



# Sub Sector Working Group on Agroecology (SSWG-AE)

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AGROECOLOGY FOR ASEA



# 5. Multistakeholder engagement

### **Explanation**

- Agroecology transitions are supported bv promoting new connections and relationships between actors in farming systems and creating conditions for shifting entrenched ways of doing things.
- Mobilizing the knowledge, resources and energies of stakeholders to improve agroecosystem and consumer health and farmer prosperity requires engagement of stakeholders that is purposeful, inclusive, proactive and transformative.

### **Policy Guidelines**

- 5.1 Identify and co-develop clear objectives for engaging stakeholders
- 5.2 Conduct stakeholder mapping and develop understanding of their perspectives and interests
- 5.3 Institutionalize engagement
- 5.4 Move beyond consultation to support self-organization















LAOS VIETNAM

CHINA



### 5.1 Identify and co-develop clear objectives for engaging stakeholders



- Ensure that engagement of stakeholders is purposeful, and efficient.
- Co-develop objectives with stakeholders.
- Align engagement objectives with



- ALiSEA Experience and Propositions
- ALiSEA gathers over 200 members organizations and 70 in Laos
- Organize co-development of national action plan and identify joint action to pull resources together
- Create safe space for discussion and co-develop
- Importance to build partnership and collaboration between actors and networks 01 organization
  - Take action regarding to action plan















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- **Instre thas as** stakeholders are given adequate consideration. • ALis Prop
- Develop a sound basis for stakeholder engagement that reflects the characteristics of each





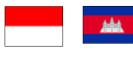
- ALiSEA Experience and Propositions
- As part of the governance, ALiSEA national board members committee is composed of diversity of stakeholders (CSOs, researchers) to represent diversity of voice and opinion - ensure collective decision-making
- Wish to engage more with farmers organizations and private sectors
- Update stakeholders mapping (previously done in 2016) to define specific engagement strategy
- Create common culture

















### 5.3 Institutionalize



### engagement

• Arrange appropriate resources, time, and capacities to ensure proactive and sustained stakeholder engagement, effectively managing power imbalances.

- Ensure full support and recognition of engagement efforts by both leadership and frontline bureaucrats.
- Empower engagement

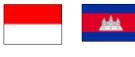


- ALiSEA Experience and Propositions
- Adaptive management approach with flexibility to test innovative mechanisms, adjust and improve the governance arrangement through proofs of concept to integrate members' suggestions and ensure local ownership.
- Developing local ownership of the network, own vision, governance mechanisms and rules.
- Identify champions leaders (core team) to run the















5.4 Aim for transformative engagement beyond

# Cempower Istakeholders,

especially farmers, women, and youth, across four dimensions: voice and participation, capacity and resources, rights and access to justice, and strengthen social recognition and support through legal frameworks (see section C2)

• Set collaborative agendas for change by creating a shared vision for agroecology transition to support national sustainable



- ALiSEA Experience and Propositions
- Diversity of modalities
  - : training, peer to peer exchange, field



















Integration of ASEAN quidelines into the next Agriculture Development



Strategy (ADS) Q1: What are the main challenges to implementing these guidelines in Laos?

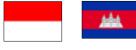
- Limited capacity to catch the stakeholders' perceptions due to limited connections and relationships between (1) farmers themselves and (2) with other stakeholders.
- Limited appropriation due to (1) insufficient knowledge available on agroecology in Lao language and to (2) insufficient interests perceptions of multi-stakeholders engagement
- Make multi-stakeholders engagement purposeful and efficient : limited leaderships support

















# Integration of ASEAN guidelines into the next Agriculture Development



Strategy (ADS) Q2: Based on the Lao situation, which guidelines should be prioritised in the new ADS?

• Conduct stakeholder mapping and develop understanding of their perspectives and interests (5.2)

### As well as ...

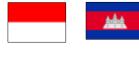
 Appropriation of agroecology and multistakeholders engagement advantages/interests and capacities (5.4 : Aim for transformative engagement beyong consultation)

Required to ...















### Integration of ASEAN guidelines into the next Agriculture Development



§3: White My as (ABS) hould be included in the ADS to improve implementation of the priority guidelines?

- To catch the diversity of stakeholders' interests, expectations and conditions
  individual and collective consultations with duly designed facilitation methods and tools
- To favor grass root appropriation : sharing session to ensure ownership and make documents and knowledge available