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# Regional Workshop on Water, Land and Southeast Asia Food Sovereignty

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### Overview

According to the World Bank, East and South-east Asia will undergo extreme food crisis in the year 2025 and beyond:

Climate change will increase the frequency of droughts, floods, crop stress, crop pests and diseases with direct affect on crop yields. Furthermore, most Southeast Asian countries have been focusing on economic growth of non-agricultural investments while mainly neglecting spendings on agriculture and irrigation infrastructure.

Besides this, land degradation and increasing urbanization leads to a decline of arable land in the region. As developing countries are facing a massive decline in agricultural prime land while attaining continuous population growth, they will become even more dependent on food imports from the developed countries, which are predicted to have a climate change induced growth in arable land.

A market driven global food system, advocated by the developed countries and multinational corporations, executed through international trade and agreements, has additionally stressed food supply in developing countries. For this reason an international social movement is emerging to promote food sovereignty instead of food security.

### Objectives

This regional workshop aims at sharing knowledge, study results, and policy measures in the field of water, land, climate and food sovereignty issues.

The workshop gives also the opportunity to build up networks between Southeast Asian scientists and policy makers in food and agriculture.

### Topics

- Political, economic and social aspect of water for agriculture
- Policies of water management and use for agriculture in the Southeast Asia region
- Climate change and the future of water and land for agriculture
- Cooperation between Southeast Asian countries on water research and management
- Political, economic, and social aspects of land for agriculture
- Land degradation and agricultural land conversion
- Southeast Asia food security and food crisis
- Impact of international agreements on agriculture and food for Southeast Asian countries
- Food sovereignty and international trade related aspects on food

Schedule		
Monday	09/17/2012	Arrival and dinner
Tuesday	09/18/2012	Welcome and keynotes speeches Lunch Room 1 Water & land management for agriculture in Southeast Asia I Room 2 Political & socio-economic aspects of water & land for agriculture I Food security and food sovereignty issues I Welcome dinner for foreign participants
Wednesday	09/19/2012	Room 1 Water & land management for agriculture in Southeast Asia II Room 2 Political & socio-economic aspects of water & land for agriculture II Food security and food sovereignty issues II Lunch Room 1 Water & land management for agriculture in Southeast Asia III Room 2 Political & socio-economic aspects of water & land for agriculture III Food security and food sovereignty issues III Closing remark
Thursday	09/20/2012	Excursion for foreign participants
Friday	09/21/2012	Departure

### Lecturers

Dr. R. M. Marty M. Natalegawa (Foreign Minister of the Republic of Indonesia); Dr. Ir. H. Suswono, MMA (Minister of agriculture of the Republic of Indonesia); Dr. Norbert Baas (German Ambassador in Indonesia); Prof. Dr. Herry Suhardiyanto (Rector, Bogor Agricultural University); P. Sathees (Director Deccan Development Society, India); Indonesian government and World Bank representatives as well as local high-class experts and practitioners.

### Course Organization

This workshop consist of lectures, discussion and keynote speeches.

### Target Audience

Southeast Asian researchers, lecturers, PhD and MA/MSc students with an interest in water, land, climate change and food security/sovereignty.

### Number of participants

The number of participants is confined to 20.

### Application

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