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INVITATION

Workshop “Leveraging plural values of mangroves for climate change mitigation and adaptation goals”

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You are cordially invited to the international workshop “Leveraging plural values of mangroves for climate change mitigation and adaptation goals” jointly organized by Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) of Viet Nam and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Details as follows:

- 1. Time:** 20 and 21 November 2023.
- 2. Venue:** Saigon Morin Hotel, 30 Le Loi street, Phu Hoi ward, Hue city, Thua Thien Hue province, Viet Nam.
- 3. Co-chairs:** Vice Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Resident Representative of UNDP in Viet Nam, and Vice-Chairman of People’ Committee of Thua Thien Hue province.
- 4. Format:** Hybrid (on-site and on-line)
- 5. Participants:**

- About 60 participants attending on-site (international delegates, representatives of the Government office and line ministries some leaders of coastal provinces of Viet Nam, representatives from embassies and international organizations in Viet Nam, experts from national and national institutions, local practitioners, and the media).

- About 100 online participants including international experts, provincial representatives, and other local institutions.

- 6. Workshop agenda:** *please find enclosed the detailed workshop agenda*

Kindly register to the workshop by 10 November 2023 using the following link:
<https://forms.gle/FERqytkUvcs0882p9>

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We look forward to receiving you at the workshop./.

Recipients:

- As above;
- Minister Lê Minh Hoan (report);
- Vice Minister Nguyễn Quốc Trị (report);
- UNDP Viet Nam;
- Department of Forestry;
- Department of International Cooperation;
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By order of the Minister
HEAD OF MINISTRY OFFICE

Lê Văn Thành

WORKSHOP AGENDA
“Leveraging plural values of mangroves for climate change mitigation and adaptation goals”

Time	Content	Responsibility
Day 1 (20/11/2023): Field trip to Tam Giang – Cau Hai lagoon		
7:30-8:00	Participants gather at pick-up point	UNDP
8:00 -12:00	<p>Field trip to Tam Giang – Cau Hai lagoon (approximately 20km away from Hue city)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visit the office of Tam Giang - Cau Hai Natural Reserves: introduction of the natural reserves, discussion on how to sustainably manage resources of Tam Giang – Cau Hai lagoon; Q&A (1.5 hour) - Visit a mangrove forest in Tam Giang – Cau Hai (1.5 hours): (1) gain understanding on a community-based management model in Tam Giang – Cau Hai; (2) discuss with local stakeholders (especially forest holders) on challenges in mangrove forest management and needs of support; and (3) efforts in restoring mangrove forests by local stakeholders; - Visit a sampling site for mangrove forest carbon measurement and/or site of GCF1 project to learn from local experience in adapting to climate change (if possible) (1 hour) 	All participants
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch with local communities	All participants
13:00 – 15:30	Site visit and traveling back to Hue city	All participants
15:30 -	Free time	
Day 2 (21/11/2023): Morning session – Technical discussion and sharing		
Chaired by Department of Forestry, MARD		
07:30 - 08:00	Registration	UNDP + DoF
08:00 - 08:15	Opening and introduction to the agenda	Department of Forestry (DoF), MARD
08:15 - 08:30	Diversifying climate finance and carbon market development in Viet Nam: vision and progress	Department of Climate Change, MONRE

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08:30 – 09:00	Question and Answer	All participants
09:00 – 10:15	Technical discussion sessions	
	<p>Technical session 1: Carbon and co-benefits from mangroves ecosystem, and contributions to NDCs</p> <p><i>1 keynote presentation and 3 country presentations + discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Inclusion of mangroves in NDCs: an overview of ambitions and challenges (Clea Paz-Rivera, UNDP)</i> - <i>Contribution of blue ecosystems including mangroves to NDC – experience of Sri Lanka</i> - <i>Indonesia (mangrove emissions data and contribution of mangroves in national climate change mitigation and adaptation agenda) or Cambodia (mapping the blue carbon in mangrove forests)</i> - <i>Viet Nam: measuring carbon stock of mangrove forests – methodological development</i> 	Suggested moderator: Vu Tan Phuong
10:15-10:30	Tea break	
10:30-11:45	<p>Technical 2: Mobilizing resources for protection and development of mangroves forest</p> <p><i>1 keynote presentation and 3 country presentations + discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Development and operation of carbon marketplace for nature-based projects – the CIX of Singapore (International Blue Carbon Institute)</i> - <i>Vietnam: A carbon market access strategy for FOLU sector</i> - <i>Viet Nam: Payment for forest environmental services – status and potential of payment for mangroves protection</i> - <i>Bangladesh: mobilizing resources for mangroves restoration and protection – opportunity from blue carbon trading</i> 	Suggested moderator: Clea Paz-Rivera, UNDP
11:45 - 12:00	Wrap-up	Chair-person
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch break	
Day 2: Afternoon session – High-level plenary discussion		
13:30 - 14:00	Introduction of participants	DoF

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	Opening speeches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vice-Minister of MARD - UNDP representative - Vice-chairman of Thua Thien Hue's Provincial People's Committee - Representative of UK's Government (tentative) 	
14:00 – 14:15	Setting the stage: roles of mangrove forests in delivering key ecosystem services	Haruna Suenaga, UNDP
14:15 – 14:30	Review the implementation of “Protection and development of coastal mangroves in response to climate change and green-growth promotion in the 2021-2030 period” scheme (assigned by Viet Nam's Prime Minister) - Key challenges and opportunities	DoF
14:30 – 14:45	Report from Technical discussion 1 (<i>summary & reflections on policy implementation and development</i>)	Vu Tan Phuong
14:45 – 15:00	Report from Technical discussion 2 (<i>summary & reflections on policy implementation and development</i>)	Clea Paz-Rivera, UNDP
15:00 – 15:30	Tea-break	All participants
15:30 – 16:50	Panel discussion – Best practices and strategies on community-based management and engaging private sector in managing mangrove forests/ecosystems (each country 10' followed by Q&A from the floor) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sri Lanka (community-based management) - Indonesia (private sector & businesses) - Bangladesh (community-based management) - Cambodia (private sector & businesses) - Singapore (private sector & businesses) - Viet Nam (technical issues and policies on mangroves conservation and development) 	Haruna Suenaga, Clea Paz-Rivera
16:50– 17:00	Wrap-up and closing remarks	Co-chairs

NOTE: Detailed information on logistic arrangements will be shared to participants after the registration process (by 10 November 2023). We hope to receive your registration very soon to facilitate workshop preparation. You can also scan the QR code below for registration link.

