



# Communities & Livelihoods

The Research Institute for the Environment and Livelihoods (RIEL) conducts internationally recognised, impact-orientated environmental and livelihoods research. Our Communities and Livelihoods research is aimed at enhancing the wellbeing and sustainability of Indigenous and regional communities in Australia and near Asian-Pacific region.



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## Projects & Opportunities

Through collaboration and capacity building, RIEL strives to make a real-world impact and benefit the environment and communities with whom we engage.

Our research strengths include:

- Working with Indigenous communities to strengthen land and sea management outcomes;
- Engaging with Indigenous people and local communities to contribute to biodiversity conservation;
- Understanding how Indigenous communities will be affected by climate change;
- Researching the benefits that threatened species conservation can deliver to people globally;
- Supporting natural resource-based enterprises in aquaculture, fisheries and plant production in Indigenous communities;
- Rehabilitation of blue carbon habitats and livelihoods.
- Contributing to the sustainability of ecosystem services for the benefit of Indigenous communities and livelihoods in Australia and the Asia-Pacific.
- Implementing a world-first program for a savanna burning carbon industry in northern Australia;
- Developing digital technologies to improve livelihoods of local communities in the Asia-Pacific.

## RIEL Impact

### TRAINING

RIEL aims to develop confident, highly skilled and passionate scholars able to work cross-culturally in multidisciplinary research areas.

We offer:

- Domestic and international Higher Degree by Research (Master and PhD); and
- Undergraduate and Postgraduate coursework degree units.

### RESEARCH

Our researchers offer specialist knowledge and advice in the following areas:

- Restoration, rehabilitation and collaborative management of mangroves;
- Capacity building for natural resources management in terrestrial and marine environments;
- Participatory land and sea management;
- Gender, food security and rural livelihoods; and
- Natural resource-based enterprise development.

## Work with us

Pursue impact-orientated environmental and livelihoods research in northern Australia and the Asia-Pacific region. Contact RIEL today.

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