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ACIAR will provide an expanded level of funding in 2011–12 for both bilateral and multilateral programs and projects. Details of this increased level of allocations are outlined in the relevant sections of this AOP. The bilateral programs comprise all projects involving Australian and developing-country research institutions in which an Australian organisation is commissioned to lead the project. Multilateral projects are led by the IARCs.

Both bilateral and multilateral programs are operated by region and country, based on five regions—Papua New Guinea and Pacific island countries; Indonesia, East Timor and the Philippines; Mekong countries and China; South and West Asia; and Africa. This regional division corresponds to the new ACIAR management structure. The extension of ACIAR's research engagement in Africa represents a

significant program development for implementation in 2011–12 and beyond.

In all cases the priorities for R&D collaboration are presented at the country level, and project proposals are designed to address the partner-country national priorities. This joint approach and collaborative undertakings between Australian and developing-country scientists facilitate joint ownership, research harmonisation and collaborative management for results. This is in accordance with key principles in the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness (2005).

In 2011–12 ACIAR will further enhance its role and performance in this respect through continued formal and informal consultations with partner countries in both priority setting and project selection processes.



ACIAR country offices

Current country focus by research program

Country/region	Economics and social sciences cluster			Crops cluster				Natural resources management cluster			Livestock and fisheries cluster		
	ADP	ASEM	AGB	CIM	CSE	PC	HORT	LWR	SMCN	FST	AH	LPS	FIS
Papua New Guinea		●				●	●		●	●	●		●
Pacific island countries			●			●	●			●			●
Indonesia	●		●				●		●	●	●	●	●
Philippines		●	●	●			●		●		●		●
East Timor				●								●	●
Vietnam			●						●	●	●	●	●
Cambodia		●			●		●	●	●		●		
Lao PDR		●			●		●	●	●		●		●
Burma		●							●		●	●	●
China	●			●				●				●	
India	●			●	●			●					
Pakistan	●						●	●				●	
Bangladesh		●		●				●					
Iraq, Afghanistan and Bhutan				●				●					
Africa					●			●			●	●	

ADP = Agricultural Development Policy
 AH = Animal Health
 ASEM = Agricultural Systems Management
 AGB = Agribusiness
 CIM = Crop Improvement and Management
 CSE = Cropping Systems Economics
 FIS = Fisheries
 FST = Forestry
 HORT = Horticulture
 LPS = Livestock Production Systems
 LWR = Land and Water Resources
 PC = Pacific Crops
 SMCN = Soil Management and Crop Nutrition