



In recent years, more than 20% of SLU's scientific publications have been co-authored with researchers based in low- or middle-income countries.

50-100 students conduct *Minor Field Studies* through SLU every year.



SLU has 20 international master programmes that attract students from all over the world.



## SLU Global

We promote, support and reflect SLU's work for global development, with a focus on low-income countries.

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# SLU's global contribution to Agenda 2030



SLU has an important role to play in the global implementation of Agenda 2030, through our mission to develop knowledge and capacity for sustainable management and use of the biological natural resources.

SLU's international engagement spans more than half a century and is aligned with Sweden's Policy for Global Development. We focus our contribution to Agenda 2030 on six areas that reflect the university's mission and strengths. Each area is linked to several of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

## Our prioritised areas are

- Climate change
- Food security
- Circular and biobased economy
- Biodiversity and ecosystems
- Global health
- Urban sustainability

## SLU's involvement

As one of the leading agricultural universities in the world, we continue to strengthen our work through international collaborations.

We actively contribute to institutional capacity development in collaboration with partner universities in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Capacity development plays a specific role in low-income countries, where national universities of high quality have a fundamental role for education and research, and for the development in society at large. Some examples of current collaborations:

### Agriculture for Food Security

AgriFoSe2030 aims to translate science into policy and practice. It is a transdisciplinary initiative that

*"SLU focuses its global collaboration on development of knowledge, education and innovation that can contribute to achieving the SDGs."* From SLU's policy on global implementation of Agenda 2030

contributes to sustainability of smallholder farming systems in Africa and Asia for improved food and nutrition security. A key for impact in this partnership with SEI, Lund University and the University of Gothenburg, has been its work with Theory of Change.

### Catalysing Ethiopia's forest sector development

Ethiopia is developing its forest sector to become sustainable and commercially viable. SLU supports the efforts of the Ethiopian actors together with the Swedish Forest Agency and Eco Innovation Foundation.

### Research capacity development cooperations

SLU is a partner in Sweden's bilateral research capacity development co-operations with Bolivia, Cambodia, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda. We contribute with training of a large number of PhD students, and support to strengthened institutional capacity, for example for quality assurance of research and post-graduate training.

### Agrinatura

SLU is currently leading the Agrinatura alliance of the major universities in Europe dealing with agricultural research and higher education for development.

### Leap4FNSSA

This long-term EU-AU research and innovation partnership aims to contribute to food and nutrition security and sustainable agriculture. SLU leads the work package on knowledge and information management, in this EU-funded programme.

### SIANI

The Swedish International Agricultural Network Initiative, by SEI, SLU and the University of Gothenburg, is a multi-sectorial network for exchange on global issues around food security, poverty reduction and environmental sustainability.

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