



# Agenda

## Workshop: “Applying Voluntary Sustainability Standards and tools in achieving biodiversity conservation goals”

Date: 15 December 2023

Venue: Pan Pacific Hotel, 1 Thanh Nien street, Ba Dinh district, Ha Noi

Time	Activities	Speaker
8:00-8:30	Registration	
8:30 - 8:50	Opening speech	Mr. To Viet Chau, Deputy General Director, International Cooperation Department, MARD Ms. Sibylle Bachmann, Deputy Head, Swiss Cooperation Office in Viet Nam
8:50 - 9:20	Sustainability standards – Overview and basic steps/process to get certified.	Mr. Bui Khanh Tung, Value Chain Expert, CRED
9:20 - 9:30	Policy & regulations to support sustainable agriculture – Coconut sector in Tra Vinh province	Mr. Le Van Dong, Vice Director, DARD Tra Vinh province
9:30 – 9:40	Policy & regulations to support sustainable cinnamon development in Yen Bai province	Mr. Kieu Tu Giang, Director, Forest Management Department, Yen Bai province.
9:40 – 10:00	Overview of global view of VSS’s contribution to biodiversity conservation, and overview of BioTrade Principles and Criteria	Ms. Lika Sasaki, Programme Management Officer, UNCTAD
10:00 – 10:20	Question and answer	
10:20 – 10:40	<b>Tea break</b>	
10:40 - 11:00	Private sector taking action towards biodiversity conservation	Mr. Jos van der Zanden, Regional Manager Biotrade project Vietnam, Laos, Myanmar and Cambodia, Helvetas
11:00 - 11:15	Challenges and opportunities from VSS adoption – How VSS makes changes in the supply chain from the business view	Mr. Tran Van Hieu, CEO, Dace company
11:15 – 11:30	Lessons learned from private companies on promoting biodiversity in trade in the ASEAN member states.	Ms. Corazon de Jesus Jr., Programme Specialist, ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity

11:30 – 11:45	Buyer trends for sustainability/ biodiversity conservation - <i>sustainability trends and introduce UEBT's work</i>	Ms. Ta Thi Hanh Lien, Representative, UEBT Southeast Asia
11:45 - 11:55	Question and answer	
11:55 - 12:00	Briefing of morning session	Mr. To Viet Chau, Deputy General Director of International Cooperation Department, MARD
12:00-13:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:30 - 13:50	EUDR & implementation indicators	Ms. Nguyen Lam Giang, Director, CRED
13:50 – 14:10	Introduction of a practical tool to measure carbon emissions in the rice sector.	Dr. Nguyen Ngoc Huy, Climate Change Expert
14:10 – 14:25	Mechanism and benefits of obtaining CO2 credits for sustainable businesses	Dr. Nguyen Phuong Nam, Founder/CEO, Climate Innovation Consulting & Services.
14:25 – 14:50	Introduction of Gold and Vera standards in addressing CO2 emission	Mr. Nguyễn Hữu Nghĩa, Natural resources and Carbon Monitoring Coordinator, Center For Nature Conservation and Development (CCD)
14:50 – 15:10	Question and answer	
15:10 – 15:30	<b>Tea break</b>	
15:30 – 15:45	Develop sustainability report	Ms. Le Thi Bao Tram, Consulting Director, ERM company
15:45: 16:00	Question and answer	
16:00 – 16:45	Group discussion: - What is needed to scale up VSS and contribute to CO2 reduction from the view of different stakeholders? - How can we do to restore biodiversity conservation from your supply chain? (from the view of Private companies, NGOs, government bodies...)	
16:45 – 17:00	Briefing of the workshop and closing remarks	Ms. Lika Sasaki, Programme Management Officer, UNCTAD