

FAO welcomes new Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative for APAC

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Alue Dohong, an Indonesian environmental expert with extensive experience in sustainable development and peatland restoration, has been appointed Assistant Director-General and FAO Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific by FAO Director-General QU Dongyu.

Before joining FAO, Dohong served as Senior Advisor to Indonesia's Minister for Environment and Head of the Environment Control Agency since December 2024. He was previously Vice-Minister at the Ministry of Environment and Forestry from 2019 to 2024.

Dohong began his career in 1994 as a lecturer at the University of Palangka Raya, specializing in peatland restoration and environmental management. He also coordinated the Wetlands International-Indonesia Programme in Central Kalimantan and worked with the REDD+ Liaison Office in the region. From 2016 to 2019, he was Deputy Head for Construction, Operation, and Maintenance at Indonesia's Peatland Restoration Agency.

He holds a PhD in Environmental Management from the University of Queensland, Australia; a Master of Science from the University of Nottingham, UK; and a Bachelor of Science in Economic Development from Palangka Raya University, Indonesia.