# ATSAF e.V. - The Organization

ATSAF is the German scientific association dedicated to international agricultural and ecosystem research. The organization unites scientists and development experts from agricultural science, ecology, veterinary medicine, nutrition, forestry, fisheries, and other basic sciences with focus on

development oriented research for the Tropics, Subtropics and for transformation countries.

**ATSAF** welcomes everyone interested in these fields and subjects; students and young scientists are explicitly encouraged to join.

#### ATSAF's Goals

ATSAF supports scientists and experts engaged in multi- and interdisciplinary research to more effectively contribute to the international cooperation network

- towards worldwide food security and to combat poverty,
- towards sustainable increase in agricultural production and development in rural areas,
- towards the protection and sustainable use of natural resources and biodiversity.

Achieving these goals requires a concerted approach involving all research institutions.

# **ATSAF** regards itself as:

- a forum for the discussion and clarification of issues in the field of international agricultural and ecosystem research,
- a partner of organizations in science, economy, politics and society, who pursue similar goals.

#### ATSAF's Tasks

- Providing an information- and communication platform,
- Representing its members on national and international level,
- Acting as network hub for internationally oriented agricultural and ecosystem research,
- Fostering dialogue and collaboration with political bodies regarding the guiding principles of research policies and development cooperation.

## **ATSAF's Services**

- Information- and communication services (e-mail newsletter and website)
- Co-organization of the annual "Tropentag conference"
- Initiation and support of workshops and symposia on current topics
- Financial support for participation in international conferences
- Support for exchange visits between CGIAR Center members and German scientists to develop new collaborative projects.

# Become an ATSAF-member

Through your membership you support ATSAF to serve as your voice in internationally oriented agricultural and ecosystem research. The membership fee, which is tax deductible, is 50€ per annum, students pay 25€. Organizations can join ATSAF as supporting members.

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