



# RURAL AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

## What we do

Research

Impact assessment

Monitoring and evaluation

Organisational development

Strategic planning

Project management

Capacity building

Participatory Research

Program Review

The majority of the world's poor live and work in rural environments. Many of these people rely on low input traditional agriculture as a primary source of income and are increasingly responsible for feeding the growing urban populations.

*As the climate changes and global populations grow, rural economies and environments are being put under increased pressure.*

This has flow-on effects on the wellbeing and livelihoods of those working in the rural areas.

## Our Capability

Our team is made up of experts who understand the complex social, economic and environmental processes that shape rural and agricultural development processes.

Sustineo has worked with a broad range of government, business and community organisations in this sector in the Australian and the Asia-Pacific region, as well as producing leading academic literature in the area.

Using tailored qualitative and quantitative methods we work collaboratively with project partners to identify the key drivers of problems, identify and fill gaps in knowledge, design customised interventions, and develop long-term sustainability strategies.

## Feature Projects

### Methodology for Assessing the Poverty-Reducing Impact of Australia's International Agricultural Research | Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research

Sustineo developed a livelihoods-based methodology for assessing poverty reduction for ACIAR funded research projects. The methodology was successful in investigating how knowledge generated by ACIAR investment led to sustained changes in policy and research.

### Evaluation of the Real Jobs Program | Indigenous Land Corporation

Sustineo evaluated an Indigenous employment programme targeted at land management, agriculture and tourism industries. Through a mixed-method approach Sustineo provided detailed recommendations on opportunities to increase program efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability, targeting the delivery of a programme that provided improved livelihoods for participants, their families and their communities.



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