

German Development Cooperation has initiated a programme to respond to climate change effects on natural resources in the southern Mekong Delta:

Management of coastal ecosystems relevant to mitigate and adapt to climate change related effects in five southern provinces in the Mekong Delta of Viet Nam

The present programme consists of the AusAID/GTZ cooperation in **Kien Giang** province and the German-financed GTZ projects in the provinces of **Bac Lieu** and **Soc Trang**. A planned programme extension will see the inclusion of **An Giang** and **Ca Mau** provinces as additional areas of AusAID/GTZ cooperation.



Integrated Coastal Management in the Southern Mekong Delta

Objective

Efficiently manage and protect coastal ecosystems for the mitigation and adaptation to environmental hazards related to climate change.

Subject areas covered by the programme

- Support a conducive legal and institutional framework for an Integrated Coastal Zone Management (Mekong Programme).
- Protection, management and rehabilitation of coastal ecosystem
- Piloting of dyke protection and rehabilitation
- Improvement of biodiversity, especially in protected areas
- Promotion of income opportunities for the local population

Advantages of the programme

- Focused sector strategy for Integrated Coastal Management
- Cost efficiency through pooling of resources
- Creation of synergies among the projects through improved knowledge management and mutual support in thematic and management aspects
- Strengthened donor cooperation, especially between GTZ and AusAID
- Improved and harmonized information for the stakeholders leads to better cooperation and networking within the sector





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