Demographics and participants of WWViews Vietnam

In Vietnam, 111 citizens representing for 8 ethnic groups (Kinh, Dao, Hmong, Muong, Nung, Tay, Thai and Khmer) from 28 cities/provinces in the whole country participated in the WWViews consultation workshop. Among 111 participants, there were 14 ethnic minorities people accounting for 12.6%, which was almost the same as 14.3% of ethnic minorities population of the whole Vietnam (statistical data of 2009). There were 57.7% female and 42.3% male participants, accounting for higher female percentage in comparison to overall rate of 50.4% of the female population of Vietnam (statistical data of 2013).

The age of participants ranges from 19 to 75 years old. Figure 1 shows the distribution of participants ages in comparison to the population age distribution of Vietnam (statistical data of 2013). Generally the age of participants has similar age distribution of Vietnam population.

Figure 1. Age of WWViews participants in Vietnam

Figure 2 shows the distribution of the participants from 6 geographical zone of Vietnam. Majority of participants (90.1%) came from northern and central provinces/cities of Vietnam, especially the Red River Delta and North Midland and Mountainous Regions. This was mainly due to limited fund to cover travel cost for participants.

Figure 2. Geographical distribution of Vietnam population and WWViews participants
Majority of participants have graduate degree (40.5%) and high school graduation (36%) (Figure 1). Therefore, they are capable to absorb the content of booklet, which has been sent to them some days prior the workshop providing citizens the basic information for discussion, as well as the content of videos shown at the consultation workshop on the 6 June 2015.

Representative participation of public and private sectors was similar, accounting for 46.6% and 53.4% respectively. 76 participants are being employed mainly in agriculture, construction, training and education, governmental services. 20 people among 111 participants, are member of environmental organizations that accounted for 18%. However, only few of them are active members.