

Forest Science Institute of Vietnam

Outline of presentation

- Forest situation in Vietnam
- Eucalyptus plantations in Vietnam
- Situation of gall wasp associated with eucalypt plantations in Vietnam
- Surveillance of gall wasp in Vietnam.
- Minimising impacts of gall wasp in Vietnam

Forest situation in Vietnam				
Year	Natural forest (1000 ha)	Forest plantation (1000 ha)	Total Area (1000 ha)	Coverage (%)
1943	14,000	0	14,000	43.0
1976	11,077	92	11,169	33.8
1980	10,486	422	10,608	32.1
1985	9,308	584	9,892	30.0
1990	8,430	745	9,175	27.2
2000	9,865	1,919	11,785	35.0
2003	10,005	2,090	12,095	36.1
2004	10,088	2,219	12,307	36.7
2010	10,300	2,900	13,200	39.1

Eucalyptus plantations in Vietnam

- In Vietnam, eucalypt plantations occupy about 400,000 ha of 2.9 million ha forest plantation and with another 50,000 ha eucalypts scattered in urban and home gardens.
- Eucalypt plantations have played an important role in economic and social development, especially in providing income for rural communities.

Eucalyptus plantations in Vietnam

- Eucalypt plantations have a short rotation of 5–7 years and thus return on investment is relatively rapid.
- The wood from forest plantations can be used for industrial materials and for the production of goods for the large international and domestic markets.

Situation of *L. invasa* associated with Eucalyptus species in Vietnam

- In Vietnam, *L. invasa* was first noticed in 2002, causing damage to eucalypt nurseries and young plantations in southern Vietnam.
- *L. invasa* can now be found where susceptible eucalypt clones/provenances/species are planted.

Situation of *L. invasa* associated with Eucalyptus species in Vietnam



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- At present, the commercial eucalypt plantations in Vietnam are reliant on clones: U6, PN2, PN14 of *E. urophylla* and less than six clones of *E. camaldulensis*. These clones are all seriously damaged by *L. invasa*.
- •Thus surveillance on distribution, damage assessment and minimising wasp impact have been implemented in whole country.

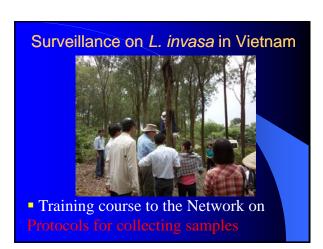
Surveillance on L. invasa in Vietnam

Data collection:

- Severity, incidence, crown damage index
- Life cycle and time of occurrence of pest
- Area of plantation affected, distribution
- Part of the tree affected
- Eucalypt species affected

Surveillance on L. invasa in Vietnam

- Forest health Network was set up within Forest Science Institute of Vietnam (FSIV) and provincial organisations and the private sector.
- Forest Protection Research Division (FPRD) belonging to FSIV is centre of the Network and umbrella of FSIV and MARD.
- The PPRD gives training courses and receives information on *L. invasa* from the Network.





Surveillance on L. invasa in Vietnam



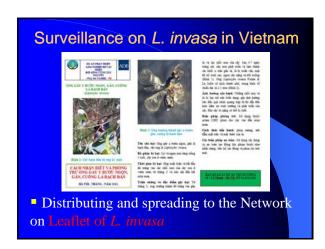
 Training course to the Network on incidence (1), severity (D) and crown damage index (CDI).

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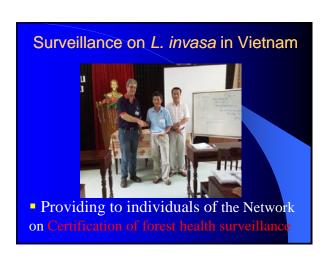


 Training course to the Network on using GPS for mapping area affected













Minimising impacts of *L. invasa* in Vietnam

- To be aware of the risk/danger/threats of *L. invasa* to eucalypts.
- Establishing genetic trials for screening susceptibility/resistance to *L. invasa* of clones/provenance/species in high risk areas.







Minimising impacts of *L. invasa* in Vietnam

- *15 species represented by a single provenance, four species, *C. henryi*, *C. citriodora*, *C. tessellaris*, and *E. cloeziana* were resistant to *L. invasa*
- Another 9 species showed low damage severity: E. pellita, E. microcorys, E. pilularis, E. robusta, E. coolabah, E. globulus, E. smithii, E. moluccana, and C. polycarpa.
- •Moderate damage was observed for one species, *E. saligna*.
- Severe damage was observed for *E. tereticornis*.

Thank you for your attention