

Asia-Link RECREATE: Restructuring Higher education in resource and environmental economics in East-Asian transition economies

Objectives

- Strengthening staff capacity for education and research in resource and environmental economic at Nanjing Agricultural University (NAU) and at the University of Economics, Ho Chi Minh City (UEH)
- Development and revision of education curricula in environmental and resource economics at undergraduate and graduate level in Vietnam and China.



Partners

-  Wageningen University
-  Nanjing Agricultural University
-  University of Economics, Ho Chi Minh City
-  Humboldt University Berlin
-  Institute of Social Studies, The Hague

- **21-22 June 2007: International Seminar at the University of Economics, Ho Chi Minh City (Vietnam)**
- **29-31 October 2008: International Conference at Nanjing Agricultural University (China)**

Target Groups and Activities

The target groups are young and promising staff members at two leading higher education institutes in the field of environmental and natural resource economics in South China and Vietnam.

Main activities comprise intensive training courses in China and Vietnam, curriculum development and revision, staff training abroad, PhD supervision, short-term research projects, and strengthening international contacts.

Project Duration

The project runs for three years, from the 16th of December 2005 until the 15th of December 2008.



Expected Results

At the end of the project, young and promising staff members at NAU and UEH have been trained in The Netherlands and Germany in recent theories in the field of resource and environmental economics and have become familiar with modern teaching methods and advanced research methodologies and data analysis methods.

These skills are an essential prerequisite for adapting education in the field of resource and environmental economics to the requirements of the emerging market economy (economic liberalisation, changing resource management institutions) in China and Vietnam.

Moreover, it is expected to enhance the international orientation of education and research at both institutes, and raise their levels up to international standards.