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Project Title

Development of a Curriculum - Supply Chain Management and Post-Harvest Technology for Vegetables and Fruit (DOCUMAP)

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Area(s) of Activity

Human Resources Development, Curriculum Development, Institutional and Systems Development

Partners

Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany

Hanoi Agricultural University, Vietnam

China Agricultural University, China

Syiah Kuala University, Indonesia

Swedish Agricultural University, Sweden

Copenhagen University, Denmark

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium

Associated Partner: Institut Polytechnique LaSalle Beauvais, France

Project Abstract

The project targets staff and students at the partner universities as well as enterprises in the horticultural sector in the joint development of human resources, curricula and institutions for the education in sustainable and quality-oriented supply chain management and postharvest technology for vegetables and fruit.

Problem-based learning, multidisciplinary team work and university-industry collaboration are the corner stones of this education. Asian staff and students are trained in summer schools and a sandwich programme, European students work together with their Asian counterparts in case studies in Asia and Europe, European and Asian lecturers jointly establish new modules, study projects, internships, a mentoring programme and a curriculum evaluation system at the Asian partner universities.

These new elements are supported with coordination desks for university-industry cooperation as well as an internet platform and a virtual learning environment.

A dense network of partner universities is created for the advance of specialist know-how in supply chain management and postharvest technology in Asia and Europe.



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Objectives

Two specific objectives:

1. Dense linking-up of European and Asian partner universities and industry for the applied and problem-oriented education in supply chain management and postharvest technology in horticulture
2. Equipment of teaching staff and students at the Asian partner universities with the theoretical, social and practical know-how necessary for sustainable and quality-oriented food supply chain management, for analysing and solving complex problems thereof as well as for transferring knowledge to actors in these supply chains.

Main activities

Activity 1: Project coordination and management

Task 1-1: Project monitoring and coordination

Task 1-2: Kick-off workshop and annual meetings

Task 1-3: Project evaluation and follow-up

Activity 2: Sandwich programme (HRD)

Activity 3: Summer schools (HRD)

Activity 4: Module development (CD)

Activity 5: University-industry network operations (CD, ISD)

Task 5-1: Study projects (Problem-based Learning)

Task 5-2: Internship programme

Task 5-3: Mentoring programme

Task 5-4: University-industry network coordination desks

Activity 6: Curriculum evaluation system (ISD)

Activity 7: Internet platform, MOODLE and publications (ISD)

Status

ongoing

