Regional Seminar:

The Future of Smallholder Farming in Agribusiness

June 21st - 25th, 2011
Krabi, Thailand

A capacity building event and exchange for those interested in improving smallholder farming in Asia

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On behalf of
Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety
of the Federal Republic of Germany
The GIZ Approach to Partnership Farming:

As the effects of pollution and global climate change continue to place pressure on the world’s food supply, rapid increases in global population continue to increase demand. Now, more than ever, new modernized concepts of farm management are needed to confront these issues and ensure sufficient global food supplies.

Agriculture must produce more from less, and do so in an environmentally sustainable, efficient and socially just manner. The GIZ partnership farming approach provides a holistic and long-term sustainable solution, through investment in farm system management, capacity building, production modernization and strengthened linkages between production and market demand.

This four-day event offers a unique opportunity to those seeking to improve the performance of their organizations in promoting and assisting in the development of smallholder farming. Participants will gain insight from experienced GIZ experts from across South and Southeast Asia and will benefit from a valuable exchange of experiences through the joint resolution of participants’ unique challenges.

Event Take-Aways:

1. An understanding of the challenges current global trends pose to small-scale farmers, and how best to counteract them.
2. Knowledge of how to to successfully turn smallholder farmers into agricultural entrepreneurs
3. Enhanced capacities in agribusiness project analysis, planning, management and monitoring.
4. The ability to apply the concept of partnership farming into practice.

For more information and registration, please visit our website: www.thai-german-cooperation.info/giz_trainings_agribusiness.html

Who Should Attend?

Staff from...

- Private firms (esp. energy, agribusiness, and food sectors)
- Governmental agencies
- International development organizations
- NGOs, Non-profit organizations
- Consulting firms and other organizations concerned with agricultural development, SME promotion, and rural development

Event Specifics:

Date: June 21st - 25th, 2011
Venue: Ao Nang Villa Resort, Krabi, Thailand
www.aonangvilla.com
Maximum Participants: 25
Seminar Language: English
Cost: 1,500 Euro*

* Price includes accommodation, meals, coffee breaks and ground transportation between the Krabi Airport and the seminar facility. We reserve the right to cancel the event if registration is insufficient

How to Register:

Please either register on our website, or complete the attached registration form and send it to GIZ’s Bangkok Office, via:
E-mail: events@thai-german-cooperation.info
Fax: +66 2381 1054
Day I  June 21st  [ Start Time: 5:00pm ]  
• Registration  
• Participant Introduction  
• Keynote Address  

Day II  June 22nd  
• Introduction of global agribusiness and smallholder challenges  
• Agricultural risks and risk management strategies  
• Discussion on the concept of partnership farming  

Day III  June 23rd  
• Best practices from the field: India and the Philippines  
• Case studies and group work  

Day IV  June 24th  
• Implementation of Sustainable Palm Oil Production Project in Thailand: presentation, discussion, Q&A  
• Field visit to smallholders, plantations, middlemen, and mill (lunch in the field)  
• Evaluation and Conclusion  

Optional Boat Trip  
June 25th  [ 9:00am - 4:00pm ]  
Participants are welcome to participate in an optional boat trip to the beautiful Phi Phi Islands.  
Cost: 55 Euro, inclusive of boat, lunch and drinks  

Field Tours to GIZ partner palm oil plantations provide invaluable insight.
Once you have fully completed this registration form please submit it to GIZ’s Bangkok office via e-mail (events@thai-german-cooperation.info) or via fax (+66 2381 1054).

Registration forms will be accepted until space is no longer available, or until May 20th, 2011.

Cancellations permitted only before May 20th, 2011.

A confirmation will be sent to you within two business days. If not, please e-mail shawn.wilkinson@giz.de to ensure there is no miscommunication.