

Credit Access and its Impacts on Small Coffee Farmers in Climate Change Adaptation in Vietnam



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Introduction

 Vietnamese coffee sector has been of great significance to the global coffee market, contributing substantially to the socio-economic growth of Vietnam.







- Data collection:
- Time: from Feb-May 2022
- $\circ~$ Areas: Dak Lak & Lam Dong provinces in the CH
- o Data:
- Quantitative data (questionnaires): ≈ 300 coffee farmers
- Qualitative data (interview): 15-20 experts
- Objective 1:

$$\log\left(\frac{Prob(Take \ adaptation)}{Prob(No \ take \ adaptation)}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \ldots + \beta_h X_{ih} + \varepsilon_i$$

Explanatory variables (X) : contain h variables from
 * socio-demographic variables (e.g. age, gender, etc...)
 * institutional variable (credit access)

- The climate change has been seriously threatening the coffee sector, which calls Vietnam for taking actions to support smallholder farmers to adapt.
- For most coffee farmers in Vietnam, small-scale households with livelihoods primarily reliant on coffee-growing activities, expenses associated with the adaptation measures might be beyond their financial reach.

→ The impact of credit on the use of adaptation strategies (water-saving techniques and multi-cropping practices) in coffee production will be investigated in the Central Highlands (CH) of Vietnam.

Methodology

- Objective 1: To identify the significance level of credit access in how smallholder coffee farmers response to climate change adaptation
 Objective 2: To identify factors affecting credit access to coffee farmers
- The use of social, cultural, and psychological factors in studying farmers' adaptive response remains relatively limited (Dang et al. 2019).

→ Developing research is based on economic and psychological theories

- Dependent variables (log of odds ratio): indicate the probability of farmers' adaptive response to climate change with
 - Model 1: i = 1 (Adapt water-saving techniques) i = 0 (No adapt)
 - Model 2 i = 1 (Adapt multi-cropping practices) i = 0 (No adapt)

• Objective 2:

$$\log\left(\frac{\frac{Prob(Take\ credit)}}{Prob(No\ take\ credit)}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{j1} + \beta_2 X_{j2} + \ldots + \beta_h X_{jk} + \varepsilon_j$$

Dependent variables (log of odds ratio): indicate the probability of farmers taking credit
 j = 1 (Take credit)
 j = 0 (No take credit)

• Explanatory variables (X):

* psychological variables (e.g. perception of loan repayment and loan procedures, attitude over credit risk)

* socio-demographic variables (e.g. income, education)

Expected outcomes

- The drivers and barriers impacting the choice of Vietnamese coffee farmers' adaptation measures, especially the importance of credit access will be identified
- Factors hindering the accessibility of credit to coffee farmers in Vietnam will be revealed
- → Selecting variables is inspired by earlier studies, e.g. Dressa et al. (2009), Gebrehiwot & Van der Veen (2013), P.K Chauke et al. (2013), and Mutyasira et al. (2018).



Figure 3: Illustration of the relationship between objectives in the research

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Conclusions

- The research attempts to extend the knowledge in adaptation to climate change in Vietnam's coffee sector by:
 - Promoting the drivers and moderating the barriers of climate change adaptation process
 - Possible policy support to solve problems preventing coffee farmers from taking credit

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