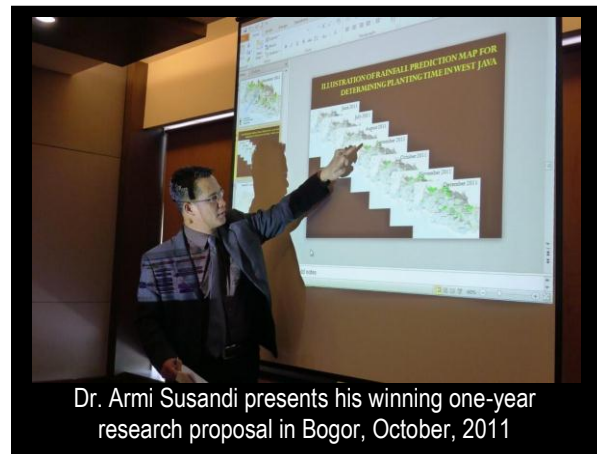


2011 Grant Competition on Agricultural Adaptation to Climate Change in Indonesia Congratulations to the One-Year Research Grant Winner!

In 2011 the John D. Rockefeller 3RD (JDR 3RD) Scholars Program of Winrock International held an open call for concepts for applied research to assess the impacts of climate change on smallholder agriculture in Indonesia. The objective of research is to inform decision-makers about policies and practices that can support smallholder adaptation. In August, three researchers were selected by a panel of local experts to receive planning grants of US \$2,000 to assemble multi-disciplinary research teams and prepare one-year proposals for submission.

Grant Competition Winner Selected

In October, the team led by Dr. Armi Susandi of the Institute of Technology in Bandung (ITB) was selected to carry out the proposed research over a one-year period. Dr. Susandi's proposal is entitled *Smart Climate Change Adaptation for Development of Rural Agriculture in Indonesia*. He and his team will use historical weather data to develop a model that will produce detailed rainfall predictions for West Java. Simultaneously, the team will use focus group sessions at the village level to determine how agricultural stakeholders in rural areas can use such information to assist in planning their croppings. The



Dr. Armi Susandi presents his winning one-year research proposal in Bogor, October, 2011

The team's research will strive to understand how climate information can be better packaged and delivered to smallholders, extension agents and agricultural input suppliers to increase smallholder productivity. They will prepare a series of policy briefs to inform decision-makers about program and policy strategies that will enable smallholder adaptation. The research will begin in December 2011.

Updates on the winning team and their research will be periodically posted to this site. Please check back for more information in early 2012.