

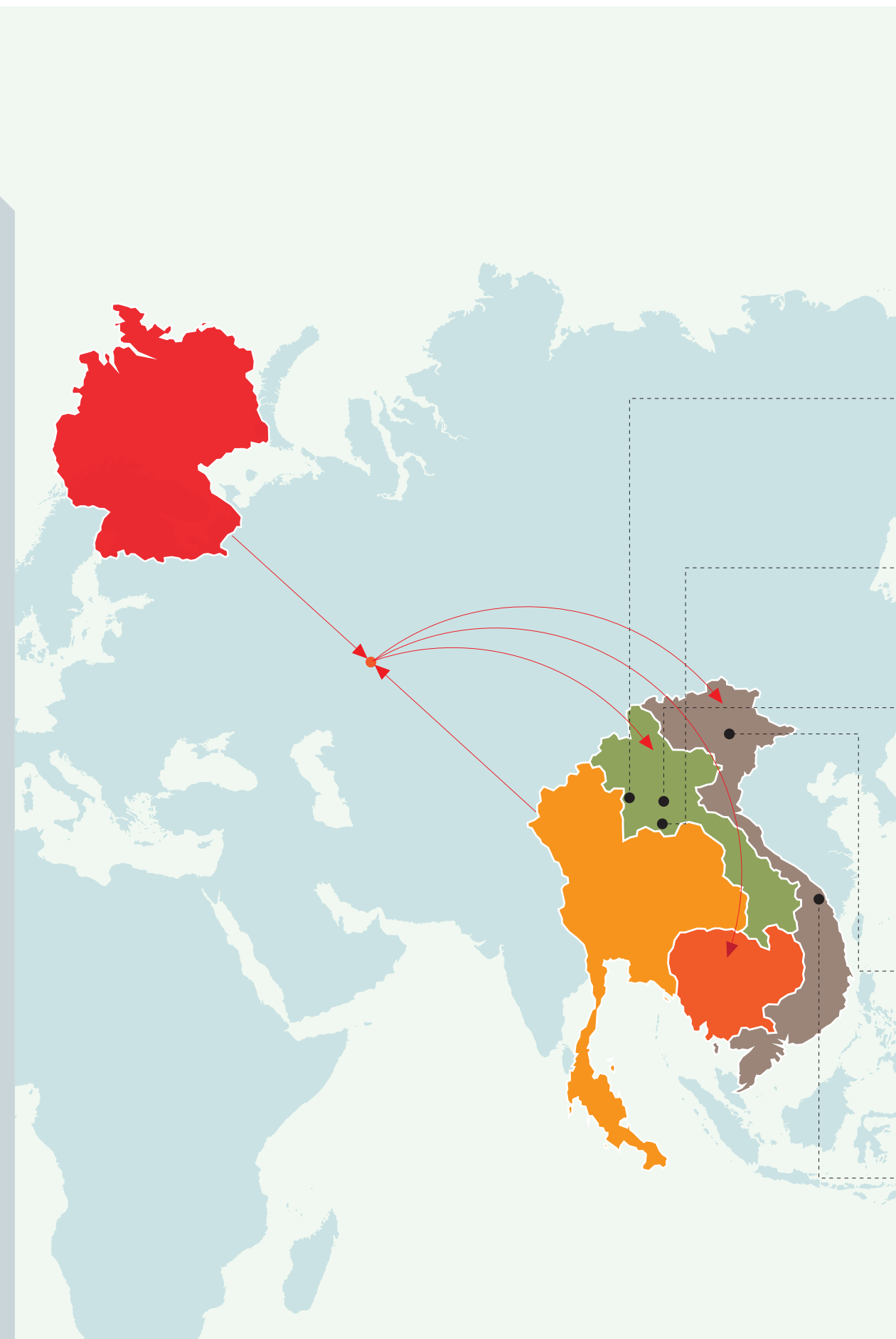
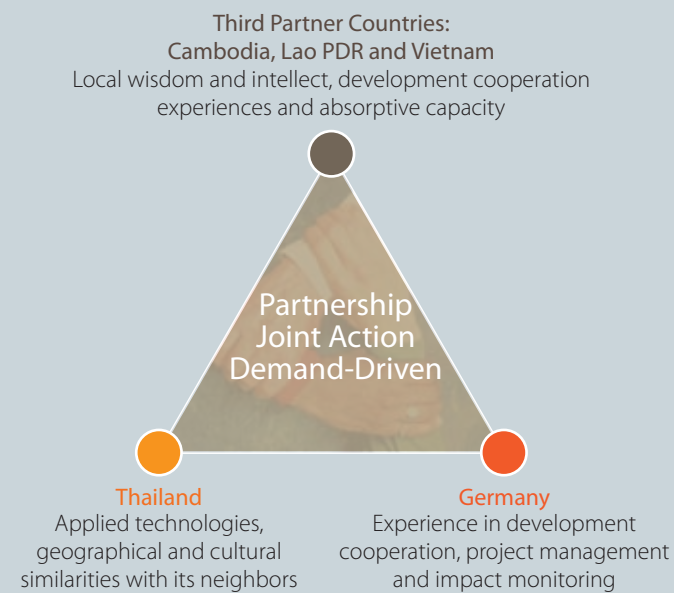
## Thai-German Trilateral Cooperation



For almost six decades Thailand and Germany had cooperated through bilateral technical cooperation. Graduating from recipient-donor relations, both countries started a new chapter of development cooperation in 2008. A new partnership for regional development with pooled resources from both countries has been established.

- The programme aims to foster development goals in the third partner countries by enhancing the capacity of partner institutions and sharing relevant expertise and technologies from Thailand and Germany as well as utilizing regional wisdom and intellect.
- Together with partner institutions, it implements small-scaled trilateral projects in Cambodia, Lao PDR and Vietnam. The focus areas are education, rural development and health.
- The cooperation is jointly funded by the Thailand International Development Cooperation Agency (TICA), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

## Strategic Partnership in Development Cooperation



## Projects under Implementation



**Lao PDR**  
**Paper Mulberry Supply Chain Project**  
**Goal:** Paper Mulberry value chain in Northern Thailand and Lao PDR is enhanced through the upgrading of the paper mulberry supply chain and the increase of Lao share in the value chain  
**Implementing Agencies:** Lao PDR - SME Promotion and Development Office (SMEPDO), Thailand - Industrial Promotion Centre Region 1, Chiang Mai Province (IPC1)  
**Duration:** May 2012 - March 2013



**Lao PDR**  
**Strengthening National GAP (Good Agricultural Practices) in Lao PDR Project**  
**Goal:** Functioning national GAP system is established in Lao PDR resulted in increased competitiveness of Lao farmers and small holders in fresh fruit and vegetable business by meeting the market demand of GAP certified produce  
**Implementing Agencies:** Lao PDR - Department of Agriculture (DOA), Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Thailand - Department of Agriculture (DOA), Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives  
**Duration:** May 2012 - April 2014



**Lao PDR**  
**Nam Xong Sub-River Basin Management Project**  
**Goal:** Water resources management in Nam Xong sub-river basin is improved through the strengthening and coordination of local authorities and community representatives as well as practical water protection regulations and technical solutions for the community  
**Implementing Agencies:** Lao PDR - Department of Water Resources (DWR), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Thailand - Department of Water Resources (DWR), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment  
**Duration:** March 2012 - February 2014



**Vietnam**  
**Advanced Technical Services for SME in Selected Industrial Sectors in Vietnam Project**  
**Goal:** Improved and qualified services in the areas of materials testing and failure analysis for the industry in Vietnam are extended to SMEs in the production areas of sugar mills, paper mills and automotive metallic parts producers, resulted in their increased productivity and competitiveness.  
**Implementing Agencies:** Vietnam - Centre of Materials and Failure Analysis (COMFA), Institute of Materials Science (IMS), Thailand - Material Properties Analysis and Development Center (MPAD), Thailand Institute of Scientific and Technological Research (TISTR).  
**Duration:** March 2010 - August 2012



**Vietnam**  
**Strengthening Cooperatives and SMEs in Central Vietnam Project**  
**Goal:** Performances and income of the cooperatives and SMEs as well as living condition of the people in Western Highland and Central Region of Vietnam is improved through the efficient service and support structure for cooperative and SMEs  
**Implementing Agencies:** Vietnam - Center for Support and Promotion of Cooperatives and SMEs in Western Highlands and Central Region of Vietnam, Vietnam Cooperative Alliance (VCA), Thailand - Cooperative Promotion Department (CPD), Ministry of Agricultural and Cooperatives (MoAC)  
**Duration:** April 2013 - March 2015

## What is Trilateral Cooperation?

"Trilateral Cooperation " or "Triangular Cooperation" is a partnership in development cooperation between:

- a traditional OECD-DAC donor;
- a provider of South-South Cooperation; and
- a beneficiary country.

All partners make specific and complementary contributions that create measurable value added for the beneficiary country.