

# Southern Vietnam Climate Leadership Camp (SVCLC)

- Camp place: An Giang, Vietnam
- Camp date: End of October, 2017
- Proposed by: CHANGE VN

## **BACKGROUND**



- Vietnam is defying the current global trend of reducing coal capacity and increasing renewable energy due to:
  - 1) Low level of awareness among Vietnamese public about coal power generation bad effects on public health and climate change;
  - 2) Lack of community role in tackling these challenges because renewable energy development is considered a sensitive issue to raise mass awareness.
- However, there's potential climate movement at provincial level through young and passionate people who are willing to solve the climate and energy crisis but just lack of encouragement and support.
- => Southern Vietnam Climate Leadership Camp (SVCLC) aims to build local climate & energy movement through youth empowerment.



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## **OBJECTIVES**







- ➤ To build capacity for a group of **35 local campaigners**, organizers, activists, artists, and journalists.
- ➤ To provide an opportunity for the local activists to **get inspiration and learn the tools and tactics** to strategically fight against coal expansion in their provinces.
- > To build a **network of campaigners** in the targeted provinces.
- ➤ To help the Vietnam Sustainable Energy Alliance (VSEA) introduce LEP¹ (Local Energy Planning program) community models to the participants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> LEP is a bottom-up project to reach sustainable development goals for the province. LEP introduces different models for sustainable energy uses, including biogas digesters for household and community levels, solar water heating, the drinking water system powered by solar, energy-efficient cook stoves, LED light-bulbs, and the compost fertilizer.

# **ACTIVITY DETAILS**



- ➤ Participants: 35 participants from Southern provinces of Vietnam (from Khanh Hoa to Ca Mau). Priority to people from areas affected by climate change, and/or coal plants.
- ➤ **Trainers:** 3 to 4 trainers from the South to build up the local network, 1 to 2 other trainers from Hanoi or other provinces and 1 trainer from 350.org East Asia.
- > The 4.5 days workshop will cover the following main topics:

# 1. <u>Basics on climate change and sustainable energy</u>:

- CHANGE-led climate movements
- Anti-coal campaigning and tactics for Vietnam
- Divestment, fossil-free campaign

#### 3. Local project workshop:

- One day visiting the LEP communities.
- Local innitiatives commitment and funding.

#### 2. Climate campaign skill set:

- ■Campaign strategies and planning
- ■Teamwork + Leadership skill
- ■Digital campaigning
- ■Storytelling for social change
- ■Partnership and engagement: How to build a strong community; how to work with local people; how to work with local government, sponsors, media, etc.



## PAST EXPERIENCE



Change used to organize East Asian Climate Leaders Camp in Ha Long in 2015 with +350.org. Please see the video clip

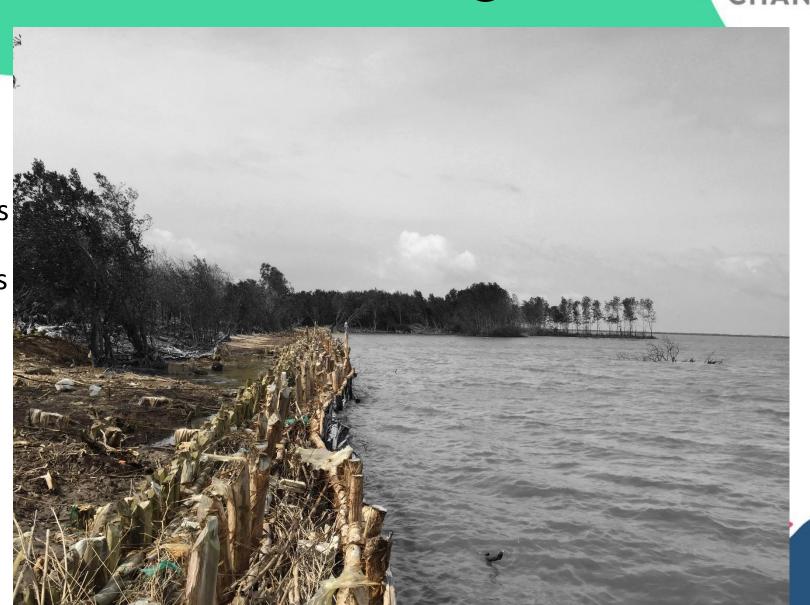




# Affected area in the Mekong Delta



 The massive loss of lands caused by sea-level rise.
 Loss of protective forests caused by coastal erosion. (Ca Mau)







Dams made of simple materials constructed by local communities to stop erosion. (Ca Mau)











Salinization forces clam farmers to create artificial and isolated ponds. (Ben Tre)



Land lost in clams raising area. (Ben Tre)



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