

NBDS PROJECT Newsletter

“THE PROJECT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY DATABASE SYSTEM IN VIETNAM”

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INTRODUCTION OF CORE GROUPS FOR SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE AND LEGAL DOCUMENT

After the confirmation of efficiency in building core groups working model, NBDS project continues to establish two more groups, consisting of System Architecture and Legal document in April 2014.

One group is working on the development of system architecture of NBDS, based on the existing information on NBDS including the draft Master Scheme of NBDS and the draft External Specification document for the 1st generation of NBDS. Another duty is to write and complete the System Architecture of NBDS which will be used as a technical specification for the development of NBDS in the future.

Legal Document Core Group’s tasks are to review existing legal documents, thematic reports, references, and scientific bases regarding NBDS in order to write and complete the draft Legal document for the collaboration mechanism among all related organizations for sharing, utilizing, and managing data stored in NBDS. The document will then be ready for the submission to MONRE for the endorsement.





CORE GROUP ACTIVITIES

Based on their duties, core groups have been organizing technical meetings for developing their products.

These meetings and seminars are for each group, as well as inter-core groups with many helpful comments from participants. All core groups' activities are ongoing to finalize their products. The workshop on introduction of each product will be held after its completion.

Based on the helpful comments and contribution from participants of the meetings, a "Guideline for developing National Level indicators for biodiversity monitoring" was completed and submitted to BCA in April.

NBDS Project also introduced the final draft guideline for monitoring, assessment of biodiversity in coastal wetlands of Vietnam at the third workshop which was held on 13rd June, 2014. This guideline prepared by Local Consultant team attracted the attention of the participants, and obtained many additional comments. The final product will be published soon.

THE THIRD JOINT COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

The third Joint Coordinating Committee meeting was held on 16th May 2014. The meeting was successful with the participation of full sectors, particularly with the presence of Mr. Bui Cach Tuyen, Vice Minister of MONRE, JCC Chairman, Mr. Nguyen The Dong, Project Director, and Mr. Fimihiko OKIURA, Senior Representative of JICA Vietnam Office.





After opening speech, a progress report of the project was presented to the JCC and received additional comments from the participants.

There was also the report for the introduction of draft of Master Scheme including a road map of NBDS development, Guideline for developing National Level indicators for biodiversity monitoring and System Architecture of NBDS.

Upcoming Events

1. The third workshop for Technical Guideline for basic survey and monitoring on wetland ecosystem and the second XTNP Monitoring Survey training;
2. Terminal evaluation

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Greetings from JICA Experts



Hello everybody!

My name is Kashio Masakazu, in charge of Vegetation Survey and Biodiversity. Vietnam has been one of my favorite counties since I was in FAO because of her rich cultures, nature, and diligent people. Since joining the project in December 2013, I have been enjoying to learn new things and deepen my understanding on the secrets of nature. Let us work together for the NBDS Project!



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