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Having background in Political Science, he has mostly involved in building networking, negotiation, and doing advocacy for policy development change at national and regional levels in terms of agriculture development, especially on organic



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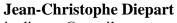


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Currently, his research focuses on conservation agriculture practices. He pioneered research in seven countries that showed yield increases as well as labor and water savings by replacing conventional practices with conservation agriculture practices in vegetable production systems. Reyes uses living systems as materials for his engineering designs. His aim is to intensify food production while enhancing soil health and biodiversity and improving water quality and water availability. His key motivation is to improve food security and the quality of life, especially in poor communities.

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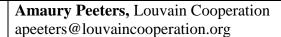
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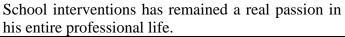


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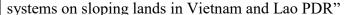
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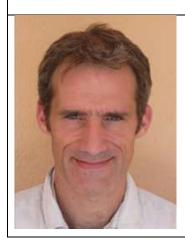
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