

## **Project Update: August 2013**

From May to August 2013 the project implemented the following activities:

- Prepared 200 specimens of nine conifer species of the area.
- Finalised propagation experiments for six conifer species.
- Drafted a booklet on conifer conservation in Hoa Binh – Son La corridor. The book is being printed.

In September 2013, the project will organise a final workshop on conifer conservation in Moc Chau – Son La and disseminate project results (specimens, booklets, propagated materials) to relevant stakeholders.

The project has discovered some important issues, such as a new pine species for Vietnam. Please see the articles:

<http://www.nature.org.vn/en/news/projects/a-community-of-endangered-conifers-found-in-xuan-nha-nature-reserve/>

and

<http://www.nature.org.vn/en/news/projects/another-five-needle-pine-species-discovered-in-vietnam/>