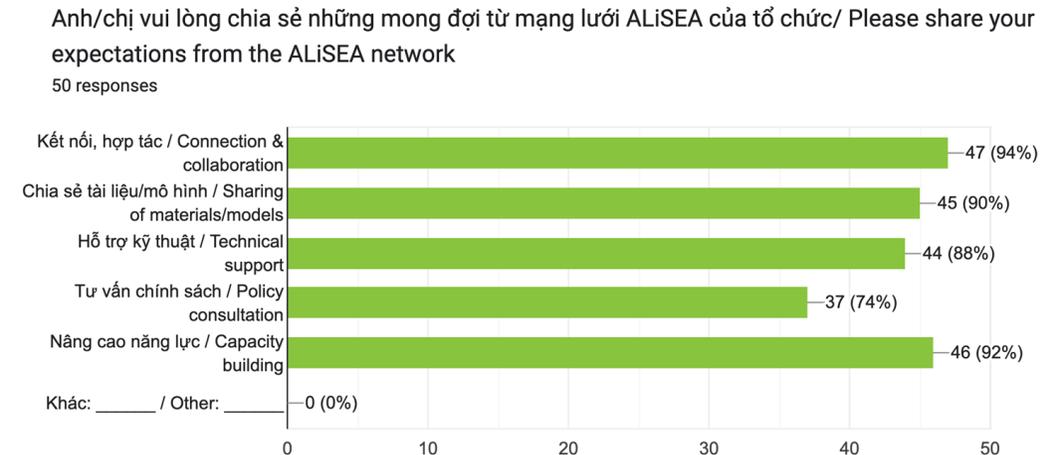
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Members' expectations from the ALiSEA network

- Connection and collaboration: 94%
- Capacity building: 92%
- Sharing of materials & models: 90%
- Technical support: 88%
- Policy consultation: 74%

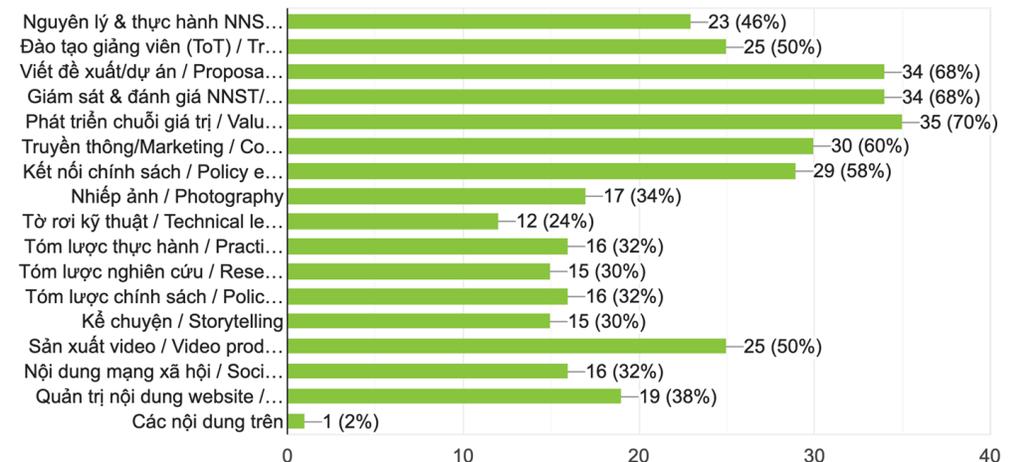


Specific expectations for support

- Value change development: 70%
- Proposal writing & AE M&E: 68%
- Marketing and communication: 60%
- Policy engagement: 58%
- ToT & video production: 50%
- Principle and practices of AE: 46%

Anh.chị vui lòng cho biết các mong muốn cụ thể mà tổ chức cần được hỗ trợ dưới đây (chọn nhiều)
/ Please share with us organization seeks support in below (multiple)

50 responses



NGOs / Social Enterprises

- **Need support in:**

- Developing value chains and market linkages for AE products
- Strengthening M&E frameworks and evidence-based reporting
- Policy advocacy and AE mainstreaming into local planning
- Training materials and communication tools for farmer engagement

- **Expect ALiSEA to:**

- Build capacity through peer-learning workshops
- Support fundraising and proposal development

Private Sector / Cooperatives

- **Need support in:**
 - AE product certification, labeling, and traceability systems
 - Market development and consumer awareness
 - Access to green finance and transition incentives
 - Technical guidance on sustainable production and branding
- **Expect ALiSEA to:**
 - Facilitate partnerships with research, NGOs, and policymakers
 - Advocate for enabling policies and investment incentives

Universities / Research Institutes

- **Need support in:**
 - Translating research into practice and policy
 - Strengthening AE curriculum and training-of-trainers (ToT)
 - Enhancing proposal writing and project management capacity
 - Improving communication, outreach, and visibility of AE models
- **Expect ALiSEA to:**
 - Facilitate research collaboration and data sharing
 - Create platforms for student and faculty engagement in AE learning exchanges

Cross-cutting Needs

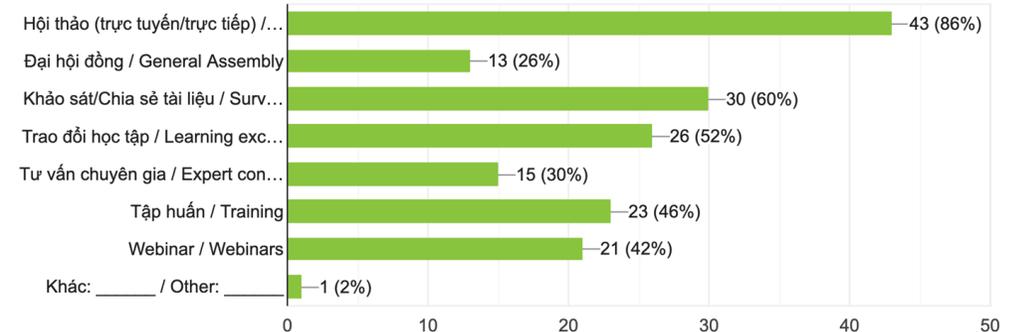
- Strengthen local extension systems and farmer capacity
- Promote knowledge co-creation and peer learning
- Establish monitoring and evaluation frameworks for AE impact
- Enhance collaboration among sectors for innovation and policy dialogue

Which ALiSEA activities has your organization joined?

- Workshop: 86%
- Survey & material sharing: 60%
- Learning exchange: 52%
- Training: 46%
- Webinar: 42%
- Expert consultation: 30%

Anh/chị vui lòng cho biết các hoạt động của ALiSEA mà tổ chức đã tham gia / Which ALiSEA activities has your organization joined?

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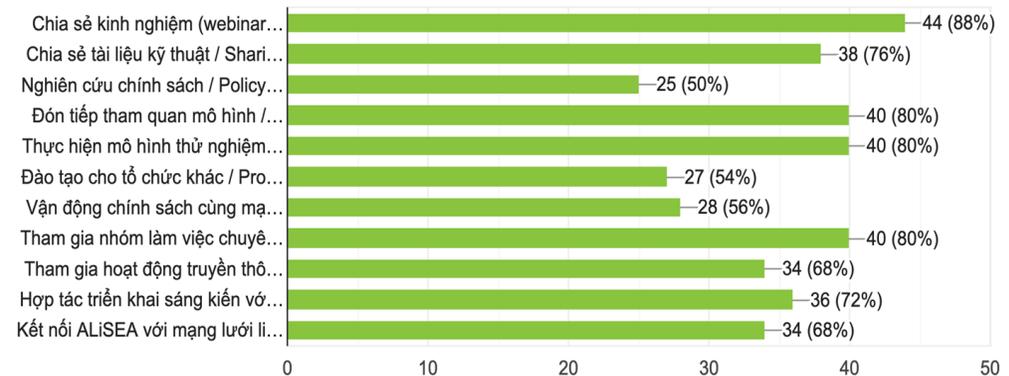


The activities that your organization is willing to contribute

- Sharing experience via webinars: 88%
- Host field visit; model piloting; joining working group: 80%
- Sharing technical materials: 76%
- Collaboration on AE initiatives: 72%
- Networking: 68%
- Advocacy: 56%

Vui lòng cho biết các hoạt động mà tổ chức anh/chị sẵn sàng đóng góp / Please indicate the activities your organization is willing to contribute.

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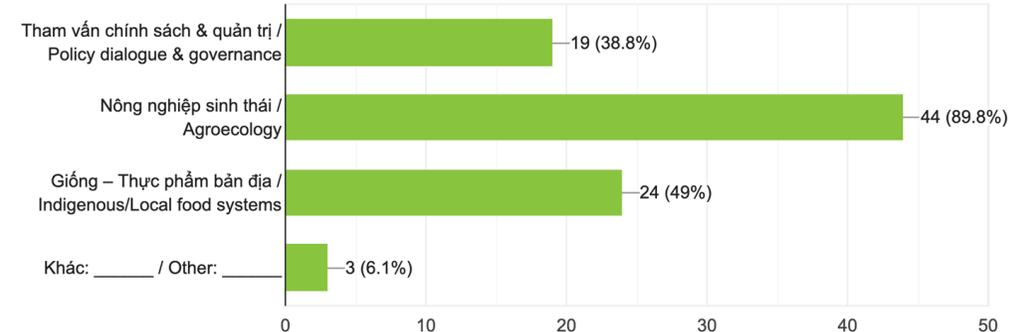


Thematic working group you wish to join

- AE: 90%
- Local food systems: 49%
- Policy dialogue and governance: 39%

Vui lòng cho biết Nhóm chuyên môn anh/chị muốn tham gia trong ALiSEA / Please indicate the thematic working group (s) you wish to join within ALiSEA.

49 responses



Key take-home messages

- **ALiSEA Vietnam has a strong and diverse member base:** 69 organizations across research, NGOs, and private sectors, most with over 5 years' experience in agroecology (AE).
- **Members' AE strengths** lie in organic farming, soil and biodiversity management, and sustainable value chains, but gaps remain in seed systems, legal literacy, and digital tools.
- **Top challenges:** Weak policy frameworks, limited markets, low farmer capacity, fragmented production, and lack of coordination or monitoring systems.
- **Capacity development needs** center on value-chain development, proposal writing, AE monitoring, and policy engagement.
- **High motivation for collaboration among members**
- **Policy priorities** for ALiSEA: Establish AE legal and policy frameworks, certification, and finance mechanisms; Strengthen extension, research, and innovation networks.
- **Members expect ALiSEA** to act as a connector, facilitator, and policy advocate.

Thank you very much!

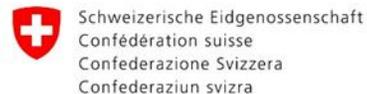


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