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Meeting 3

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- Participants: Alice Baudoin AB, Marc Benoît MB (visio), Cécile Bessou CB, Pierre-Marie Bosc PMB, Marc-Philippe Carron MPC, Margot Moulin MM (visio), Sylvain Rafflegeau SR, Aude Verwilghen AV, Julie Wohlfahrt JW (visio).
- Absents: Jean-Pierre Caliman JPC, Emmanuelle Cheyns EC, Marcel Djama MD, Laurène Feintrenie LF, Claude Jannot CJ, Patrice Levang PL, Alain Rival AR, Jean-Marc Roda JMR.

Agenda

Discussion

Decisions

points

27 Presentation of AB's internship results: literature Updates on SPOP webpage: choice of the Next steps September review on the production systems in Indonesia logo (9am-12pm)

AB's literature review outputs on the selection of study fields:

- Information on the diverse production systems in the diverse provinces and districts are very variable in content according to their origin: data on Riau province are more focused on agronomic and technical aspects, whereas those on Jambi province are socio-economic data. Data on West Kalimantan are scarce compared to the two first provinces; they mostly consist in scientific publications on ecological issues. Moreover, data on distinct districts within each province are currently not evenly available, and general conclusions on provinces based on a reduced number of districts must be considered with precaution. Extract of the report synthesis: "Because palm oil development on peat lands is a challenge both from an environmental and technical point of view, because it is the oldest and the most threatened by land grabbing dynamics, Riau should be chosen. There is a need to know what happens on the long term but also the important part of independent smallholders offer interesting cases to understand the strength and weaknesses of their production systems, the initiatives they may have developed and how they manage their plots. West Kalimantan is at the opposite. Because palm oil is more recent and local people very enthusiastic about it, because its forest has caught the interest of both NGOs and companies, West Kalimantan is a province to be closely looked at. It also presents peat lands and because the development is still mainly done by companies, improving their production capacity and their power should help the development of a stronger share of smallholders. Palm oil extension is now fast and companies have more experience compared to indigenous people, therefore they might represent a greater threat. The presence of the environmental conservation actors could also provide with an interesting support to evaluate RSPO companies and design more sustainable production systems. Jambi has been extensively studied and the findings could for example serve as a reference or source of comparison."
- According to these results, the objectives of the WP2 (focusing on the cropping system diversity notably accounting for the
 past development of oil palm in Indonesia), and further discussion on the access to the field; Riau and Jambi provinces are
 selected.
- Communication cell:
- SPOP web page: the logo created by Martine Duportal was selected; the web page will be opened in October with two versions: i) for computer and ii) for smartphones. The webpage is now open: http://spop.cirad.fr/. The alfresco share collaborative part of the web page is not yet operative.
- It is important to keep the webpage alive! Everyone from the project is invited to submit infos, reports, news to the webmaster (CB) to help update the webpage. Many thanks in advance.
- Steering committee: an invitation letter with SPOP concept note will be sent to the institutional representatives and scientific department directors of the diverse partners + institutional representatives of local partners. Members of this committee will be then informed about SPOP updates and potentially provide feedbacks on a yearly basis.
- Technical committee: conveying the people responsible for SPOP tasks and other key players
 - ⇒ Next meeting in December 2012 week 51

Documents to be uploaded on the web:

- Report of AB

Responsible people

SPOP coordinators