More productive and sustainable rice for Latin America

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The technological solution

The Intensive Rice Cultivation System (SICA) favors the development of the plant improving efficiency in the use of nutrients, light and water. It is based on the incorporation of biomass to the soil, transplanting young seedlings, in low density, placing one seedling per site, using irrigation (not flooding) and mechanical control of weeds.

Description

The project seeks to train technicians and producers linked to the rice sector in LAC on the System of Rice Intensification (SRI), to increase productivity and sustainability while reducing costs and inputs.

Results

The results are: Increase the yield of rice cultivation of the intervened plots by at least 1 ton/ha, reduce the use of agrochemicals used in rice cultivation by 10%, reduce by 30% the use of rice seed in the intervened areas and reduce the production costs of rice cultivation by 20%.

18
5 SRI validation sites established in Chile

-50 %
Water use

545

+1 ton/h

3

10 %
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ABOUT FONTAGRO

FONTAGRO is a unique cooperation mechanism for agricultural innovation in Latin America and the Caribbean (ALC) and Spain, that works through regional platforms. It is composed of 15 countries that have contributed capital exceeding 100 million dollars and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), which is its legal representative.

ORIGIN OF RESOURCES

- Counterpart contribution: 90,549,266
- FONTAGRO: 27,869,468
- IDB: 9,922,700
- Other agencies: 9,479,078

PARTICIPATION AND ROLE IN CONSORTIUMS SINCE 1998

- Number of projects approved: 193
- Approved total amount US$: 137.8 MILLONES
- Contribution from other agencies: 9.5 MILLONES
- Benefited countries: 32
- Generated technologies: 63
- New technologies for ALC: 15
- Technology of global relevance: 8

MEMBER COUNTRIES

- Argentina
- Bolivia
- Chile
- Colombia
- Costa Rica
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- Honduras
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Spain
- Uruguay
- Venezuela