



## Welcome to the launch of Agroforestry Network

Agroforestry has lately received more attention as a sustainable land management practice in developing countries and as a powerful tool in climate change mitigation and poverty alleviation.

The Swedish NGO Vi Agroforestry (in Swedish: Vi-skogen) founded Agroforestry Network to make agroforestry more recognized among development aid stakeholders and to share knowledge with other agroforestry experts. The network brings together Swedish and international agroforestry experts from different organisations and institutions with the objective to influence the direction of Swedish aid.

The most vulnerable people living in poverty are found in rural areas and depend on natural resources. Supporting rural development should therefore be prioritized in development cooperation. More funding for agroforestry is well invested money. The purpose of the network is to be an arena for this advocacy, to communicate the work of our partners, and the results of our operations.

### You are important to us!

We consider you and your organisation as important stakeholders within the field of agroforestry. Therefore we invite you to join the network and to take part in the discussion, to make use of our knowledge and to share yours. As Agroforestry Network is newly founded, all partners have the chance to influence the agenda and the way the network operates.

### Practical information

On Tuesday November 22, 10 AM-2 PM, we will officially launch Agroforestry Network.

10:00-11:55 Together we network and discuss the purpose of Agroforestry Network and the way forward. Lunch will be served from 11:00.

12:00 Sven-Erik Bucht, the Swedish minister of Rural Affairs, will officially launch Agroforestry Network.

12:10-14:00 Partners and agroforestry experts present their work and research about how agroforestry can make a difference in development cooperation.

**Where:** Vi-skogen head quarters, Franzégatan 6, Stockholm (T-bana Stadshagen).

**RSVP:** By e-mailing [linus.karlsson@viskogen.se](mailto:linus.karlsson@viskogen.se) no later than November 18. Do you know of anyone else interested in joining us? Feel free to forward the invitation!

**Info:** This event will be in Swedish. To learn more about the initiative, visit [www.agroforestry-network.com](http://www.agroforestry-network.com) (site under development).

### Welcome!

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