



ALiSEA
Agro-ecology Learning alliance in South East Asia

SMALL GRANT FACILITY RESULTS 2022-2023

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Overall objective of small grant

Strengthen **ALiSEA members and partners** on major topics in support to agroecology transition in the Sub-Mekong Region.

Specific objectives of this small grant are:

- to strengthen partnerships between the ALiSEA members and encourage joint actions;
- to reinforce members' skills through building partnership with non-members;
- to broaden the network efforts of inclusiveness and representation of the variety of stakeholders in agriculture and food systems.



Small grant facility topic

Topic	2022	2023
1	Assess the impact and effect of public policy supporting agroecology and food systems at multiple levels.	Support and improve market access for Agroecology Products
2	Test and support agroecology innovations (technical, social, economic, organizational and institutional).	Link field experience in Agroecology and Food Systems to Public Policy framework
3	Evaluate the performance and impacts of agricultural and food systems of ALiSEA members' field initiatives.	Empower and strengthen Youth involvement in Agroecology

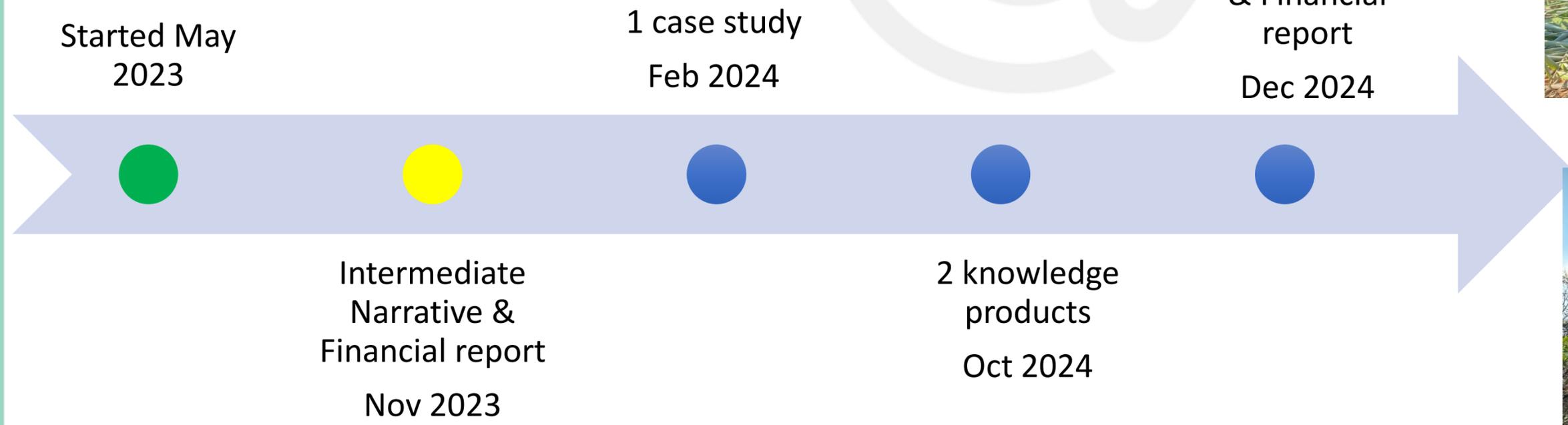


Link and learn agroecology from the field



Objective: Capitalize on the best 14 agroecological practices that have been captured, assessed, shared and learned by ALiSEA members

Location: All Provinces
Time frame: 18 months





Promotion of renewable energy into agriculture post-harvesting for smallholders



Objective: Small-scale farmers in Lao PDR apply renewable energy to their post-harvesting practices, to gain decent economic benefits and improve their livelihoods.

Location: Vientiane Province

Time frame: 16 months



Oct 2024

Started May 2023

Aug 2024
1 case study

Final Narrative & Financial Report

Intermediate Narrative report

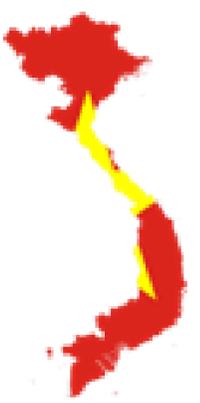
Nov 2023

1 knowledge product
Sep 2024





Eco-weed control: a participatory experiment on PGS organic vegetable farms



Objective: Assess if transplantation of well prepared & healthy vegetable seedlings (through nursery practices) can effectively control weeds on PGS organic vegetable farms with reduced/minimum soil tillage, as compared to existing practices of direct vegetable seeding

Location: Hanoi & Hoa Binh Provinces

Time frame: 12 months



Started Mar 2023

Jan 2024
1 case study

Apr 2024
Final Narrative & Financial Report

Intermediate Narrative report

2 knowledge products
Mar 2024





Support transition towards more diversified farming system by developing experimental cultivation of native medicinal herbs and edible herbs on upland farming areas

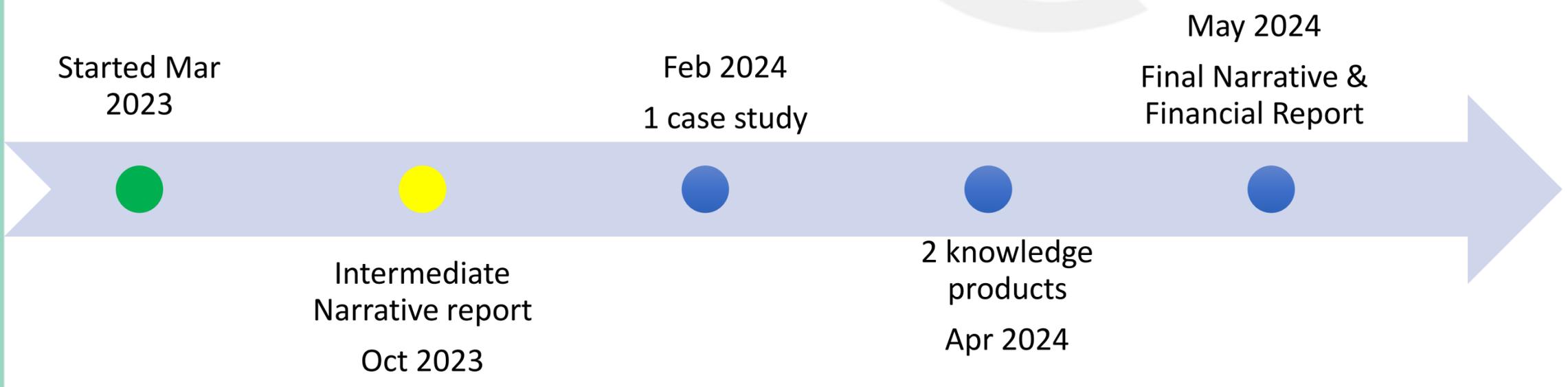
Objective: To support capacity development for farmers and concerned stakeholders to gain knowledge about a transition towards diversified farming systems by testing and integrating herbs and building experimental pilot farms

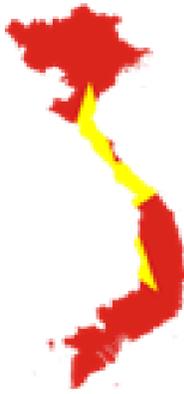
Location: Kon Tum Province

Time frame: 14 months



Farmers Union of the Po E commune





On project Strengthening community capacity in monitoring pesticides use and promoting agroecology

Objective: Reduce use of hazardous pesticides & promote AE practices enhancing capacity for farmers and stakeholders (especially female farmers) regarding pesticide use monitoring

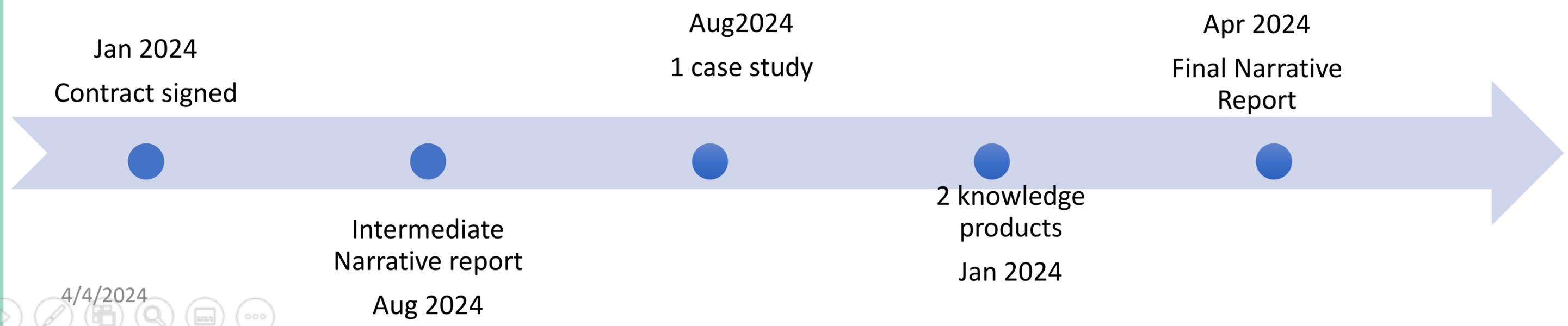
Location: Hai Hau district, Nam Dinh province

Time frame: 15 months

Research Centre for Gender, Family and Environment in Development



Women's Union of Hai Hau District





Multidimensional Evaluation of Agroecological Performance



Objective: Multi-dimensionally access & evaluate AE performance of farmers in northern Cambodia and propose solutions for upgrading the transition, access baseline data on current agroecology practices and transitions in the study areas

Location: Battambang Province

Time frame: 12 months



Mar 2024

Started Mar 2023

Jan 2024

Final Narrative & Financial Report

1 case study

2 knowledge products
Feb 2024

Intermediate Narrative report
Sep 2023





Research and demonstration of climate-resilient and agro-ecological cashew nuts production



Objective: Smallholder cashew farmers' resilience to climate change are strengthened. Knowledge of AE production is made available; Find climate- and pest-resistant cashew varieties and demonstrate innovative methods of agroecological practice of cashew cultivation

Location: Kampot & Kompong Thom Provinces

Time frame: 18 months



June 2023
Started

1st Narrative &
Financial report
Nov 2023

May 2024
2nd Narrative & Financial report

Final narrative &
Financial report 1
case study 2
knowledge products
Nov 2024



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**Provincial Department of
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Fishery Kompong Thom**





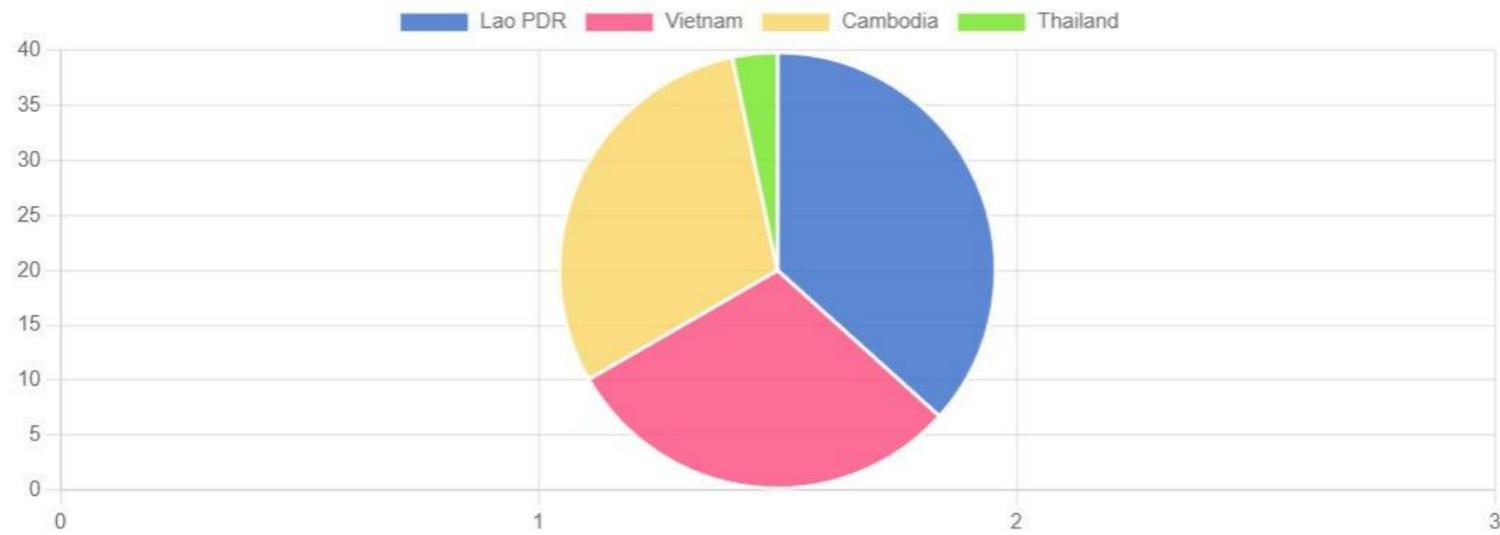
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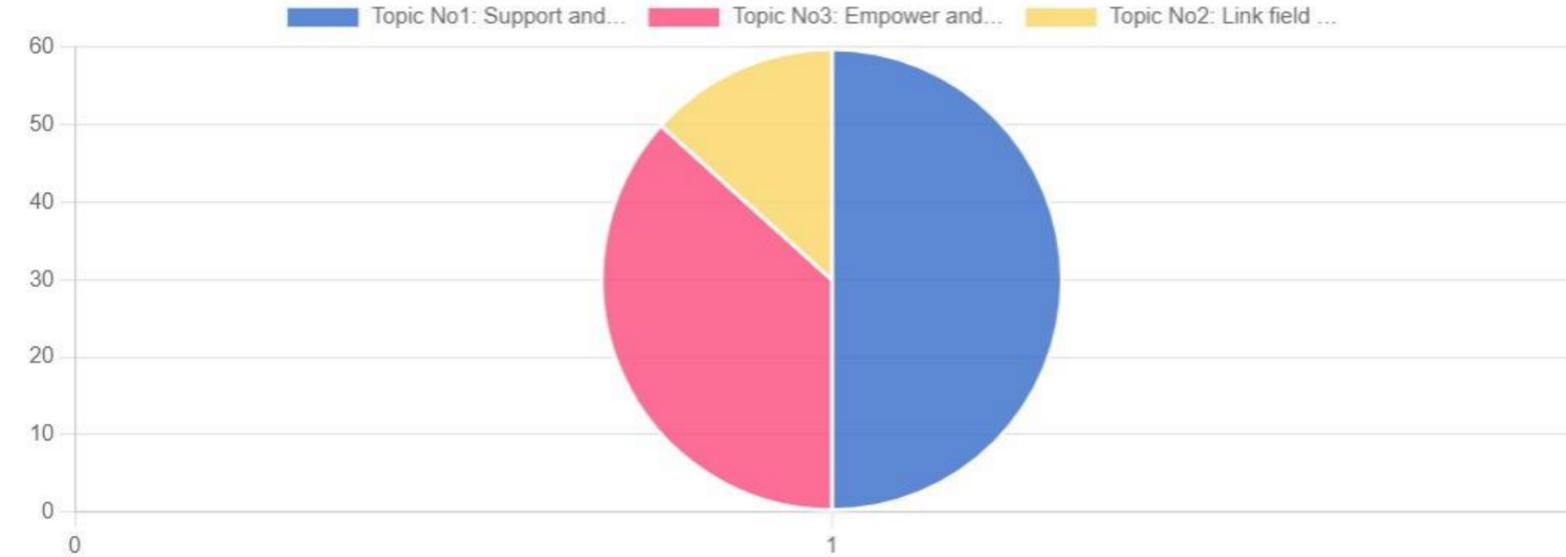


Full proposal submitted by country

Full proposal submitted by Topic



Value	Frequency	Percentage
Lao PDR	11	36.67
Vietnam	9	30
Cambodia	9	30
Thailand	1	3.33



Value	Frequency	Percentage
Topic No1: Support and improve market access for Agroecology Products	15	50
Topic No3: Empower and strengthen Youth involvement in Agroecology	11	36.67
Topic No2: Link field experience in Agroecology and Food Systems to Public Policy framework	4	13.33

**In Total: 30 Full proposals submitted across 4 countries
50% highest score proposals will be selected**





Selection Committee & results of 9 Grants awarded

- **Co-Development of one common Guidelines** to manage funding from ASSET project and Uni4coop in Cambodia (a single process managed by ALiSEA)
- **Diversity of stakeholders involved from 3 countries:** GRET, RDA, CASRAD, NOMAFSI, DPA, Uni4Coop, SAEDA, NUoL, NOMAFSI, CISDOMA, Chrysalis Consulting, CIRAD

Country	Number of Grants awarded 2023	Funded by ASSET project (AFD/EU/FFEM)	Funded by Uni4Coop (DGD)
Cambodia	3	1	2
Lao PDR	3	3	
Vietnam	2	2	
Thailand	1	1	



Topic 1: Support & improve market access for Agroecology Products

Title of the proposals	Team leaders	Partners/Co applicant	Knowledge produce
<p>Scale up Agroecological Products Access to Sustainable and Integration Markets Project (SAPSISM) Location: Xiengkhouang Province</p>	<p>The People With Disabilities Development Association of Xiengkhouang Province (PDDA.XKh)</p>	<p>Peak Organic Cooperative in Agriculture (POCA)</p>	<p>Two case studies on significant change of the project in the middle of project period and end of project implementation.</p>
<p>Strengthening organic sesame supply chain in Preah Vihear province by integrating AE practices and linking the products to markets</p>	<p>Agronomes et Vétérinaires Sans Frontières (AVSF)</p>	<p>Preah Vihear Mean Chey Union of Agricultural Cooperative (PMUAC)</p>	<p>Training module on agroecological/organic sesame production and postharvest</p> <p>Video on good practices of agroecological sesame product</p>



Topic 1: Support & improve market access for Agroecology Products

Title of the proposals	Team leaders	Partners/Co applicant	Knowledge produce
<p>Expanding Market for Regenerative Vegetables through Improved Production and Distribution. Location: District Ham Yen Provinces: Tuyen Quang</p>	Rikolto	Tuyen Quang Provincial Agriculture Extension Center (PAEC)	<p>Inclusive business models for smallholder farmers in the vegetable value chain</p> <p>Role of the market in promoting regenerative agriculture practices</p>
<p>Strengthening a Network of Biochar Producers to Meet the Growing Demand for Biochar-Based Products. Location: Provinces: Mae Hong Son, Tak, Chiang Mai, Chiang Rai, Lamphun, Lampang also via scholarships, N Cambodia, N Laos, N Myanmar</p>	ECHO Asia Foundation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Warm Heart Foundation (Warm Heart) and Biochar Life, PBC 2. International Biochar Initiative (IBI) 	<p>Outline the program and training of Biochar Academy and translate 7 regional Asian languages</p> <p>Video series on low-cost biochar production technologies</p>



Topic 2 : Link field experience in Agroecology and Food Systems to Public Policy framework

Title of the proposals	Team leaders	Partners/Co applicant	Knowledge produce
<p>Coffee Waste Solutions: Integrating Sustainable Models for Wastewater and By-Product Management into local environmental Policy. Location: Son La Province</p>	<p>Northern Mountainous Agriculture and Forestry Science Institute (NOMAFSI)</p>	<p>Thai Viet Coffee Cooperative</p>	<p>Policy paper provides comprehensive review and analysis of the current state of waste treatment in the coffee industry of the province.</p> <p>Technical video guideline on treating waste from coffee processing</p>



Topic 3: Empower and strengthen Youth involvement in Agroecology

Title of the proposals	Team leaders	Partners/Co applicant	Knowledge produce
Youth and Women Empowerment for Agroecology (YWEA) Location: Naxaythong district, Vientiane Capital	Agricultural Development and Social Assistance Association (ADSA)	Phan-Thin Social Enterprise (Phan-Thin)	Short VDO (5-7mn) about the project presentation; approach and results of the project include most significant for change. Case study paper/report (1 page) in Lao and English.
Integrated Agroecology: Study, Implementation and Practice (IASIP). Location: Provinces: Oddar Meanchey, Siem Reap	Green Shoots Foundation (GSF)	1. Center of Excellence on Sustainable Agricultural Intensification and Nutrition (CE SAIN) 2. Green Shoots Resources Organization	Curriculum and teaching guide for Conservation Agriculture and Wildfoods. Four case studies of the awarded projects for Agroecology.



Topic 3: Empower and strengthen Youth involvement in Agroecology

Title of the proposals	Team leaders	Partners/Co applicant	Knowledge produce
<p>Re-enchanting Agriculture for Youths through an Organic Network.</p> <p>Location: Provinces: Luang Prabang</p>	<p>Ban Suan Ai Oun Organic Farm Co., Ltd</p>	<p>1. Luangprabang Organic Agriculture Association (LOAA) 2. Luang Prabang Lao Youth Union</p>	<p>Booklet and videos of training content using e-learning resources</p> <p>Report describing success stories</p>
<p>Empower and strengthen Youth Involvement in Agroecology through Youth Agroecology Caravan (YAC24).</p> <p>Location: Provinces: Preah Vihear, Battambang, Siem Reap, Kompong Tom</p>	<p>VIVRE DE SA TERRE (VDST)</p>	<p>1. BAYON EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT (BED) 2. SUSTAINABLE SOIL FOR LIFE ASSOCIATION (SSLA)</p>	<p>Website disseminate on the Agroecology Caravan's experiences, results, and lesson learned</p> <p>Case studies from agroecological sites visited.</p> <p>Video spot capturing the approach, lessons learned, and results of the Youth Agroecology Caravan</p>



Monitoring and way forward



Follow up and monitoring of awarded grants by ALiSEA Small Grant Officer

- Organize field visit
- Set up discussion during the project implement
- Join grantee workshop/event
- Promote grantees work on ALiSEA website

Document and ensure results dissemination

- Invite grantee to share their results via webinars
- Gather all knowledge products to be promoted on the knowledge hub
- Launch a capitalization process (intern support)
- Produce small grant capitalization documents



Thank you

