

## Vietnamese agencies cooperate in cattle breeding with Nigerian partners

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The Vietnam Africa Economic Cooperation Alliance (VAECA) and The Institute for Africa and Middle East Studies (IAMES) have signed a cooperation agreement on livestock farming development in Nigeria with Nigeria Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (NVCCI) and Nigeria's EkitiKete Livestock Development Co., Ltd.

The Nigeria-Vietnam Investment Facilitation Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will provide a necessary foundation for further cooperation between the two countries in the future said Oye Akinsemoyin Chairman of NVCCI.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Le Phuoc Minh, Director of IAMES, said that he has high expectations for cooperation with African countries, especially in agriculture, adding that the partnership with Nigeria is one of the promising projects.

Dr. Le Quy Kha, who represents VAECA, said IAMES and VAECA and their livestock partners in Vietnam will immediately map out a specific action plan to carry out the agreement in Nigeria.

Specifically, Vietnamese agricultural and economic experts will be sent to Nigeria for implementing the cooperation project, Kha said.

The IAMES is a research agency under the Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences. Besides research tasks, it has engaged in technology transfer and economic cooperation activities between Vietnam and African and Middle Eastern countries.

The VAECA is an organisation of the Vietnam Union of Science and Technology Associations (VUSTA). It groups economic and technical experts specialising in many fields, with the aim of supporting economic development in African countries.