

An assessment of data management and FAIR data principles across the ACIAR research portfolio



Key details

Location

Bangladesh, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Vietnam

Duration

Start Dec 2021 **End** Sep 2022

Budget AUD 250,000

Commissioned organisation

CABI

Partners

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grant-making processes.

CABI engaged with ACIAR Research Program Managers and its partners during 2022 to better understand and document data management and sharing challenges across a range of geographies and domains. Activities included a range of desk studies and analyses, interviews, surveys, partner engagement events and facilitated workshop.

Project outcomes

- Finalised investment selection criteria to determine which investments to analyse.
- Produced an agreed project plan with amendments as applicable.
- Delivered a risk register showing the key risk, the area to which a risk applies, details and implications, score based on impact and likelihood, risk management strategy, and responsible individual.
- Provided an evidence-based assessment of the state of FAIR implementation across ACIAR investments.
- Identifying common, and nuanced regional technical, cultural, and institutional barriers, and the necessary infrastructure, training, and documented capacity development needs.
- Understanding of the purpose, actionability and sustainability of a regional roadmap.
- Synthesized findings of regional assessment and feedback to ACIAR team.
- Produced Needs Assessment and End project reports.

Overview

This project aimed to support ACIAR to consider the barriers to data utility in its investment portfolio and look for opportunities to address them, including specific ways to improve its

- Articulated vision and recommendations for how to overcome barriers within the scope of ACIAR grant-making practices.



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