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I started out in search of ordinary things How much of a tree bends in the wind?

> -Jim Cain-Bill Callahan

To my grandmother Änne Althausen

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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

AIC	Akaike Information Criterion
AFLP	Amplified Length Polymorphism
AMOVA	Analysis of Molecular Variance
ANOVA	Analysis of Variance
Appr.	approximately
a. s. l.	above sea level
bp	Base Pair
С	Morisita-Horn Index
°C	Degree Celsius
CIFOR	Center for International Forestry Research
CO <sub>2</sub> eq	Carbondioxide equivalents, greenhouse gases measure (FAO)
D	Simpson Index
DBH	Diameter Breast Height
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
e.g.	for example
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
GLMM	Generalized Linear Mixed effect Model
HCV	High Conservation Value
i.e.	that means
I	Shannon Index
mM	mili Mol
min	minutes
Mha	Million hectare
РСоА	Principal Component Analysis
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
PES	Payment for Ecosystem Services
PPL	Percentage of Polymorphic Loci
RSPO	Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil
sec	seconds
SSR	Simple Sequence Repeat

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# **1. INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1. THREATS OF BIODIVERSITY

Forests currently cover 31 % of the global land area and are one of the most important ecosystems as they provide crucial ecosystem services. For instance, they produce oxygen and store more carbon than the entire atmosphere (FAO 2010). Tropical forests harbour two thirds of the terrestrial species, while covering only approximately 5 % of the global surface (Gardner et al. 2009). Additionally, on a landscape scale, scattered trees play an important role in ecosystem functioning and biodiversity of a wide range of plant and animal groups in terrestrial ecosystems (Manning et al. 2006; Kettle 2014).

Human land-use often affect adversely the natural distribution and habitat conditions of plants and animals. Between 1700 and 2000, 39 % of the global ice-free land was transformed by human activities (Ellis et al. 2010). The main conversion of forest in temperate regions happened already before 1700 and is until now in stagnation. On the contrary, tropical regions experience transformation to used-land from 1900 onwards with an increasing rate at the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century (Ellis et al. 2010). Most tropical regions are on one side categorized as biodiversity hotspots and on the other side have an above-average human population growth rate (Cincotta et al. 2000). Biodiversity hotspots are characterized by, a high number of endemic species, high species richness and increased habitat loss (Myers 1988). Furthermore, in tropical regions (Africa, Asia and Latin America) deforestation occurred for the last three decades at high rates, due to the expansion of agricultural used land, logging and mining activities (Lambin et al. 2003; FAO 2010). Agricultural expansion alone caused the deforestation of intact (55 %) and disturbed (28 %) forests across the tropics within two decades (1980-2000) (Gibbs et al. 2010). Consequently, the most diverse ecosystems are under increasing danger of biodiversity degradation and species extinction, due to human expansion (Cincotta et al. 2000; Brooks et al. 2006; Sloan et al. 2014).

FAO (2010) reported a net forest loss in the years from 2000 to 2010 between 4 million (maximum) to 600 000 (minimum) hectares per year depending on the region. Other factors like climate change, pollution and invasive species represent an additional threat to biodiversity in temperate (Lindner et al. 2010) and tropical regions (Sodhi & Brook 2006). Furthermore, human activities are enhancing these factors. For instance, agriculture and deforestation, combined, are responsible for 24 % of greenhouse gas emissions worldwide

(COP21 2015) which is associated with climate change (FAO 2010). Deforestation is not only responsible for habitat and biodiversity loss, but also influences climatic factors, like local precipitation rate, which again influences biodiversity (Werth & Avissar 2005; Stork et al. 2009). Synergistic interactions of biodiversity change drivers, such as land-use change and climate change, become irrelevant if one driver caused severe changes, for example the land-use change from a forest to a monoculture (Sala et al. 2000). For instance, species in the northern and southern hemisphere respond to climate change by shifting their distribution range to habitats with more fitting conditions (Parmesan & Yohe 2003), but land-use change causes an alteration of the processes of the whole ecosystem (Laliberté & Tylianakis 2012). Hence, habitat loss effects various species at different trophic levels in different time and spatial dimensions (Schulze et al. 2004; Tscharntke et al. 2005; Ewers & Didham 2006; Krauss et al. 2010).

Theoretically, consequences of habitat loss at the intraspecific diversity level are the loss of genetic diversity due to genetic drift, inbreeding and isolation by distance for small population sizes, but empirical studies do not always proof this theory (Kramer et al. 2008; Lesser et al. 2013; Sampson et al. 2014). The genetic consequences on habitat loss and population fragmentation depend on the reproduction system, dispersal strategy, dispersal range on the investigated plant, which differs highly among species (Hamrick et. al. 1979; Hamrick et al. 1992; Ewers & Didham 2006; Sebbenn et al. 2008). Consequently, in tropical forests land-use change is expected to have higher relevance than climate change as a threat for biodiversity (Chapin III et al. 2000; Sala et al. 2000) and is the highest concern for tropical forest biodiversity conservation (Sodhi et al. 2004; Koh & Sodhi 2010; Gibson et al. 2011).

Managing and conserving natural ecosystems are necessary (Sloan et al. 2014). Unfavourably, tropical forest management has various definitions and goals, e.g. timber production, management of ecosystem processes or of species and communities, which can result in contradictory techniques (Simberloff 1999). Suggestions for sustainable management and monitoring programs of particular forest areas are mainly according to data about species richness, particular indicator species and ecosystem processes (Lindenmayer 1999; Noss 1999; Simberloff 1999; Fridman 2000; Rametsteiner & Simula 2003; Wilson et al. 2005), and have not always been sufficient and successful (Simberloff 1999). Economic and social aspects are increasing the complexity, hence difficulty, of sustainable management of tropical forests (Wilcove et al. 2013). Pearce et al. (2003) compare the two long term management

approaches sustainable timber management and sustainable forest management in economic and ecological goals. Their analysis showed that sustainable forest management could only be successful if it is able to compete financially with sustainable timber management and other conventional land-use systems. For that, they suggest to determine universally usable values of biodiversity and ecosystem processes of an ecosystem and introduce compensations for the affected people.

#### **1.2.** GENETIC DIVERSITY IN PLANT CONSERVATION

The Section "Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture" of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) define threats on genetic diversity such as the low commercially use varieties of crops and livestock, increasing population pressure, loss of natural habitats and environmental degradation and climate change (FAO 2015a).

Lande (1988) highlighted the importance of genetic and demographic information of species for its conservation management. Population genetic analyses can reveal e.g. gene flow limitations, isolated populations and dispersal range, which has great implications on the survival of species, especially endangered or rare ones. Considering the species genetic information's concerning landscape management can help to maintain and even increase its viability (Li & Jin 2007; Bozzano et al. 2014; Thomas et al. 2014). Species have to adapt to the environmental changes, thus, investigating their effect on genetic resources, provides information about the survival probabilities and conservation requirements of the species (Sthultz et al. 2009; Leimu et al. 2010). Genetic diversity of plants is not only important for the survival of the plant itself, but also influences other levels of organization within the ecosystem (Bailey et al. 2009).

Conducted research in temperate and boreal zones based on single species, is mainly concentrating on their potential to adapt to environmental changes like climate change or occurring pests. The investigated species either have an economic value, e.g. certain species of the genera *Fagus* and *Quercus* (Paludan-Müller et al. 1999; Muir et al. 2004; Vornam et al. 2011; Seifert et al. 2012; Müller et al. 2015), or are a rare and endangered species, e.g. certain species of the genus *Pinus* (Jorgensen & Hamrick 1997; Bower 2008; Lesser et al. 2013). In tropical regions ongoing deforestation and the resulting fragmentation of remaining habitats can cause a reduced gene flow, which may impact the genetic population structure of plant species (Manel et al. 2003), and increase their extinction probability (Lira et al. 2003).

Commonly important timber tree species are investigated regarding their genetic diversity consequences of fragmentation (Wickneswari & Cannon 2011).

Depending on the gene flow of the species, the fragmentation of populations can have currently no effect (Torre et al. 2008; Finger et al. 2012). A reason for that can be, that the disturbance and habitat loss are younger than the investigated individuals (Collevatti et al. 2001; Farwig et al. 2007; Fuchs & Hamrick 2010) or there are no gene flow limitations for the species (Ganzhorn et al. 2015). For many species, the consequences of habitat fragmentation are reduced gene flow followed by an alteration of genetic structure (Hamilton 1999; Honnay & Jacquemyn 2007; da Silva et al. 2008). For instance, mature individuals of the tropical *Prunus africana* showed high genetic diversity in remaining forest patches, but seedling showed reduced genetic diversity (Farwig et al. 2007). On the contrary, the wind-pollinated *Castanopsis sclerophylla* showed an increase in pollen flow rate after forest fragmentation due to the removal of trees acting as a barrier (Wang et al. 2012). The results of the two studies with differences in the life history traits of the species, sampling design, age of individual and disturbance, show the dependency of genetic diversity on these factors, which are necessary to consider in the interpretation of results.

In regions with high deforestation and land-use change rates like Indonesia, areas with natural vegetation are declining daily. The increasing area of secondary forest and the attempt of remaining connectivity among remaining natural habitats, adds as a problem for predicting parameters to assess habitats of conservational value (HCV) (RSPO 2013). Barlow et al. (2007) compared 15 taxa in species richness, species turnover similarity between primary and secondary forest habitats. Genetic diversity, as a parameter, was not included although it provides valuable information on the impact of land-use change. The high number of factors influencing the genetic structure of plants combined with political, social and traditions in tropical regions increase the difficulties of maintaining tropical forests ecosystem services and predicting the quality of areas (Sodhi et al. 2004; Kettle 2014). Laurance et al. (2012) showed that protected areas are highly depending on the surrounding habitat and their connectivity to each other. It is necessary to consider the specific characteristics of protected areas to increase the importance of the factors population genetics can provide information about, but do not include genetic diversity as a parameter.

The following research areas consider genetic diversity as one level within biodiversity and an influenced and influencing parameter within an ecosystem, mainly conducted in non-tropical regions. Compared to population genetics, which combines phenotypic parameters with genetic data, landscape genetics considers ecological factors increasing or decreasing connectivity of populations of one species, hence is a more integrated approach. Landscape genetic studies consider landscape features as factors influencing genetic structure of a given organism (Holderegger & Wagner 2008). Identifying environmental barriers and possible connectivity limitations in a fragmented landscape can support predictions of future distribution range and conservation management (Manel et al. 2003; Storfer et al. 2007; Balkenhol et al. 2015), whereas this approach is until now, more used in animal research (Dyer 2015). Eckert & Dyer (2012) suggest evaluating the fitness of a landscape, by combining geographical information of the distribution range with genotypic and phenotypic information of a species to evaluate more precisely its fitness status.

Interactions between the intraspecific diversity of one species and other species in the community are investigated in community genetics (Agrawal 2003). For instance, the genetic variation of a plant species in association with insect pests or insect pollinators is investigated to understand better community dynamics to conserve the insect species (Neuhauser et al. 2003; Wimp et al. 2005). In Vellend (2005) the simulation results show that locality size and immigration rate influence both genetic and species diversity. Furthermore, moderate environmental heterogeneity can lead to a positive genetic-species diversity correlation (Vellend 2005; Vellend & Geber 2005). Empirical studies using experimental designs test the correlation of genetic and species diversity interacting with ecological processes (Hughes et al. 2008), e.g. invasiveness (Vellend et al. 2009) and soil resources (Avolio & Smith 2013).

Studies investigating genetic diversity of plants and plant species diversity showed that both diversities are influenced by ecological processes but are not necessarily correlated. Empirical studies at non-controlled conditions found mostly no significant association between genetic and species diversity (Wehenkel et al. 2009; Taberlet et al. 2012). The mean genetic diversity of several tree species in Germany did not correlate with the degree of disturbance of the habitat (Wehenkel et al. 2006). In contrast, results by He et al. (2008) suggested the positive correlation between genetic and species diversity, showing one diversity level could be a predictor for the other.

Recently, Hand et al. (2015) introduced landscape community genomics, as a possibility to combine abiotic and biotic factors influencing evolutionary processes, based on genome wide neutral and adaptive variation analysis, which is able to provide more information with one molecular method.

In general, the mentioned research areas, correlating abiotic, biotic and ecological with the genetic diversity of a species never include the genetic diversity of several species as a community in one ecosystem and the change due to different land-use systems. Kahilainen and colleagues (2014) recommend the cautious interpretation of species and genetic diversity correlation for conservation management, due to the high variation in the results, depending on the different investigated ecosystems. However, investigations regarding changes in the genetic structure of tropical taxa due to fragmentation and habitat loss mainly rely on the information of single species compared in natural and unnatural habitats (Nason & Hamrick 1997; Torre et al. 2008). Kashimshetty et al. (2015) simulated different outcomes in population structure of different species after fragmentation events in tropical lowland rainforests. The results showed the high dependency on pollen dispersal, forest fragment size, logging frequency and life history of a species. Thus, a generalization about conserving genetic resources of a plant community based on one is not reliable. In regions of highly fragmented landscapes like the tropics, the genetic information about the whole plant community can improve the sustainable management of remaining natural vegetation to conserve the ecosystem services of a forest.

#### 1.3. LAND-USE CHANGE IN INDONESIA

Two biodiversity hotspots in the tropics belong to Indonesia: Sunda-land (Sumatra, Java and Kalimantan) and Wallacea (remaining Indonesian islands) (Myers et al. 2000). In Indonesia the area of forest cover loss nearly quadrupled in 11 years (Figure 1, Margono et al. 2014). Hansen et al. (2013) estimated the globally highest forest loss with 2 Mha forest loss in the years 2011 to 2012 for Indonesia. The different results in these two studies are caused by the different methodology and the definition for forest (percentage of canopy cover). Furthermore, the naturalness of remaining areas of natural vegetation (canopy cover of the forest) differs within and among the Indonesian islands, e.g. 0-5 % in Java, 5-10 % in Sumatra and 10-100 % in Kalimantan (Sloan et al. 2014). 77.4 Mha (34.6 %) of the remaining forest in Kalimantan, Sumatra, Sulawesi, Moluccas and Papua are located within areas of industrial use concessions

(Abood et al. 2015). Only 13 % of protected areas in Indonesia are covered with forest (FAO 2014). Brun et al. (2015) showed that for protected areas in Indonesia, managed for biodiversity conservation, from 2000 onwards the pressure of logging concession are increasing and effectiveness can only be guaranteed with more strict categories than currently applied.

Since the 1970's the two crop species oil palm (*Elaeis guineensis* Jacq.) and rubber (*Hevea brasiliensis* (Willd. ex A. Juss.) Müll. Arg.) evolved into the major crop species planted in monoculture (both species) and agroforest (rubber) in Sumatra (Noordwijk et al. 2008; Villamor et al. 2013).

*E. guineensis* is currently considered as the major threat to biodiversity in Southeast Asia (Wilcove & Koh 2010). *E. guineensis* cultivation is intensively managed due to the absence of other woody species in the monoculture and, the frequent use of fertilizer and herbicides (Agamuthu & Broughton 1985; Villamor et al. 2013). *E. guineensis* was introduced in Indonesia in the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. In the last 25 years the oil palm production area in Indonesia increased from 673 000 to 7 Mha and since 2008 the country is the largest producer of palm oil worldwide (FAO 2014). Furthermore, Indonesia intends to double the production of palm oil from 2010 to 2020 (Koh & Ghazoul 2010). Albeit, Indonesia already has currently the globally highest  $CO_2$  eq emissions from the agricultural sector (FAO 2014).

*H. brasiliensis* is another important non-native crop tree species in Indonesia, where it was introduced around 1900. Rubber was primarily produced in an agroforestry system, called 'jungle rubber', which is an integrated complex agricultural system within secondary forest vegetation and can be seen as more sustainable rubber production (Michon & Foresta 1995; Gouyon et al. 1993). Due to increasing human population density shifting cultivation was replaced by jungle rubber. However, after planting rubber seedlings at already slashed and burned sites, the vegetation could grow again to an intermediate and sustainable land-use system (Gouyon et al. 1993; Michon & de Foresta 1995). In jungle rubber, the rubber production is lower than in a monoculture, which forces farmers to reduce the density of non-rubber species and disqualifies the system as a biodiversity refuge (Lawrence 1996).

Between 1993-2005 rubber production was shifted from agroforest to monoculture (Villamor et al. 2013). The rubber producing area increased from 1.9 Mha in 1990 to 3.6 Mha in 2013 (FAO 2014). Rubber cultivated in monoculture is more an intensive land-use system than

jungle rubber, but less than oil palm due to the occurrence of shrub species in the plantations (Villamor et al. 2013).

Consequences of land-use change are complex (Lambin et al. 2003). Land-use change and the agricultural intensification in Indonesia have a global effect on biodiversity and human welfare with an extent which can only be estimated (Foley et al. 2005; Newbold et al. 2015). Laurance et al. (2014) anticipate the high pressure for tropical ecosystems due to the high pace and magnitude of expansion of agriculture with severe impacts for environment and human welfare in the future. Local land-use change consequences are habitat loss and fragmentation and result in the decline of species diversity and change of plant species composition (Laumonier 1997; Turner 1999; Koh & Wilcove 2008; Laumonier et al. 2010). Environmental change of natural habitats increases the proportion of invasive species. Fragmentation and degradation of habitats leads to mosaic landscapes with habitats of changing suitability, which differs for each taxa (Koh & Ghazoul 2010). Within the remnant forest patches this can lead to species isolation and increased edge effects (Murcia 1995; Ewers et al. 2007). Pollination networks, important for gene flow in plants, are altered by the habitat disturbance and the connectivity among patches (Hadley & Betts 2012; Breed et al. 2015). The habitat loss leads to the reduction of population size of a species, which can result into local extinction due to reduced fitness caused by inbreeding, genetic drift and isolation (Lande 1988; Oostermeijer et al. 2003). Environmental change of natural ecosystems increases the proportion of invasive species (Didham et al. 2007). Land-use change in Indonesia causes the alteration of ecosystem functioning in plants and other organisms of various trophic levels (Steffan-Dewenter et al. 2007; Laliberté et al. 2010; Aerts & Honnay 2011; Laliberté & Tylianakis 2012; Barnes et al. 2014), alteration of soil (Hassler et al. 2015; Allen et al. 2015; Guillaume et al. 2015) and climatic (Sala et al. 2000) conditions. With high agricultural intensity, the increased use of fertilizer, herbicides and insecticides (Tilman et al. 2002) leads to the degradation of ecosystems and diversity (Fitzherbert et al. 2008). Possible synergistic effects of land-use change drivers complicate the identification of indicators leading to vulnerability and extinction but also the resilience of tropical species (Stork et al. 2009)



Figure 1: Annual forest cover loss in Indonesia from the year 2000 to 2012. (Source: Margono et al. 2014)

#### **1.4. PROJECT FRAMEWORK**

This project is part of the interdisciplinary collaboration project 'EFForTS' ("Ecological and Socioeconomic Functions of Tropical Lowland Rainforest Transformation Systems", CRC 990) in Sumatra Indonesia (Drescher et al. 2016). Sumatra experienced the highest deforestation rate of Indonesian islands and has two areas of extreme deforestation, the provinces Riau and Jambi (Miettinen et al. 2011). The legally protected forest accounts for only 29 % of the total remaining forest in Sumatra and the remaining patches with high biodiversity value are endangered due to the agricultural expansion and illegal logging (Laumonier et al. 2010). The natural vegetation in Jambi province, tropical lowland Dipterocarpaceae-rainforest (< 150 m a. s. l.) (Laumonier 1997; Laumonier et al. 2010) is degraded and critically endangered (Figure 2). In Jambi province forest cover of 75 % in 1973 decreased to 30 % in 2005, the percentage of agroforestry with rubber was at 11 %, monocultures increased from 3-40 % (Ekadinata & Vincent 2011). Thus, conservation management to protect the natural lowland rainforest are not adequate and need to be improved in Sumatra (Laumonier et al. 2010). The aim of the long-term research project 'EFForTS' is to investigate the consequences of land-use change and intensification on biodiversity, environmental processes and human welfare in Jambi Province. For that three land-use system jungle rubber, oil palm plantation and rubber plantation are compared with old growth forest in two regions in Jambi province (Figure 3).

As described above, each system differs in the agricultural intensity: jungle rubber < rubber plantation < oil palm plantation.

The present study is investigating the change of genetic diversity in dominant plant species due to land-use change. Genetic diversity is a fundamental aspect of biodiversity and can help to understand processes influencing trophic and species interactions within the ecosystem dynamics (Whitham et al. 2006) and provide resources for adaptation to environmental changes (Whitham et al. 2008). Genetic diversity of dominant or keystone species have an influence not only at the population level, but also at the ecosystem level (Whitham et al. 2003; Hughes et al. 2008; Crawford & Rudgers 2013). Lowe et al. (2015) pointed out three major aspects one has to consider investigating the genetic consequences of forest fragmentation 1. only individuals younger than the disturbance event will give sufficient information 2. the response is depending reproduction system and life history trait of each species and 3. disturbance type, natural vegetation and scale are influencing the response. All three points were considered in either sampling or analysis method. 1. by determining dominant species independently on each plot, due to the natural heterogeneity of each plot the different age structures in trees were taken into account. 2. life form and available history traits were considered in the calculations. 3. jungle rubber, rubber plantation and oil palm plantation present three levels of agricultural intensity, all transformed from natural lowland rainforest.

In the present study, AFLP markers (Amplified Fragment Length Polymorphism) were used which are commonly used for genetic diversity investigations (Vos et al. 1995; Meudt 2007). The combination of PCR technology and restriction enzymes produces from the total genome DNA, different fragments, which number and size depend on the individual species. Prior knowledge about the species DNA sequence is not necessary. Fragments of the same size can origin in different regions of the DNA, thus, this method is called anonymous. This is a major advantage of the method especially for polyploid species (Després et al. 2003; Goldman et al. 2004) and tropical species, for which taxonomic identification are often ambiguous (Mace et al. 1999; Kremer et al. 2005). Furthermore, considering the expected high number of species in this study, the advantage of the anonymous marker AFLP was preferred to the more polymorphic and codominant marker Simple Sequence Repeat (SSR). A disadvantage of the AFLP method is the dominance of the fragments, homozygote and heterozygote individuals cannot be distinguished. Analyses are based on presence and absence of a fragment only

(Nybom 2004; Bonin et al. 2007). Albeit, Mariette et al. (2002) simulated that the whole genome approach and the high number of loci, can compensate the low information of each loci. Further, Whitlock (2014) reviewed that correlations between ecological responses and genetic diversity are depending on the marker type (neutral or adaptive). Using the whole genome marker AFLP (Amplified Fragment Length Polymorphism) in this study avoid the conflict between the different assumptions of processes underlying neutral and adaptive marker investigations.

Species diversity and genetic diversity are expected to respond to parallel land-use change processes (Vellend & Geber 2005). A positive correlation between genetic and species diversity might not be always the case, which can lead to contradictory conservation plans for the two levels of biodiversity (Kahilainen et al. 2014). The genetic diversity was correlated with the diversity of other species (plants, mycorrhiza and prokaryotes) to obtain a better understanding about responses and dynamics as a response to land-use change.

On one side, as species in more heterogeneous environments, like a tropical rainforest, have higher genetic diversity (Frankel 1995), it is expected, that woody species show higher genetic diversity than the non-woody species in converted habitats. On the other side, tree species, which are the dominant life form in tropical forests and have a large distribution range with a low density, are expected to be more affected by habitat fragmentation (Young et al. 1996; Jennings et al. 2001).

Genetic diversity of plants is not often included in conservation management plans, mainly due to the workload and financial limitations in biodiversity conservation research. Differences in gene flow characteristics among species cause the unreliability of conservational management suggestions for a plant community based on the genetic information of one or few species.

The combination of the anonymous AFLP marker and the applied sampling strategy in this study, provide a relatively cheap and very flexible approach of genetic diversity assessments of the dominant plant community. This study introduces a universal applicable method to estimate differences in genetic diversity and genetic differentiation between plant communities of different locations and land-use systems. These results can support the identification of habitats of high conservational value (HCV) and conservation management of threatened landscapes.



Figure 2: Forest loss in Sumatra between 1985 and 2007. Blue circle presents Jambi province. Red areas with more than 70 %, orange 50-70 %, yellow 40-50 %, light green 20-40 % and dark green less than 20 % forest loss, beige no forest. Source: Laumonier 2010 (Fig.5, modified).



Figure 3: The four investigated land-use systems: old growth forest (A), jungle rubber (B), oil palm plantation (C), rubber plantation (D)

# **1.5. O**BJECTIVES AND HYPOTHESIS

#### The objectives of the present study are:

- to investigate the genetic diversity of ten dominant plant species in each plot and landuse system
- to assess genetic differentiation within and among the land-use systems
- to assess the genetic diversity differences among different life forms
- to find correlation between genetic diversity and other diversity parameter
- to compare fine-scale genetic structure of frequent species with a community-based assessment

### The following hypotheses were tested:

- The spectrum of plant species with the highest biomass ("dominant plant species") does not overlap between different land-use systems; different plant species dominate the four land-use systems and differs partially among plots, both within and between the two regions.
- The overall intraspecific diversities of dominant plant species decline from old growth tropical lowland rainforest to rubber and oil palm plantations and differ significantly between the plots within and among regions.
- 3. The genetic differentiation of the dominant plant community varies with life form and species-specific life history traits.

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# **2.1.** PLANT MATERIAL

# 2.1.1. STUDY SITES AND PLANT COLLECTION

As part of the EFForTS-project four land-use systems in Jambi Province, Sumatra, were investigated: old-growth forest, jungle rubber, rubber plantation and oil palm plantation. Each of the four investigated land-use systems had four replicates in two regions, which resulted in a total number of 32 sampling plots. One region was named after the national park "Bukit Dua Belas" and the other one after the forest restoration concession "Harapan". The minimum distance between the two regions was approximately 55 km. Further details can be found in the EFForTS introduction article Drescher et al. (2016) and each plot location (GPS, Global Positioning System) in Appendix 3.

In each of these 50 x 50 m plots, ten vascular plant species, dominant by biomass, were selected using the angle count technique "Bitterlich-Method" (Kramer & Akca 2008). The "Bitterlich-Method" is usually used to estimate the basal area per hectare of a forest stand based on the tree trunk diameter, without a defined sample area (Kramer & Akca 2008). For this, every tree trunk diameter, in a 360° radius, is measured at breast height as an angle from a given position. The technique is applied at several positions within the tree-dominated plots, and all trees above a defined diameter value are counted. The total biomass per hectare can then be derived from that count data (Kramer & Akca 2008).

However, in this project the "Bitterlich-Method" was used to determine the ten dominant species in forest and jungle rubber by measuring the trunk diameter at 16 positions in each plot (Figure 4). Overall, the 48 largest species (three per position) were determined. In the following order, nine individuals were sought: If e.g. for the largest species at position one, nine other individuals could not be found, individuals of the largest species from position 11 were sought. All species with the highest biomass of all 16 positions were checked. If not enough individuals could be found the species with the second highest biomass were checked at position one. This continued to the third largest species at each position until ten species with each ten individuals were found. In the plantation systems, the same 16 positions (Figure 4) were used to determine the dominant species by identifying the species with the shortest distance to each position. If for the closest dominant species nine other individuals could not

be found the same, procedure as in the tree-dominated systems was carried out. Woody species were in general preferred but were seldom dominant in the plantations. Uniform and objective criteria were used to identify sampled species and the individual species composition in each plot.

From each selected species, leaf material of ten plants was sampled, dried in sealed plastic bags with silica gel and shipped to the German laboratory of the Section Forest Genetics and Forest Tree Breeding, Göttingen University. To decrease the risk of clone sampling, the collected individuals of the plantation species had a minimum distance of 10 m to each other. Because of the high number of individuals of the two crop species *Hevea brasiliensis* and *Elaeis guineensis* samples were chosen randomly in every plantation and jungle rubber plot. If necessary, individuals were also sampled in the surroundings of the tree-dominated plots (up to 300 m distance). For species identification from all individuals besides the crop species, herbarium specimen were collected, dried and stored at Jambi University. Species identification was carried out with the support of CRC990- subproject B06, Kebun Raya Bogor and the herbarium staff of the Restoration concession "Harapan".



Figure 4: Design (CRC 990, EFForTS, modified) for all 32 plots. Letter-number combination presents a marking stick for orientation. Framed numbers present the 16 positions, where the dominant plant determinations were carried out.

# 2.1.2. DNA- EXTRACTION AND AFLP ANALYSIS

Total DNA was extracted from approximately 1 cm<sup>2</sup> dried leaf material using the DNeasy 96 Plant Kit (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) following the manufactory's instructions. The amount and the quality of the DNA were analyzed by 0.8 % agarose gel electrophoresis with 1x TAE as running buffer (Sambrook et al 1989). DNA was stained with Roti®Safe and visualized by UV illumination. The DNA was stored at -20 °C.

The AFLP analysis was performed according to the protocol of Vos et. al. (1995) with minor modifications, all samples were analyzed with the same primer/enzyme combination. The digestion/ligation was carried out simultaneously with the EcoRI/Msel primer combination and incubated overnight. The Restriction-Ligation mixture contained 4  $\mu$ l DNA (appr. 20 ng), 1.2  $\mu$ l 10 x T<sub>4</sub> Ligase Buffer (400 mM Tris-HCl, 100 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 100 mM DTT, 5mM ATP, pH 7.8; Thermo Science, Lithuania), 49.99 mM NaCl, 2.5 mM Msel and 2.5 mM EcoRI restriction enzymes (Thermo Science, Lithuania), 0.6 mg/ $\mu$ l BSA (Thermo Science, Lithuania), 4 Units

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EcoRI and 0.8 Units of MseI adapter (Sigma Aldrich, United States), 0.3 Units T<sub>4</sub> Ligase (Thermo Science, Lithuania) and 3.02  $\mu$ l H<sub>2</sub>O.

The in water diluted Restriction-Ligation product (4  $\mu$ l) was mixed with 1.5  $\mu$ l 10 x buffer (0.8 M Tris-HCl, 0.2 M (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 0.2 % w/v Tween-20; Solis BioDyne, Estonia), 2.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> (Sigma Aldrich, United States), 0.16 mM dNTP (Thermo Science, Lithuania), 0.08 mM M03 and 0.06 mM E01 primer (Thermo Science, Lithuania), 1 Unit Taq Polymerase (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) and 0.65  $\mu$ l H<sub>2</sub>O, for the pre-selective PCR reaction. The following second PCR reaction contained 2  $\mu$ l of the in water diluted pre-selective PCR product, 1.5  $\mu$ l 10 x buffer (0.8 M Tris-HCl, 0.2 M (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 0.2 % w/v Tween-20; Solis BioDyne, Estonia), 2.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> (Sigma Aldrich, United States), 0.16 mM dNTP (Thermo Science, Lithuania), 0.08 mM E35 and 0.2 mM M63 primer (Thermo Science, Lithuania), 1 Unit Taq Polymerase (Qiagen, Hilden, Germany) and 0.81  $\mu$ l H<sub>2</sub>O.

In the pre-selective PCR the primer E01/M03 (Keygene N.V. nomenclature) combination was used, with one selective nucleotide A/G, and in the selective PCR the primer combination E35/M63, with three selective nucleotides ACA/GAA. Pre-selective and selective PCR-program protocols were carried out according to the protocol of Kuchma (2010). The pre-selective PCR reaction started with 72 °C for 2 min, followed by 94 °C for 10 sec, 56 °C for 30 sec and 72 °C for 2 min (20 cycles), and the final extension step at 60 °C for 30 min. The selective PCR reaction started with 94 °C for 2 min, the cycles consist of 94 °C for 10 sec, annealing temperature for 30 sec and 2 min at 72 °C. The annealing temperature started at 65 °C in the first cycle and declined subsequently for the next 9 cycles by 1 °C. Followed by 23 cycles with an annealing temperature at 56 °C. The duration of the final extension step was 30 min at 60 °C.

The restriction and selective PCR products were checked for quality (presence of DNA and approximately correct fragment size) with 16 randomly chosen samples per plate using agarose gel electrophoresis (see above). For fragment detection, the selective amplification reactions contained a fluorescent dye 6-FAM labelled E35 primer. The PCR reaction of all samples was carried out with the PTC 200, Pelmer thermal cycler (MJ Research). The water-diluted selective PCR products were separated on the ABI genetic analyzer (3130, ABI PRISM) and sized using standard GENSCAN 500 ROX. Fragment scoring within the fragment size range of 75-400 bp was carried out with the program GeneMapper 4.1. (Applied Biosystems).

The species specificity of reproducibility of AFLP profiles was assessed with two samples of each species by duplicate independent DNA extractions and PCR reactions. Only unambiguous and reproducible fragments were used for further analysis. If the maximum number of samples of a species were ten, all reaction steps were repeated from digestion/ligation step onwards, fragments were only considered if occurring in both repetitions.

#### **2.2.** DATA ANALYSIS

Land-use intensity, the individual life form and spatial range of a species might have an influence on genetic diversity patterns of a plant species. The following analyses (Figure 5) were carried out to assess genetic plant diversity in the different land-use systems with several possible explanatory factors. The different land-use intensities were represented by the four land-use systems forest, jungle rubber, oil palm and rubber plantation, the different life forms by the categories crop species, tree, grass, herb and fern. The spatial aspect was considered by calculating genetic diversity and differentiation of the plant populations at three different spatial scales: within plot ( $\alpha$ -level), within land-use system ( $\beta$ -level) and within region ( $\gamma$ -level). The individual AFLP presence-absence (1-0) matrices of the 104 successfully genotyped species were the data for all analyses.

Two approaches were carried out to assess the genetic diversity structure of the dominant species depending on different land-use systems: 1. a community analysis, based on all analysed species within a plot and 2. a species analysis were based on the life form and history traits of each species.

Two different indices were used for the analyses: the differentiation index Morisita-Horn (C) (Horn 1966) and the entropy index Shannon Index (I, Equation 2) (Shannon & Weaver 1949; Lewontin 1972). For the following reasons the two indices were used and compared. The Morisita-Horn index (Equation 1) considers the number of shared fragments in ratio to the overall number of fragments which occur in the two compared samples and is independent of sample size, i.e. here number of fragments (Wolda 1981). Furthermore, this index is similar to the genetic dissimilarity index Dice/ Nei-Li (Equation 3) (Nei & Li 1979), which considers the number of shared fragments in the two compared individuals, but gives more weight to the presence of fragments than Morisita-Horn (Bonin et al. 2007). The Morisita-Horn index ranges from 0 (identical) to 1 (no similarity). Morisita-Horn

dissimilarity calculations were carried out with the function "vegdist" in the R-package "vegan" (Oksanen et al. 2015).

The Shannon Index is depending on the number of samples (Goodman 1975) and number of loci within a species, which was a disadvantage when calculating genetic diversity at three different scales, hence with increasing sample size. Furthermore, the number of loci differed among the species. The Shannon Index is an infinitive index with 0 when no difference is detectable.

The Shannon Information Index (I) was developed by Shannon & Weaver (1949) and modified by Lewontin (1972) for genetic data. The Shannon Information Index (I) for all analyses was calculated with the program PopGene 1.32 (Yeh et al 1997).

Equation 1: Morisita-Horn dissimilarity for binary data. A number of fragments in sample one, B number of fragment in sample two. J is the number of shared fragments.

Morisita-Horn dissimilarity Index for binary data: C = (A+B-2J) / (A+B)

Equation 2: Shannon Information index. pi is the frequency of a fragment present in one individual

Shannon Information Index:	I = -∑ p <sub>i</sub> log p <sub>i</sub>
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Equation 3: Dice/ Nei-Li for binary data. A number of fragments in sample 1, B number of fragment in sample 2. J number of shared fragments.

Dice/ Nei-Li:

J / [J+ ((A-J) - (B-J)) /2]

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Figure 5: Plot names with the respective diversity level ( $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ -diversity, indicated by colours) in the upper table: B: Bukit Dua Belas, H: Harapan, F: Forest, J: Jungle Rubber, O: Oil Palm, R: Rubber. Overview of all calculations for the (1.) community and (2.) species analysis. (a.) Fragment pool and (b.) species approach calculations were carried out to assess diversity at the three diversity levels. A mixed fixed effect model (GLMM) was fitted for Morisita-Horn distances (C) and Shannon Index (I) results. AMOVA calculations per land-use system with Morisita-Horn index (C) using the fragment pool approach. For the species analyses, calculations the Shannon Index (I) per life form was used, and AMOVA and Dendrogramm analysis were carried out. The respective chapters are in brackets.

## 2.2.1. COMMUNITY ANALYSIS

In the community analyses, the particular characteristics of each species were not considered. The plant communities in each land-use system were investigated for significant differences in mean genetic diversity and differentiation and genetic variation. Furthermore, genetic diversity was correlated to parameter such as other species diversity in the four land-use systems.

For the community analysis, two main approaches were carried out: a. fragment pool approach and b. species approach. The fragment pool approach represents the opportunity to compare genetic differentiation of individuals among plots and land-use systems based on raw data, without comparing fragments of different species. The fragment pool approach considers every fragment as a unit for calculating diversity. The total number of fragments occurring in all plots and species (9411 fragments for all 104 species) presents the total number of fragments, which potentially can occur in a plot. Like in phylogenetic analyses (Robinson & Harris 1999) fragments are assumed to be independent units.

Figure 6 illustrates an example of the fragment pool approach with seven species and four plots. Species one, three and seven occurs in forest plot 1, species seven is shared with jungle rubber plot 1. Oil palm plot 3 and rubber plot 6 share species four and six, species five only occurs in rubber plot 6.

The individual AFLP 1-0 matrix consist of the specific amplified fragment, followed by a conversion into presence "1" and absence "0" of the fragment with a particular size. The 100 individuals per plot were combined into ten fragment pools per plot (Figure 6). Every plot was presented by ten rows with each successively ten individuals with their individual 1-0 order. The first row contained successively the first individuals, each with the respective 1-0 AFLP matrix, of every species collected in this plot. Each fragment was placed in one column. The second row contained all second individuals, each with the respective 1-0 AFLP matrix, of every species collected in this plot. Hence, the 1-0 AFLP fingerprint of the second individual of the same species were in the same columns as the first individual. This was continued for all ten individuals and ten species for all plots. In the following these rows are called fragment pools. If the species occurred again in a different plot the 1-0 matrix for these individuals were accordingly placed into the same columns. This concept was followed for all 104 species and 32 plots.

The pairwise Morisita-Horn dissimilarity based on the fragment pool approach makes it possible to compare plots and land-use systems genetically while simultaneously considering differences in species composition. To compare dissimilarities among plots and land-use systems only due to the genetic structure of the species, the species effect was accounted for by the following procedure. A second input file was built were all individuals were considered to be clones, i.e. all fragments of the occurring species in each plot were present (Figure 7). Based on these clone fragment pools the Morisita-Horn pairwise distance matrix was calculated. Herewith, the resulting distances between the clone fragment pools are only due to the species differences and the genetic diversity is zero.

The deduction result between the two pairwise distance matrices, fragment pool matrix and the clone fragment pool matrix, corresponds to the pairwise genetic fragment pool distance matrix. This pairwise *genetic* fragment distance matrix was used for all following fragment pool calculations, except the plot heterogeneity calculation. Differences among individuals within plots, within land-use systems and within regions are determined by the number of

fragments shared by two fragment pools (for calculation details for each level see section 2.2.1.2.).

For the species approach, the two indices Shannon Index and Morisita-Horn were calculated for each species at the three levels within plot, within land-use system and within region, respectively (for calculation details for each level see section 2.2.1.2.).

Fragment pool	Species 1	Species 2	Species 3	Species 4	Species 5	Species 6	Species 7
Forest plot 1	10111100	0000000000	10111111100	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101111100
Forest plot 1	11111100	000000000000	10111110110	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101001100
Forest plot 1	10111111	0000000000	10001011100	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101011100
Forest plot 1	10111110	0000000000	10111101100	0000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101110100
Forest plot 1	10111000	00000000000	10110000111	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101101100
Forest plot 1	10101100	000000000000	10111101111	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101111010
Forest plot 1	10100100	0000000000	11000111100	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101111011
Forest plot 1	11111101	00000000000	10101000100	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101111111
Forest plot 1	00011100	000000000000	10100111011	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101001100
Forest plot 1	11111110	0000000000	10111110111	0000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101110001
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1110111100	000000000000000	0000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111001100
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1011110011	0000000000000000	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	010111100
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1011110111	0000000000000000	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	100111100
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	0001101100	0000000000000000	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101011100
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1101111100	0000000000000000	0000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101101100
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1011001100	0000000000000	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101111000
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1011011010	0000000000000000	0000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101001110
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1010011100	0000000000000000	000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101001010
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1011110110	0000000000000000	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101011100
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1000110110	0000000000000000	000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	101111001
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000	0000000000000	1111110110	00000	1011110001010	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000	000000000000000	1001111100	00000	1011111111100	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000	0000000000000000	1010110110	00000	1011100111100	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000	0000000000000000	1011110111	00000	1010101011100	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	0000000000	0000000000000000	1011110001	00000	1011110011111	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	0000000000000000	0000000000000	1010101011	00000	1011001101110	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1011001011	00000	1110001111001	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000	0000000000000000	1110011100	00000	1010011001100	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	0000000000	000000000000000	1010011100	00000	1000100111010	000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	0000000000000000	0000000000000000	1100111100	00000	1011110111110	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000	00000000000000000	1011001001	10100	0111110101010	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000	0000000000000000	1001101100	11100	010101010101010	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000	0000000000000	1011110111	10110	0011101010101	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000	0000000000000000	1001111011	10101	0111011101010	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000	0000000000000000	1011111111	11100	0010101010111	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	0000000000	0000000000000	1011000111	11110	0111010101011	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0000000000000000	1010011100	11101	0110111101010	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000	0000000000000000	1111101110	11111	01010101010001	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000	0000000000000000	1011110110	00111	1010101011011	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1011111100	00110	0011110101010	000000000

Figure 6: Illustration of the input file for the fragment pool approach with one plot of each land-use system randomly chosen from the eight possible plots and seven species. |101111100| presents the 1-0 matrix of one particular individual of the collected species with certain number of fragments, each fragment is in the input file one column. |00000| if a species does not occur in the plot all respective columns are filled with zeros.

Fragment pool	Species 1	Species 2	Species 3	Species 4	Species 5	Species 6	Species 7
Forest plot 1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000	111111111
Forest plot 1	11111111	0000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Forest plot 1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Forest plot 1	11111111	0000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Forest plot 1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
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Forest plot 1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Forest plot 1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Forest plot 1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Forest plot 1	11111111	0000000000000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	11111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	111111111
Jungle rubber plot 1	00000000	1111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	00000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	00000	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	00000	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	00000	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
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Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	00000	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	00000	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
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Oil palm plot 3	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	00000	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	111111	1111111111111	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	11111	1111111111111	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	11111	1111111111111	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	111111	1111111111111	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	11111	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	11111	1111111111111	000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	0000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	111111	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	11111	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	0000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	111111	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
Rubber plot 6	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	1111111111	111111	1111111111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000

Figure 7: Illustration of the input file for the clone fragment pool matrix calculation with one plot of each land-use system randomly chosen from the eight possible plots and seven species. |111111111| presents the exact same number of fragments of the original individual of the collected species with certain number of fragments, each fragment is in the input file one column. |00000| if a species does not occur in the plot all respective columns are filled with zeros.

### **2.2.1.1.** LAND-USE SYSTEM HETEROGENEITY

Land-use system heterogeneity calculation was conducted as a visualization of the investigated plots. Differences between all plots were due to different species composition and genetic dissimilarity among the individuals of the occurring species. The pairwise fragment pool distance matrix was used to calculate the dispersion or variance within each plot and among all plots. The heterogeneity of the land-use systems was visualized using the mean value of dispersion of each plot in a Principal Component Analysis (PCoA) (Gower 1966). The calculation was conducted by using the function "betadisper" in the R-package "vegan" (Oksanen et al. 2015). The graph was built with the R-package "ggplot2" (Wickham 2009).

#### **2.2.1.2.** GENETIC DIVERSITY AT THREE DIFFERENT SPATIAL SCALES

Patterns of genetic structure at different spatial scales of plant species differ due to their different life strategies. Tree species are expected to have higher diversity within a population than short living species but lower population differentiation (Austerlitz et al. 2000). Hence, in this project the tree-dominated systems are expected to have higher within plot diversity with increased, but similar, diversity values with extended spatial scale ( $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ - level). The herbaceous species in the plantations are expected to have lower within population diversity than trees but increased diversity values at  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ - level due to the higher differentiation of populations. To assess genetic diversity with increasing population size of the dominant species and to test the genetic diversity dependency on the land-use system, different spatial scales were determined. The different spatial scales are presented by the three levels: the lowest,  $\alpha$ -level, corresponds to the diversity within each plot, the  $\beta$ -level to diversity within each land-use system and the highest,  $\gamma$ -level to the diversity within each region (Figure 5).

#### a. fragment pool approach

For the fragment pool approach, the  $\alpha$ -level differentiation was calculated by taking the mean of the pairwise *genetic* fragment pool distance matrix values within each plot. The  $\beta$ -diversity values represented the genetic distance of the individuals in one plot have to all other individuals of the same species within the land-use system. The  $\beta$ -diversity level was calculated by taking the mean values of the pairwise *genetic* fragment pool matrix within each land-use system e.g. of the pairwise *genetic* distance values from all forty forest fragment pools in the region Harapan. The  $\gamma$ -diversity level was based on the mean values of the pairwise *genetic* fragment pool matrix within each region. The results were ten mean values per plot for the fragment pool for all three diversity levels, respectively.

Increasing the population size by using the three spatial scales included the species dominant in only one plot, too. To investigate the differences in genetic differentiation of the species occurring more than once the true  $\beta$ -diversity was calculated and fitted to a GLMM. True  $\beta$ diversity, is defined as  $\alpha$ - diversity deducted from  $\gamma$ -diversity and not as a designated area larger than  $\alpha$ , as conducted for the within land-use system  $\beta$ -diversity level for the community and species approach. True  $\beta$ -diversity was calculated with  $\beta = \gamma - \alpha$  following Whittaker (1960).

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#### b. species approach

The species approach was presented by the two indices Shannon Index (I) (Shannon & Weaver 1949; Lewontin 1972) and Morisita-Horn dissimilarity (Horn 1966). The  $\alpha$ -level diversity, using the Shannon Index, was calculated for the ten individuals per plot, respectively. Using the Morisita-Horn dissimilarity the  $\alpha$ -level was calculated by taking the mean of the pairwise distance matrix values of the ten individuals per plot for each species. The Shannon Index  $\beta$ -diversity was calculated based on all individuals of a species present within a land-use system. For the  $\beta$ -level differentiation the means of the pairwise distances of all individuals per species within each land-use system were taken. The Shannon Index at the  $\gamma$ -level was based on all individuals of the same species approach the means of the pairwise distance were taken of all individuals of the same species within the region. Consequently, at the  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -level, diversity changed only for the species dominant in more than one plot within each land-use system and region. The number of values per plot using the species approach was equal to the number of species genotyped successfully.

The nine data sets,  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -diversity level for the Morisita-Horn and the Shannon Index per species and for the fragment pool approach, were checked for normal distribution using the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (Stephens 1979) for continuous data in STATISTICA version 12 (StatSoft Inc., Tulsa, USA). The three diversity levels based on the fragment pool approach and species approach (Shannon Index and Morisita-Horn) were graphed using R-package "reshape2" (Wickham 2007). Differences among the land-use systems for the community and species approach at the three  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -diversity levels were assessed using a generalized mixed fixed effect model (GLMM) in the R-package nlme (Pinheiro et al 2015). Model of the best fit were chosen based on the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC): the land-use system as the fixed variable and the plots nested in a region as the random effects. The results of the mixed effect models were generalized for multivariate comparisons with the function "glht" of the R-package "multcomp" (Hothorn et al. 2008). A two-sample t-test (Student 1908) was carried out with all nine data sets to test for differences among the four land-use systems and the two regions using STATISTICA version 12 (StatSoft Inc., Tulsa, USA). Furthermore, in STATISTICA the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (Stephens 1979) as a non-parametric test was used to confirm the t-test results for the not normally distributed data sets.

### 2.2.1.3. ANALYSIS OF MOLECULAR VARIANCE

To calculate the variance within plots and regions, the function "amova" in the R package "ade4" (Dray & Dufour 2007) was used to conduct analysis of molecular variance (AMOVA) based on the pairwise genetic fragment distance matrix per land-use system, respectively. The function calculated the ten fragment pools per plot as one population and were distinguished between the two regions Bukit Dua Belas and Harapan. Significance was tested with the function "randtest" based on the Monte Carlo test with 999 permutations.

## 2.2.1.4. MANTEL TEST

Population structure of plant species is depending on multiple factors. In fragmented and heterogeneous landscapes pollen and seed dispersal, thus gene flow, can be constrained which leads to isolation and structuring of populations (Luque et al. 2012; Ruiz-Gonzalez et al. 2015). Due to limited gene flow with increasing geographic distance, genetic differentiation among populations may increase (van Strien et al. 2015). Based on the pairwise genetic fragment pool distance matrix and pairwise geographic distance matrix per plot, the correlation between genetic differentiation among individuals of the same species in different plots and the geographic distance among plots was tested. The geographic position of each plot was used for calculating the geographic pairwise distance. The mantel test was carried out using the software PassaGe2 (Rosenberg & Anderson 2011) with 9999 permutations. If plots did not share species, hence did not have a genetic distance, these two plots were not considered in the calculations (value = not available). The analysis was carried out once for the complete data set and once for the two regions Bukit Dua Belas and Harapan separately.

## 2.2.1.5. POWER ANALYSIS

To answer the question how many plots would have to be sampled, to detect significant differences if the land-use systems were an actual effect, the function "power.anova.test" of the R-package "stats" was used for a balanced one-way ANOVA. The calculation is depending on the number of groups (land-use system), number of samples within groups (plots) and the variance within and among the groups. The analysis was carried out for a significance level of 0.05 and a power of 80 %. For the species approach the test was carried out with the Shannon
Index per species and for the fragment pool approach the three levels of  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ - differentiation.

# 2.2.1.6. CORRELATION OF GENETIC DIVERSITY AND SPECIES DIVERSITY AND SOIL VARIABLES

Shannon Index values per species and plot based on the AFLP matrices were tested for correlation with total plant species diversity per plot, C/N ratio per plot, arbuscular mycorrhiza species diversity and prokaryotic species diversity.

Plant species diversity was provided by the subproject B06 ("Taxonomic, phylogenetic, functional and biogeographic diversity of vascular plants in rainforest transformation systems on Sumatra (Indonesia)") (Rembold & Kreft unpublished data). The data is based on number of tree species over 10 cm dbh in the tree dominated land-use systems, plus all vascular plant species in five subplots. Furthermore, all species within the five subplots in each plot were registered. Based on this data the Simpson diversity index (1-D) was calculated per plot using the R-package "vegan". C/N ratios per plot were provided by subproject A04 ("Stock, turnover and functions of carbon in heavily weathered soils under lowland rainforest transformation systems"), which were measured from a soil mixture of all horizons to the maximum depth of 100 cm in one pit per plot (Guillaume et al. 2015). Taxonomic units abundance data of the mycorrhiza species was provided by subproject B07 ("Functional diversity of mycorrhizal fungi along a tropical land-use gradient"), which observed and identified taxonomical units using barcoding (Edy 2015). The Simpson Index, used as the diversity index in the correlation, was calculated using the R-package "vegan". For archaeal and bacteria diversity the Simpson Index values (Schneider et al. 2015) were provided by subproject B02 ("Impact of rainforest transformation on phylogenetic and functional diversity of soil prokaryotic communities in Sumatra (Indonesia)"), which observed and identified taxonomical units using bar-coded amplicon sequencing prokaryotic 16S rRNA genes (Schneider et al. 2015). R-package Hmisc (Harrell 2015) was used to test for significant correlation (Pearson test, 999 permutations) between genetic diversity (Shannon Index) and the three other parameters. Visualization of the correlation was carried out with the graphic R-package ggplot2 (Wickham 2009).

## **2.2.2.** SPECIES-BASED ANALYSIS

Species were categorized regarding their life form and history traits. Common species occurring in at least three plots were analysed separately, to compare these results with the community analysis.

## 2.2.2.1. GENETIC DIVERSITY OF THE COLLECTED SPECIES ACCORDING TO THEIR LIFE FORMS

Plants were separated by life form into trees, shrubs, grasses, herbs, ferns and the two crop species oil palm and rubber. The Shannon index (Lewontin 1972) values per species were used to test for significant differences among the life form groups.

Tree species were grouped into three categories regarding their typical habitat and occurrence. The three categories were 1. secondary; typical species for secondary rainforests, 2. pioneer; typical species for open and early successional habitats and 3. Generalists; common species with high abundancy in tropical lowland rainforests. This categorization was carried out based on the ecological information of Prosea books (PROSEA 5(1-3), 6, 12(1-3), 14, 15(2)) and www.asianplant.net (in May 2015). If the information of the species was not available, the description of the genera was considered. To investigate the dependency of genetic diversity of the life forms on the land-use system, the values were fitted into a GLMM using the R-package nlme (Pinheiro et al 2015). The following parameters were used in the GLMM: plots were nested in the region as random factors and life form was a fixed factor. The following calculation was the pairwise multiple comparisons Tukey test with the function "glht" of the R-package "multcomp" (Hothorn et al. 2008).

## 2.2.2.2. GENETIC STRUCTURE OF FREQUENTLY COLLECTED SPECIES

Species, frequently dominant in plots, were chosen for a more detailed analysis, disregarding the land-use system. For all species the Reynold distance matrix and 10000 bootstraps was calculated using AFLPsurv 1.0 (Vekemans 2002). These bootstraps were used to build a Neighbour Joining tree with the two functions "neighbour" and "consense" belonging to the program Phylip 3.7. (Felsenstein 2009). For visualization of the dendrogram the software TreeView 1.6.6. was used (Page 1996). The dendrograms with only three populations are less informative; hence, they were only calculated for species occurring in more than three plots.

Furthermore, GenAlEx 6.501 (Peakall & Smouse 2006; Peakall & Smouse 2012) was used to calculate  $\phi_{PT}$  (similar to  $F_{ST}$  for binary data) and carry out the AMOVA analysis with 999 permutations for each chosen species. For categorization of the tree species groups see section 2.2.2.1. For the most common tree species *Macaranga bancana* the expected heterozygosity (H<sub>e</sub>), Percentage of Polymorphic Loci (PPL) was calculated for each plot using GenAlEx 6.501 (Peakall & Smouse 2006; Peakall & Smouse 2012).

Table 1: List of the in detail analysed dominant species according to their life form category, region (Bukit Dua Belas (B), Harapan (H)) and land-use system (forest (F), jungle rubber (J), oil palm (O) and rubber (R)). Number of plots is the total number of plots, which were considered in the calculations.

Species	Group	Region	System	Nr. of plots
Aporosa nitida	Tree (Generalist)	В, Н	F	5
Alstonia scholaris	Tree (Generalist)	В, Н	J, R	9
Gironniera nervosa	Tree (Generalist)	В, Н	F	4
Porterandia anisophylla	Tree (Generalist)	В, Н	F	6
Endospermum malayanum	Tree (Pioneer)	В	F, J	3
Hymenodictyon orixense	Tree (Pioneer)	В, Н	J	4
Macaranga bancana	Tree (Pioneer)	В, Н	F <i>,</i> J, R	12
Artocarpus elasticus	Tree (Secondary)	В, Н	J	6
Croton agrarius	Tree (Secondary)	В, Н	F	5
Hopea megerawan	Tree (Secondary)	Н	F	3
Shorea ovalis	Tree (Secondary)	Н	F	3
Elaeis guineensis	Crop	В, Н	0	8
Hevea brasiliensis	Crop	В, Н	J, R	16
Asystasia indica	Herb	В, Н	O, R	9
Clidemia hirta	Herb	В, Н	O, R	14
Melastoma malabrathicum	Herb	В, Н	O, R	11
Spermacoce alata	Herb	В, Н	O, R	3
Axonopus compressus	Grass	В, Н	O, R	15
Centotheca lappacea	Grass	В, Н	O, R	14
Scleria bancana	Grass	В, Н	O, R	9
Dicranopteris linearis	Fern	В, Н	O, R	5
Goniophlebium verrucosum	Fern	н	0	3
Nephrolepis acutifolia	Fern	В, Н	0	7

## **3.** Results

## **3.1.** PLANT MATERIAL AND AFLP ANALYSIS

In all 32 plots, ten dominant plant species were determined and ten plants/species times ten species/plot resulted in a total of 3200 samples for AFLP analysis. Due to different dominance of species in each plot, a total number of 112 species were collected for the study. A species was only considered for the calculations with at least ten successfully genotyped individuals. Low PCR product quality, misidentification of species and/or low reproducibility caused the exclusion of eight species. Seven species per plot was the minimum number representing one plot. The species list can be found in Appendix 1.

## **3.2.** DATA ANALYSIS

## 3.2.1. COMMUNITY ANALYSIS

## 3.2.1.1. LAND-USE SYSTEM HETEROGENEITY

Based on the number of shared species and the genetic distance among the occurring individuals of the same species, all eight plots of each land-use system were grouped together but in different distances (Figure 8). Two groups could be identified, the tree-dominated systems, forest and jungle rubber, as one group and the plantation systems, oil palm and rubber, as the other group. The eight oil palm and jungle rubber plots were very close together and the two regions within each system could not be separated. Forest and rubber plots showed more heterogeneity within the system. One jungle rubber plot and one oil palm plot showed a greater distance to other plots within the land-use system. Jungle rubber shared species with the forest system and with the rubber plantation.



Figure 8: The heterogeneity of each land-use system in the two regions. PCoA of the mean of pairwise Morisita-Horn dissimilarities of all individuals of the dominant species in the four land-use systems forest (green, BF, HF), jungle rubber (red, BJ, HJ), oil palm (yellow, BO, HO), rubber (blue, BR, HR) in two regions Bukit Dua Belas landscape (bright colours) and Harapan landscape (dark colours).

## **3.2.1.2.** GENETIC DIVERSITY AT THREE DIFFERENT SPATIAL SCALES

The species and the fragment pool approach showed for all land-use systems moderate but different differentiation and diversity results. The overall observation at all three spatial scales using the fragment pool and the species approach was very similar differentiation and diversity values in both regions. That observation was confirmed by the GLMM and the t-test with no significant differences for both approaches between the two regions Bukit Dua Belas and Harapan.

#### a. Fragment pool approach

The results for the fragment pool approach based on the genetic fragment distances, differed between the four land-use systems (Figure 9). Genetic differentiation at  $\alpha$ -level showed similarity between forest and jungle rubber and between the two plantation systems. Forest showed higher genetic distance than rubber plantation, but both were at intermediate levels. The mixed effect model at  $\alpha$ -level suggested no significant differences between all land-use systems except between jungle rubber (highest) and oil palm (lowest). At  $\beta$ -differentiation the fragment pool approach showed the tree dominated systems, forest and jungle rubber, did

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not have the highest mean pairwise distances to all other fragment pools within the land-use systems. Forest differentiation decreased from  $\alpha$ - to  $\beta$ -level the most and differed significantly from the three other land-use systems. Jungle rubber showed highest differentiation values, oil palm and rubber intermediate values. Oil palm differed significantly from jungle rubber, but not from rubber plantations, neither did rubber and jungle rubber. On  $\gamma$ -genetic diversity level the differentiation among all fragment pools was low. All land-use systems had similar distances value. Differentiation at  $\gamma$ -level was highest for oil palm followed by jungle rubber and rubber. For the forest system  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -level differentiation did not differ. The GLMM suggested only significant differences between forest (lowest) and oil palm (highest). Results of the t-test suggested significant differences among the four land-use systems at all three diversity levels.

The comparison of all three levels of diversity with the fragment pool approach showed that forest species behave different in the three levels than the three land-use systems. From  $\alpha$ level,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -level the differentiation for forest declined, for jungle rubber in a lesser extent. The two plantation systems showed less change in differentiation at the three diversity levels than the tree-dominated plots. Comparing the plots within each land-use system and within the two regions the degree of variance within each plot seemed to be randomly high or low across all land-use systems (Appendix 8). In all forest plots, genetic fragment distance on  $\beta$ and  $\gamma$ -level were similar. For jungle rubber plots  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -diversity distances were similar and the  $\gamma$ - diversity results were lower, i.e. heterogeneity within each plot and land-use system was higher than among the land-use systems. Oil palm plantations showed high differentiation on the plot level. For all rubber plots, similar high distances at  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -diversity level and low at  $\gamma$ -diversity level were observed. In the Harapan region differences among  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -and  $\gamma$ -diversity levels were less than in the Bukit Dua Belas region. Genetic differentiation for the forest plots differed, but not significantly, between the two regions (Appendix 9).

Testing the effect of the land-use system on the genetic distance of only the species occurring in more than one plot showed highest values for the jungle rubber followed by the forest system (Figure 12). The GLMM suggested significant differences among the tree-dominated systems and oil palm plantation with the lowest values. Rubber plantation do not differ significantly from the three other land-use systems. The t-test suggested significant differences between the two plantation systems and among the tree-dominated systems and the two plantation systems. Forest and jungle rubber did not differ significantly.

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#### b. Species approach

The  $\alpha$ -level genetic diversity calculations based on the Shannon Index were moderate but did not differ among all four land-use systems (Figure 10). The results at the  $\alpha$ -diversity level revealed two groups: forest and jungle rubber with high mean genetic diversity and oil palm and rubber plantations with low mean genetic diversity (Figure 10). The t-test and GLMM suggested both suggested significant differences between these two groups. Species of rubber plantations showed slightly higher mean diversities than oil palm plantation species. Comparing genetic diversity on plot level and separated by region, there was no visible difference between the two regions (Appendix 10). The variability of intraspecific diversity among the different species sampled within plots in each system was higher than the variation between sites and regions. The land-use system did not seem to have an effect on the variability within a plot (Appendix 10). Diversity at the  $\beta$ -level increased compared to  $\alpha$ -level for all four land-use systems but differences of the mean among them decreased (Figure 10). Variance within all land-use systems was high. Mixed effect model suggested the same significant differences as at the  $\alpha$ -level, between the two tree-dominated systems and the two plantation systems. The t-test suggested significant differences between forest and the plantation systems, jungle rubber and rubber plantation but not between jungle rubber and oil palm plantation. Genetic diversity differences among the four land-use systems at ydiversity level were low, hence GLMM and t-test suggested both no significant differences among them. Mean value for jungle rubber is slightly higher than the forest mean values. Compared to the  $\beta$ -level the variance within jungle rubber, oil palm and rubber plantation decreased.

Comparing genetic diversity based on the Shannon Index plot- and region- wise, from  $\alpha$ - to  $\gamma$ level the mean values increased for all 32 plots (Appendix 10). Variance within each plot differed but was in general high. Variability within each plot and land-use system was much higher than variability of the fragment pool approach.

The species approach showed very similar mean distances for the four land-use systems at all three diversity levels based on the Morisita-Horn Index (Figure 11). Variance within each landuse system was for all three levels high. The t-test and the GLMM suggested no significant differences among all four land-use systems at three levels.



Figure 9: Results of the fragment pool approach using the Morisita-Horn dissimilarity (C). Shown is the genetic differentiation per land-use system F (forest), J (jungle rubber), O (oil palm plantation) and R (rubber plantation) for the three spatial levels  $\alpha$ -(within plot),  $\beta$ - (within land-use system),  $\gamma$ - (within region). Significant differences indicated by letters (p < 0.01).



Figure 10: Results of the species approach using the Shannon Index (I). Shown is the genetic differentiation per land-use system F (forest), J (jungle rubber), O (oil palm plantation) and R (rubber plantation) for the three spatial levels  $\alpha$ -(within plot),  $\beta$ - (within land-use system),  $\gamma$ - (within region). Significant differences indicated by letters (p < 0.01).



Figure 11: Results of the species approach using the Morisita-Horn dissimilarity (C). Shown is the genetic differentiation per land-use system F (forest), J (jungle rubber), O (oil palm plantation) and R (rubber plantation) for the three spatial levels  $\alpha$ - (within plot),  $\beta$ - (within land-use system),  $\gamma$ - (within region). Significant differences indicated by letters (p < 0.01).



Figure 12: Genetic diversity of the absolute effective turnover species of the fragment pool approach using the Morisita-Horn dissimilarity (C). Shown are the absolute values of the results ( $\beta = \gamma - \alpha$ ). The four land-use systems forest (F), jungle rubber (J), oil palm plantation (O), rubber plantation (R). Significant differences indicated by letters (p < 0.01).

### **3.2.1.3.** ANALYSIS OF MOLECULAR VARIANCE

The fragment pool approach showed similar variance at the three spatial levels (within plot, within region, among region) for all four land-use systems. The AMOVA test showed no significant differences between the two regions for all land-use systems (Table 2). Variance among plots and within plots were within each land-use system were significantly different

but the values were very similar ( $\phi_{PT}$ : forest 0.56, jungle rubber 0.51, oil palm 0.59, rubber

0.41).

Table 2: AMOVA results of genetic fragment pool distance for each land-use system. df: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares,  $\sigma$ : estimated variance, PV [%]: percentage of variance,  $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations (plots) relative to the total variance, p-value, n.a.: not available.

Land-use system	Source	df	SS	σ	PV [%]	Фрт	р
Forest	Among region	1	2.1488	0.0125	4	n.a.	0.224
Forest	Within region	6	9.8856	0.1523	52	n.a.	0.001
Forest	Within plots	72	8.9697	0.1245	43	n.a.	0.001
Forest	Total	79	21.0041	0.2894	100	0.5695	n.a.
Jungle rubber	Among region	1	1.4547	-0.00839	-3	n.a.	0.633
Jungle rubber	Within region	6	10.7419	0.16438	54	n.a.	0.001
Jungle rubber	Within plots	72	10.5441	0.14644	48	n.a.	0.001
Jungle rubber	Total	79	22.7407	0.30244	100	0.5157	n.a.
Oil palm	Among region	1	2.2465	0.0114	4	n.a.	0.290
Oil palm	Within region	6	10.7394	0.1668	56	n.a.	0.001
Oil palm	Within plots	72	8.7424	0.1214	40	n.a.	0.001
Oil palm	Total	79	21.7285	0.2996	100	0.5948	n.a.
Rubber	Among region	1	1.1932	0.0048	2	n.a.	0.240
Rubber	Within region	6	5.9957	0.0858	39	n.a.	0.001
Rubber	Within plots	72	9.4021	0.1305	58	n.a.	0.001
Rubber	Total	79	16.5910	0.2223	100	0.4125	n.a.

## 3.2.1.4. MANTEL TEST

Different genetic structure of the occurring dominant species within the regions effected the results of the isolation by distance test. The pairwise genetic distance matrix and geographic distance based on all 320 fragment pools showed a correlation which was slightly negative (r = -0.024, p < 0.001). Results for the Bukit Dua Belas region based on 160 fragment pools showed a negative (r = -0.156, p < 0.001). The test for the Harapan region showed a positive correlation (r = 0.27, p < 0.001).

## **3.2.1.5.** POWER ANALYSIS

The power analysis calculated the necessary number of plots for significant results, if the effects suggested by the mixed effect model are the real effects. Results suggest for the species approach using the Shannon Index, a plot number of 39 per land-use system. At  $\beta$ -level using the Morisita-Horn Index per species 303 plots and at  $\gamma$ -level 390 plots would be

necessary. For the fragment pool approach its 10 plots per land-use system at  $\alpha$ -level, 3 plots at  $\beta$ -level and 9 plots at  $\gamma$ -level.

# 3.2.1.6. CORRELATION OF GENETIC DIVERSITY AND SPECIES DIVERSITY AND SOIL VARIABLES

Differences among the four land-use systems were not only observed for plant genetic diversity, but also for species composition, geographic distances, plant species diversity, arbuscular mycorrhiza diversity, prokaryotic diversity and C/N- ration in the soil. Genetic diversity of dominant plant species showed significant correlation with the species diversity of each plot (Figure 13 A). Tree species showed the highest genetic diversity and they were the dominant life form in forest and jungle rubber plots. Forest showed the highest plant species diversity, followed by the jungle rubber. The correlation was significant, but not highly (Pearson test, r = 0.19, p < 0.01).

Pearson test for a correlation between C/N ratio per plot and genetic diversity was not significant (r = 0.04, p = 0.427). Data about heterogeneity of soil nutrition concentrations in every plot was not available.

Genetic diversity of dominant plant species showed significant correlation with the species diversity of arbuscular mycorrhiza of each plot (Figure 13 B). Forest showed highest diversity followed by rubber plantations. Species abundances were not observed in all jungle rubber plots and the oil palm plot BO5 (NA in the calculations). Pearson test results (999 permutations) showed a lower correlation and lower significance than with the plant species diversity (r = 0.17, p < 0.05).

The correlation among plant genetic diversity and bacteria diversity was negative and significant (r = -0.15, p = 0.016). Archaea diversity was very slightly correlated to genetic diversity and the test results were not significant (r = 0.09, p = 0.134). The two prokaryotic groups differed in their diversity patterns among the land-use systems (Figure 13 C and D).



Figure 13: Correlation between genetic diversity (Shannon Index) of the respective species in each plot and **A**. the plant species diversity, **B**. the arbuscular mycorrhiza species diversity, **C**. the soil bacteria taxonomic unit diversity and **D**. the soil archaea taxonomic unit diversity in the Simpson Index (1-D), respectively. Land-use systems are coloured in green (forest), red (jungle rubber), yellow (oil palm) and blue (rubber). For the land-use system jungle rubber the mycorrhiza species data was not available.

RESULTS

#### **3.2.2.** SPECIES-BASED ANALYSIS

Genetic structure and diversity calculations of the single species analysis showed the high variability among species, even within each life form and land-use system.

# 3.2.2.1. GENETIC DIVERSITY OF THE COLLECTED SPECIES ACCORDING TO THEIR LIFE FORMS

Each life form group differed in its variability in genetic diversity. Woody plant species showed the highest genetic diversity of all groups. Shrub and fern species showed similar results to the tree species. Grass species and the two crop species *Hevea brasiliensis* and *Elaeis guineensis* showed the lowest genetic diversity (Figure 14). Variance within each plant groups was very high except the crop and shrub species group, which were only presented by two and eleven species, respectively. Mean genetic diversity differed within the same life form group, but different among the land-use systems only little. Grouping tree species regarding their habitat requirements, "generalist" species showed highest genetic diversity. Groups "generalist" and "secondary" content the most variable species. Contribution of each group differed in forest and jungle rubber and the two regions (Table 3). The group "generalist" was the dominant group in both system in the Harapan region, in Bukit Dua Belas the second. In the region Bukit Dua Belas, forest plots were dominated by the group "secondary", jungle rubber plots by the group "pioneer". The group "secondary" accounted only for 11 % in jungle rubber.



Figure 14: Shannon Index (I) per species grouped after life form (crop, fern, tree, grass, herb and shrub) and land-use system forest (F), jungle rubber (J), oil palm (O) and rubber (R). Trees were separated after their life history trait (generalist, pioneer and secondary).

System	Region	Observations	Generalist [%]	Pioneer [%]	Secondary [%]
Forest	Bukit Dua Belas	32	44	9	47
Jungle rubber	Bukit Dua Belas	28	32	57	11
Forest	Harapan	35	60	0	40
Jungle rubber	Harapan	26	50	38.5	11.5

Table 3: Contribution of each group in the two systems forest and jungle rubber separated by region. Proportion in percent [%] and total number of observations included in the calculation per system and region (rubber was excluded).

## **3.2.2.2.** GENETIC STRUCTURE OF FREQUENTLY COLLECTED SPECIES

Population structure analysis of single species incompletely reflected the results of the plant community results on  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -diversity levels. The species showed variance like Shannon genetic diversity per species on  $\alpha$ -diversity level. Variance among populations (AMOVA results) cannot be compared among the species, since they were relative to overall variance within each species.  $\Phi_{PT}$  values showed tendencies between tree values and herbaceous species. Tree species showed high variance in differentiation (e.g. secondary: 0.049 to 0.368, Table 6) but lower than herbaceous species (herbs: 0.113 to 0.384 and grasses: 0.06 to 0.423, Table 12 and ).

## Group "secondary":

All four species showed differentiation among plots but only *Croton agrarius* showed differentiation among regions. *A. elasticus* did not show differentiation between the two regions, plots of different regions paired together with high bootstrap values (Figure 15 A). *C. agrarius* showed clear structure between the two regions, but the clustering of the plots within the Harapan region was not supported by high bootstrap values (Figure 15 B). *H. mengerawan* showed low differentiation between the three plots but all significant (Table 4). *S. ovalis* showed very low differentiation and medium significance, HF4 and HF2 were not significantly different (Table 5). Variance among populations was lowest for *S. ovalis* and highest for *C. agrarius*, results for all four species were significant (Table 6).



Figure 15: Neighbour Joining dendrogram based on Reynolds distance based on the pairwise genetic distance matrix per plot where the species occurred (10000 permutations, bootstrap values in [%]). Colours are indicating the land-use system where the species was sampled: forest (F) in green and jungle rubber (J) in red in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H). Shown are the tree species *Artocarpus elasticus* (A), *Croton agrarius* (B).

Table 4: Pairwise  $\phi_{PT}$  of *Hopea mengerawan* in three forest (F) plots in Harapan (H). Significance levels (p-value): p < 0.05\*, p < 0.01\*\*, p < 0.001\*\*\*

HF1	HF2	HF3	
	**	***	HF1
0.157		* *	HF2
0.160	0.078		HF3

Table 5: Pairwise  $\phi_{PT}$  of *Shorea ovalis* in three forest (F) plots in Harapan (H). Significance levels (p-value): n.s. not significant,  $p < 0.05^*$ ,  $p < 0.01^{**}$ ,  $p < 0.001^{***}$ 

HF2	HF3	HF4	
	**	n.s.	HF2
0.080		**	HF3
0.013	0.053		HF4

Species	Source	df	SS	EV	PV [%]	фрт	р
S. ovalis	Among plot	2	30.267	0.512	5	0.049	< 0.004
S. ovalis	Within plot	27	270.300	10.011	95	n.a.	n.a.
S. ovalis	Total	29	300.567	10.523	100	n.a.	n.a.
H. mengerawan	Among plot	2	14.133	0.422	13	0.129	< 0.001
H. mengerawan	Within plot	27	76.800	2.844	87	n.a.	n.a.
H. mengerawan	Total	29	90.933	3.267	100	n.a.	n.a.
A. elasticus	Among plot	5	316.337	4.598	18	0.178	< 0.001
A. elasticus	Within plot	49	1038.972	21.204	82	n.a.	n.a.
A. elasticus	Total	54	1355.309	25.801	100	n.a.	n.a.
C. agrarius	Among plot	4	288.800	6.160	37	0.368	< 0.001
C. agrarius	Within plot	45	477.000	10.600	63	n.a.	n.a.
C. agrarius	Total	49	765.800	16.760	100	n.a.	n.a.

Table 6: AMOVA results of *Shorea ovalis, Hopea mengerawan, Artocarpus elasticus* and *Croton agrarius* of the collected plots. df: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares, EV: estimated variance, PV: percentage of variance,  $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations relative to the total variance, n.a.: not available.

#### Group "pioneer":

Tree species of the pioneer group showed weak but significant differentiation among the analysed plots. Hymenodictyon orixense showed no differentiation between the two regions, but the Bukit Dua Belas plot showed more distance to the other three plots. However, bootstrap values did not suggest high reliability (Figure 16 A). Macaranga bancana was the most dominant tree species besides the crop species Hevea brasiliensis. For M. bancana the two forest plots showed more distance to all other plots (100% bootstraps), but all other plots did not cluster into the land-use system or region (Figure 16 B). E. malayanum showed significant differentiation among all three plots but the  $\phi_{PT}$  value was higher among the jungle rubber plots and forest plot BF1 (Table 7). Differentiation was significant for all three species but low (Table 8). M. bancana was the most abundant non-crop species of the whole data set and was chosen for a more detailed analysis of the population structures (Table 9). In general no pattern differentiation among the three land-use systems. Compared to Bukit Dua Belas higher values for Nei's gene diversity and Percentage of Polymorphic loci (PPL) was found in the Harapan region in all three land-use systems. The two forest plots in the region Bukit Dua Belas showed lower values for gene diversity and PPL (BF1 = 0.22, BF2 = 0.27).  $F_{ST}$  for all 12 population based on 999 permutations was not significant (p = 0.226).



Figure 16: Neighbour Joining dendrogram based on Reynolds distance based on the pairwise genetic distance matrix per plot where the species occurred (10000 permutations, bootstrap values in [%]). Colours are indicating the land-use system where the species was sampled: forest (F) in green, jungle rubber (J) in red and rubber plantation (R) in blue in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H). Shown are the tree species *Hymenodictyon orixense* (A), *Macaranga bancana* (B).

Table 7: Pairwise $\phi_{PT}$ of Endospermum malayanum in one forest (F) and two jungle rubber (J) plots in Bukit Dua Bel	as (B).
Significance levels (p-value): n.s. not significant, p < 0.05*, p < 0.01**, p < 0.001***	

BJ3	BJ5	BF1	
	**	***	BJ3
0.063		***	BJ5
0.236	0.184		BF1

Table 8: AMOVA (999 permutations) results of *Endospermum malayanum, Hymenodictyon orixense* and *Macaranga bancana*. df: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares, EV: estimated variance, PV: percentage of variance,  $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations relative to the total variance, n.a.: not available.

Species	Source	df	SS	Est. Var.	PV [%]	Фрт	р
E. malayanum	Among plot	2	63.800	2.110	16	0.163	< 0.001
E. malayanum	Within plot	27	291.600	10.800	84	n.a	n.a.
E. malayanum	Total	29	355.400	12.910	100	n.a.	n.a.
H. orixense	Among plot	3	51.750	0.667	6	0.059	< 0.001
H. orixense	Within plot	36	380.800	10.578	94	n.a.	n.a.
H. orixense	Total	39	432.550	11.245	100	n.a.	n.a.
M. bancana	Among plot	11	918.482	7.093	35	0.350	< 0.001
M. bancana	Within plot	107	1408.678	13.165	65	n.a.	n.a.
M. bancana	Total	118	2327.160	20.258	100	n.a.	n.a.

Plot	N	N loc	N loc plot	PPL [%]	He	S.E.(H <sub>e</sub> )
BJ2	10	120	97	81	0.25880	0.01503
BJ3	10	120	87	73	0.19942	0.01614
BJ4	10	120	101	84	0.26976	0.01530
BJ5	10	120	107	89	0.31087	0.01428
BF1	10	120	93	77	0.21797	0.01532
BF2	10	120	103	85	0.27369	0.01460
HR1	10	120	97	81	0.27546	0.01560
HR3	10	120	113	94	0.37206	0.01260
HJ1	10	120	109	91	0.35644	0.01295
HJ2	10	120	102	85	0.31832	0.01472
HJ3	10	120	112	93	0.30099	0.01322
HJ4	9	120	108	90	0.33330	0.01444

Table 9: Molecular diversity indices of *Macaranga bancana* in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H), in the three land-use systems forest (F), jungle rubber (J) and rubber plantation (R) based on AFLP matrix. N: Number of individuals, N loc: number of loci, N loc plot: number of polymorphic loci within each plot, PPL: Percentage of Polymorphic Loci, He: Nei's gene diversity, S.E. (H<sub>e</sub>): standard error of Nei's gene diversity

## Group "generalist":

*A. scholaris* clustered neither into regions nor into the land-use systems. Bootstrap values showed only low support for the clustering in the dendrogram (Figure 17 A). For *A. nitida* the two regions were separated from each other. Within Bukit Dua Belas BF1 and BF2 showed highly supported separation from the third plot (Figure 17 B). *G. nervosa* did not show separation between the two regions (Figure 17 C). For *P. anisophylla* the two regions are clearly separated from each other. Within the region Bukit Dua Belas forest plot BF1 is more distant to BF3 and BF4, within Harapan HF4 and HF2 are closer (Figure 17 D). Variance among plots of all four species are significant, among plots variance was lowest for *A. scholaris* (Table 10).



Figure 17: Neighbour Joining dendrogram based on Reynolds distance based on the pairwise genetic distance matrix per plot where the species occurred (10000 permutations, bootstrap values in [%]). Colours are indicating the land-use system where the species was sampled: forest (F) in green, jungle rubber (J) in red and rubber plantation (R) in blue in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H). Shown are the tree species *Alstonia scholaris* (A), *Aporosa nitida* (B), *Parkia speciosa* (C), *Porterandia anisophylla* (D)

Species	Source	df	SS	Est. Var.	PV [%]	фрт	р
P. anisophylla	Among plot	5	117.070	1.735	21	0.214	< 0.001
P. anisophylla	Within plot	53	337.133	6.361	79	n.a.	n.a.
P. anisophylla	Total	58	454.203	8.096	100	n.a.	n.a.
A. scholaris	Among plot	8	215.200	0.946	5	0.051	< 0.001
A. scholaris	Within plot	81	1412.300	17.436	95	n.a.	n.a.
A. scholaris	Total	89	1627.500	18.382	100	n.a.	n.a.
A. nitida	Among plot	4	107.480	1.896	19	0.193	< 0.001
A. nitida	Within plot	45	356.000	7.911	81	n.a.	n.a.
A. nitida	Total	49	463.480	9.807	100	n.a.	n.a.
P. speciosa	Among plot	6	73.371	0.791	16	0.155	< 0.001
P. speciosa	Within plot	63	271.8	4.314	84	n.a.	n.a.
P. speciosa	Total	69	345.171	5.106	100	n.a.	n.a.

Table 10: AMOVA results of *Porterandia anisophylla, Alstonia scholaris, Aporosa nitida* and *Parkia speciosa*. df: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares, EV: estimated variance, PV: percentage of variance,  $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations relative to the total variance, n.a.: not available.

## Crop species:

All oil palm and rubber plantations and jungle rubber plots were considered in the two dendrograms for *Hevea brasiliensis* and *Elaeis guineensis*. *E. guineensis* did not separate into regions either, but two plots in each region were more distant to all other plots (BO2 and BO5 in Bukit Dua Belas and HO1 and HO4 in Harapan, Figure 18 A). *H. brasiliensis* did not show clustering for region or land-use system (Figure 18 B). Furthermore, the bootstrap values suggested low support for this tree version. The variance of both crop species among the plots were low but significant (Table 11).



Figure 18: Neighbour Joining dendrogram based on Reynolds distance based on the pairwise genetic distance matrix per plot where the species occurred (10000 permutations, bootstrap values in [%]). Colours are indicating the land-use system where the species was sampled: jungle rubber (J) in red, oil palm plantation (O) in yellow and rubber plantation (R) in blue in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H). Shown are the crop species *Elaeis guineensis* (A) and *Hevea brasiliensis* (B).

Table 11: AMOVA results of <i>Eldels guineensis</i> and <i>Heved brasiliensis</i> . dt: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares, EV: estimated
variance, PV: percentage of variance, $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations relative to the total variance, n.a.
not available.

Species	Source	df	SS	Est. Var.	PV [%]	Фрт	р
E. guineensis	Among plot	7	136.025	1.100	12	0.115	< 0.001
E. guineensis	Within plot	72	607.000	8.431	88	n.a.	n.a.
E. guineensis	Total	79	743.025	9.531	100	n.a.	n.a.
H. brasiliensis	Among plot	15	166.006	0.514	8	0.080	< 0.001
H. brasiliensis	Within plot	144	853.700	5.928	92	n.a.	n.a.
H. brasiliensis	Total	159	1019.706	6.442	100	n.a.	n.a.

### Herb species:

All herb species clustered neither after land-use system nor after region. Plots of rubber and oil palm plantations and of the two regions paired together without visible pattern. *A. gangetica* plots did not cluster after land-use system or region (Figure 19 A). Single plots from two different regions group together (e.g. HO1 and BO2). *C. hirta* showed similar results, land-use system and regions are mixed but single plots grouped together with high bootstrap

values (e.g. BO2 and BO5, HR3 and BO3, Figure 19 B). *M. malabathricum* showed no differences among regions and land-use system and bootstraps values are low for the dendrogram (Figure 19 C). For *S. alata* the plots HO1 and HO4 paired together and were separated from the other oil palm and rubber plot. The rubber plot (BR4) paired with HO2, but with large distance (Figure 19 D).

Variance among populations was highest for *A. gangetica* and lowest for *M. malabathricum*. AMOVA results were significant for all four species (Table 12).



Figure 19: Neighbour Joining dendrogram based on Reynolds distance based on the pairwise genetic distance matrix per plot where the species occurred (10000 permutations, bootstrap values in [%]). Colours are indicating the land-use system where the species was sampled: oil palm plantation (O) in yellow and rubber plantation (R) in blue in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H). Shown are the herb species *Asystasia gangetica* (A), *Clidemia hirta* (B), *Melastoma malabathricum* (C) and *Spermacoce alata* (D).

Species	Source	df	SS	Est. Var.	PV [%]	фРТ	р
M. malabathricum	Among plot	10	292.413	1.656	11	0.113	< 0.001
M. malabathricum	Within plot	97	1259.550	12.985	89	n.a.	n.a.
M. malabathricum	Total	107	1551.963	14.641	100	n.a.	n.a.
C. hirta	Among plot	13	301.666	1.435	13	0.134	< 0.001
C. hirta	Within plot	122	1130.643	9.268	87	n.a.	n.a.
C. hirta	Total	135	1432.309	10.703	100	n.a.	n.a.
A. gangetica	Among plot	8	428.000	4.614	39	0.385	< 0.001
A. gangetica	Within plot	81	595.900	7.357	61	n.a.	n.a.
A. gangetica	Total	89	1023.900	11.971	100	n.a.	n.a.
S. alata	Among plot	3	70.525	1.767	23	0.232	< 0.001
S. alata	Within plot	36	210.100	5.836	77	n.a.	n.a.
S. alata	Total	39	280.625	7.603	100	n.a.	n.a.

Table 12: AMOVA results of *Melastoma malabathricum*, *Clidemia hirta, Asystasia gangetica* and *Spermacoce alata*. df: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares, EV: estimated variance, PV: percentage of variance,  $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations relative to the total variance, n.a.: not available.

#### Grass species:

None of the grass species grouped within the land-use systems or regions. *A. compressus* and *C. lappacea* were the most common grass species occurring in 15 and 14 plots, respectively. *A. compressus* had the highest  $\phi_{PT}$  value of all analysed species (

Table 13), although the lowest Shannon Index (Appendix 2). Furthermore, the two crop plantations were not separated (Figure 20 A). *C. lappacea* showed a tendency (60 % bootstraps) for separation after region except one oil palm plot of the region Harapan which was grouped with the Bukit Dua Belas plots (Figure 20 B). Plots with *S. bancana* of both crop species paired together without visible pattern (Figure 20 C).



Figure 20: Neighbour Joining dendrogram based on Reynolds distance based on the pairwise genetic distance matrix per plot where the species occurred (10000 permutations, bootstrap values in [%]). Colours are indicating the land-use system where the species was sampled: oil palm plantation (O) in yellow and rubber plantation (R) in blue in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H). Shown are the grass species Axonopus compressus (A), Centotheca lappacea (B), Scleria bancana (C).

Species	Source	df	SS	Est. Var.	PV [%]	фрт	р
C. lappacea	Among plot	3	101.093	0.685	6	0.063	< 0.001
C. lappacea	Within plot	136	1387.250	10.200	94	n.a.	n.a.
C. lappacea	Total	139	1488.343	10.886	100	n.a.	n.a.
A. compressus	Among plot	14	129.894	0.826	42	0.423	< 0.001
A. compressus	Within plot	133	150.025	1.128	58	n.a.	n.a.
A. compressus	Total	147	279.919	1.954	100	n.a.	n.a.
S. bancana	Among plot	8	450.156	4.703	34	0.337	< 0.001
S. bancana	Within plot	81	748.500	9.241	66	n.a.	n.a.
S. bancana	Total	89	1198.656	13.944	100	n.a.	n.a.

Table 13: AMOVA results of three grass species *Centotheca lappacea, Axonopus compressus* and *Scleria bancana*. df: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares, EV: estimated variance, PV: percentage of variance,  $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations relative to the total variance, n.a.: not available.

## Fern species:

The three fern species showed, similar to all other species groups, no region or land-use cluster. *D. linearis* did not separate between regions. The two rubber plots in Bukit Dua Belas separated with high support (70 %) from the three other plots. Furthermore, the one rubber plantation of the region Harapan paired together with one oil palm plot of Bukit Dua Belas (92 %) (Figure 21 A). *N. acutifolia* results showed low support of the dendrogram (highest bootstrap value, 55 %) and both regions did not separate (Figure 21 B). *G. verrucosum* showed significant but very low differentiation among the plots (Table 14). Variance among populations for all three fern species was very low but significant (Table 15).



Figure 21: Neighbour Joining dendrogram based on Reynolds distance based on the pairwise genetic distance matrix per plot where the species occurred (10000 permutations, bootstrap values in [%]). Colours are indicating the land-use system where the species was sampled: oil palm plantation (O) in yellow and rubber plantation (R) in blue in the two regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) and Harapan (H). Shown are the fern species *Dicranopteris linearis* (A), and *Nephrolepis acutifolia* (B).

Table 14: Pairwise  $\phi_{PT}$  of *Goniophlebium verrucosum* in three oil palm (O) plots in Harapan (H). Significance levels (p-value): n.s. not significant, p < 0.05\*, p < 0.01\*\*, p < 0.001\*\*\*

HO3	HO2	HO1	
	**	***	HO3
0.023		**	HO2
0.050	0.024		HO1

Table 15: AMOVA results of three fern species, *Dicranopteris linearis, Goniophlebium verrucosum* and *Nephrolepis acutifolia*. df: degrees of freedom, SS: sum of squares, EV: estimated variance, PV: percentage of variance,  $\phi_{PT}$ : proportion of the variance among populations relative to the total variance, n.a.: not available.

Species	Source	df	SS	Est. Var.	PV [%]	Фрт	р
D. linearis	Among plot	4	176.080	1.972	8	0.075	< 0.01
D. linearis	Within plot	45	1093.400	24.298	92	n.a.	n.a.
D. linearis	Total	49	1269.480	26.270	100	n.a.	n.a.
G. verrucosum	Among plot	2	79.880	1.005	3	0.032	< 0.01
G. verrucosum	Within plot	26	786.189	30.238	97	n.a.	n.a.
G. verrucosum	Total	28	866.069	31.243	100	n.a.	n.a.
N. acutifolia	Among plot	6	67.343	0.383	5	0.049	< 0.001
N. acutifolia	Within plot	63	465.500	7.389	95	n.a.	n.a.
N. acutifolia	Total	69	532.843	7.772	100	n.a.	n.a.

In the present study, the genetic diversity of dominant plant species in four different land-use systems in Sumatra Indonesia was investigated. The three land-use systems, oil palm, rubber and jungle rubber and the natural vegetation of an old growth tropical lowland rainforest are reflecting different agricultural intensities with different plant compositions and genetic diversity of the dominant plant species. Each land-use system was investigated with a community based and a species based approach. The mixed effect model was used to test for significant differences among the four land-use systems in genetic diversity of the plant community at three spatial scales: within each plot, within each land-use system and within each region. For the species analysis, frequently sampled species were investigated in detail regarding their genetic structure depending on their land-use system and life form.

Results indicate that land-use change per se does not have an effect on genetic diversity. Genetic diversity and the differentiation with increasing spatial scale, depends highly on life form, population density, gene flow, migration and evolutionary history (Hamrick et al. 1992), which is reflected in this project by the high variability within each plot and within the life form groups.

The fragment pool approach presents a method, which is able to calculate genetic differentiation of a plant community within and among land-use systems without comparing different species directly. Further, results of Mantel test and AMOVA show that basic population genetic analyses can be carried out with fragment pool approach as well. Due to the high genetic diversity, the highest potential of conserving genetic resources was shown by forest and jungle rubber. Jungle rubber with high genetic diversity but lower species diversity than forest may represent a buffer zone between natural vegetation and agricultural areas. The two plantation systems showed relatively high genetic diversity levels of non-native species, thus are not qualified as potential areas for conserving genetic resources of natural vegetation.

Until now, the genetic studies, mostly based on single species, conducted for conservation purposes shown various results (Kramer et al. 2008). In an era of fast and vast land-use change in the tropics, an applicable and effective method for identifying biodiversity hotspots and determining protected areas is necessary (Andam et al. 2008). For animal and plant diversity such methods have already been developed, but genetic diversity is usually not included

(Souto et al. 2015). To increase effectiveness of conservation management in the tropics, threats need to be identified and cost effective standardization of monitoring and research activities introduced (Sheil 2001).

The present study is not entitled to provide detailed genetic patterns of fragmented species, but provide an example for a universally applicable method to assess genetic diversity differences of dominant plant species in different areas and land-use systems.

In the following discussion the sampling design, the molecular marker and analyses measures will be discussed, followed by the community analyses, were genetic diversity was investigated at three spatial scales and correlated with other ecosystem factors such as species diversity. In the second part, the species based analyses of the frequently collected species distinguished by the life form are discussed. Finally community and species based analysis are compared.

## 4.1. PLANT MATERIAL COLLECTION AND AFLP ANALYSIS

Dominant species are expected to have highest influence on the ecosystem and represent them the most (Grime 2001; Avolio et al. 2011). For conservation purposes, it would be best to investigate every species to be able to consider their characteristics. That being impossible, due to time and financial limitations, investigating dominant species of an ecosystem is a reasonable compromise. Using the "Bitterlich-Method" to choose the dominant tree species in every plot assures the randomization and objectivity of the selection. Selecting species with only ten individuals in or close to the 50 x 50 m plot means neglecting large trees with low densities. Outcrossing species which recently declined in their population size, e.g. due to deforestation, are assumed to be most threatened by genetic consequences of forest fragmentation (Aguilar et al. 2008). Albeit, a larger investigation area could not be defined, due to the small jungle rubber patches, still remaining in the area. Hence, with increasing plot size, it would become difficult to distinguish the populations. Furthermore, even with smaller tree heights but with higher number of individuals understorey species are still dominant in the investigated plots. In addition, the disturbance degree in the forest plots was very different and in the plots of Bukit Dua Belas there were only fewer high trees than in Harpan. The percentage of trees with a DBH above 10 cm and height above 15 m was 55 in Bukit Dua Belas and 86 in Harapan (Rembold et al. unpublished). Finally, to be able to combine the

results of this analysis with other subprojects of the EFForTS project, the sampling area needed to be the same as in other subprojects.

## 4.2. DATA ANALYSIS

Due to the dominant nature of AFLP markers, the availability of analytical methods that could be used in this study is already limited (see below). Since, the goal of this study was to compare genetic diversity of plant *communities,* three aspects needed to be considered during the analysis, which lead to use of AFLPs as a molecular marker and Morisita-Horn and Shannon-Index as the diversity measures.

First, AFLP fragments of different species could not be compared since the origins of fragments of the same size are unknown. Second, the different number of samples taken per species, and most importantly third, every species has its unique number of fragments, which varied highly among the collected species.

Two approaches are common for population/unit structure analysis using AFLP data, presence and absence of bands and allele frequencies at each locus (Kosman & Leonard 2005). Frequency based approach could not be used here and thus are not discussed, due to the different number of samples taken per species (Mba & Tohme 2005). They are only reliable with high number of samples and with outcrossing species (Mba & Tohme 2005; Meudt & Clarke 2007), but information on this is unknown for most collected species. Commonly used indices based on presence and absence of bands/fragments and commonly used are Jaccard's coefficient (Jaccard 1908), Simple Matching coefficient (Sokal and Michener 1958), Dice/ Nei-Li (Nei & Li 1979; Mba & Tohme 2005). Jaccard and Dice/ Nei-Li coefficients take the number of present fragments and number of differences in presence into account, but Dice/ Neil-Li puts more weight on the presence of fragments (Bonin et al. 2007). Simple matching coefficient considers both similarity of two samples due to presence and absence of fragments (Bonin et al. 2007). All three indices are dependent on the total number of fragments occurring in a given species, which is not important when calculating differentiation among individuals of one species. Since the possible number of polymorphic loci increases with higher number of fragments, this would bias the results when comparing different species. Thus, the Morisita-Horn dissimilarity index (Horn 1966) was used for the both approaches, i.e. fragment-pool and species approach, at  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -level. Morisita-Horn does not depend on the sample size (Wolda 1981) and does not change in the behaviour with the level of dissimilarity (e.g. very

close to zero) like other indices (Linton et al. 1981; Wolda 1981). Some studies suggest the Bray-Curtis Index to be more accurate, but in the R-package vegan (Oksanen et al. 2015) Bray-Curtis and Morisita-Horn indices for binary data are calculated with the same formula (Oksanen et al. 2015). To the author's knowledge, until now studies about plant genetic structure did not use the Morisita-Horn dissimilarity. Hence, for a better comparison with other studies the Shannon Index (Shannon & Weaver 1949) was also used as a common genetic diversity measure. In this project several species with a high variation in fragment number were compared, which can lead to a bias using the Shannon Index. Further, the Morisita-Horn index is widely used as a  $\beta$ -diversity index and the Shannon Index as an  $\alpha$ -diversity index in ecology, both were compared at the three different scales. In ecology, "differentiation" and "diversity" are used as a synonym when calculating  $\beta$ -diversity (Koleff et al. 2003). In population genetics,  $F_{ST}$  or  $G_{ST}$  measure the differentiation among collections regarding their composition with accounting for the geographical location of each individual (Gregorius 2010). By calculating the two indices, diversity and differentiation, the project tries to benefit from the advantages of both.

The different results, increasing genetic diversity and decreasing genetic differentiation, in the present study, are not surprising due to different nature of the two indices, diversity and differentiation (White 1986). The results per species by calculating the Morisita-Horn index per species had similar results for all three diversity levels. One reason can be the high variability of differentiation within a species and among the species, which reduces the chance of detecting differences among the land-use systems. The power analysis suggests that for this approach a 10 times higher number of plots per land-use system would be necessary to have significant results if the tested effects are the real effects, confirming the above mentioned explanation. The Shannon Index decreases this problem by calculating the index per locus of a species and takes the mean for the whole species or population. Therefore, the Shannon index is depending on the number of individuals (Goodman 1975). Which is again not a problem when comparing populations of one species, i.e. individuals have the same number of loci. Calculating the Morisita-Horn index with the fragment pool approach is avoiding both, high variability and number of fragments, by calculating the differentiation between individuals of the same species and having automatically a mean value of the variation between the different species.

One could argue to increase the number of samples to 25 (Namkoong et al. 1996) or 50 (Frankel 1995) and follow suggestions of traditional population geneticists, to avoid the Shannon Index limitation, but considering the size of forest and jungle rubber patches and tree densities, these numbers could not be achieved in this project. The GLMM results are preferred to the t-test results because, in contrast to the latter one, GLMM is robust to the violation of normal distribution and the independence of the variables (Lindstrom & Bates 1988; Baayen et al. 2008). In this study, the independency of genetic diversity of each species in the respective plot could not be guaranteed. Species sampled in several plots might interact regarding gene flow, which influenced the intraspecific diversity level of interacting species plots and the diversity values would not be independent.

#### 4.2.1. COMMUNITY ANALYSIS

## 4.2.1.1. LAND-USE SYSTEM HETEROGENEITY

The first hypothesis, that the dominant species composition in each land-use system is unique, could only be partly confirmed. The two plantation systems shared several species and were very similar in dominant species composition. The fragment pool approach is able to display the different species compositions of each plot using the AFLP matrices (Figure 8). As expected jungle rubber plots present a bit the intermediate system between forest and rubber plantations, having trees as the dominant life form and sharing with the rubber plantation at least one species. Structure and species composition in jungle rubber and forest are depending on the degree of disturbance (Laumonier 1997). Due to management in some rubber plantation plots, one or two tree species occurred dominant in the plots. Dominant species of the plantations systems might occur in jungle rubber and forest but not as dominant in biomass.

### **4.2.1.2.** GENETIC DIVERSITY AT THREE DIFFERENT SPATIAL SCALES

The level of genetic differentiation among populations may accumulate with geographic distance and may be influenced by environmental heterogeneity such as the presence of gene flow barriers in fragmented landscapes (Duforet-Frebourg & Blum 2014; Wang & Bradburd 2014). Further, land-use intensities itself can cause genetic differentiation of life-history traits among population in different land-use systems (Völler et al. 2013). Theoretical predictions of

high differentiation and low genetic diversity of tree populations in a fragmented landscape due to limited gene flow and genetic drift could not always be confirmed (Kramer et al. 2008). In this project, three spatial scales (within plot, within land-use system, within region) were investigated, to assess the mean genetic differentiation and diversity of the dominant plant species and the dependency on the land-use systems. The three spatial scales represent areas with different spatial sizes, thus, different geographic distances among individuals were considered by calculating genetic differentiation among individuals within the same and different plots. The tree-dominated systems were expected to have high local ( $\alpha$ -level) genetic diversity and lower differentiation on a larger scale ( $\gamma$ -level) and the plantation systems dominated by vegetative growing species may show the opposite pattern. A generalized mixed effect model was used to test for significant differences of genetic diversity among the four land-use systems at the three spatial scales, respectively.

Mean differentiation (Morisita-Horn dissimilarity) with the species approach did not detect any differences among the land-use systems at all three spatial scales. The species approach using the Shannon Index showed significant differences among the highest (tree-dominated systems) and lowest (plantation systems) diversities for  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -level. At  $\gamma$ -level no significant differences could be detected. For the fragment pool approach significant differences at  $\alpha$ level could be detected between jungle rubber with highest genetic differentiation and oil palm plantation with the lowest. At  $\beta$ -level, forest showed lowest differentiation levels and were significantly different to all other land-use systems. At  $\gamma$ -level differentiation of the dominant plants in oil palm plantations were highest, in forest lowest. Jungle rubber and rubber plantation showed intermediate differentiation levels. Due to the non-significant results for the species approach using the Morisita-Horn index, only the Shannon Index and the fragment pool approach are discussed in detail.

For the fragment pool approach, the observed decreasing level of differentiation with increasing number of compared individuals and increasing geographic distance among them was not expected. Especially because the mean genetic diversity values calculated with the Shannon Index increased from  $\alpha$ - to  $\gamma$ -diversity level. Greater changes from  $\alpha$ - to  $\beta/\gamma$ -level, using both the fragment pool and species approach, in the plantation systems compared to the tree-dominated systems, can be explained by the higher similarity in the species composition and the differences in gene flow between non-woody and woody species (Hamrick et al. 1992; Austerlitz et al. 2000).

The contradictory results of mean genetic differentiation and diversity are due to the dependency on the nature of the index and on the dominant species composition with their abundance within and among land-use systems. The differences are very plainly shown by the results of the fragment pool approach, where the variation of genetic diversity among the species compared to the Shannon Index, was reduced. Using the fragment pool approach, the total number of loci of all species occurring in the respective plot/land-use system/region were included in every distance calculation. Hence, with increasing spatial scale, the number of loci is increased what decreased the weight of the genetic differentiation among individuals of the species dominant in only one plot on the mean differentiation among fragment pools. The genetic distance among fragment pools stayed the similar due to the high number of species sampled only once, but the number of fragments increased. Even the species effect (presence of a species) was deleted by calculating the fragment clone distance matrix; the increasing number of fragments had a mathematical effect, which lowered the overall differentiation level. Extreme similarity or dissimilarity within species influenced the mean results the most.

On the contrary, for the species dominant in only one plot using the Shannon Index the genetic diversity level remains the same at all three levels, which explains the increasing variance at  $\beta$ -and  $\gamma$ -level. The effect of species with extreme values are in the mean values per plot or land-use system are not apparent.

The different abundance of species and their particular genetic differentiation intensify the effect of the indices. The differences between  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -level are based on the species which occurred in more than one plot within the land-use system. For the forest 38 % (13 species of 34) of the tree species dominant in the system occurred in more than one plot, in jungle rubber 24 % (8 species of 33) and in the two plantation systems it is 45 % (19 species of 42). Eight of the 13 forest species showed a decreased genetic differentiation within the land-use system than within the plot. Two of these species showed decreased genetic diversity using the Shannon Index as well, but due to the high variance within the land-use systems these results were not visible in that approach. Differences between  $\gamma$ - and  $\beta$ -level were based on an even more reduced number of species. The land-use systems oil palm and rubber plantations share seven species. Forest and jungle rubber share three species, *Macaranga bancana* (Miq.) Müll.Arg., *Endospermum malayanum* (Pax & K.Hoffm) Chatterjee and *Parkia speciosa* Hassk., with each other. *M. bancana* was also dominant in two rubber plantations in

the Harapan region, *P. speciosa* in one rubber plantation in Harapan. *E. malayanum* only occurred in the Bukit Dua Belas region. Together, a maximum of two plots of different land-use systems per species were shared. Hence, for most species in tree-dominated systems the differentiation or diversity results did not change from the  $\beta$ -level to the  $\gamma$ -level. On the contrary, the seven species shared by the plantations, occurred in the most of the 16 plots. Hence, more populations were considered in the analyses and the changes were higher.

To summarize, the main disadvantage of the high variance within the land-use system when comparing the mean values per species using the Shannon Index can be avoided using the fragment pool approach. Although, the disadvantage of the fragment pool is the high effect of extreme values, which increases the high effect of potential outliers and the decreasing influence of each loci with increasing scale. Due to the increased number of loci considered with increasing spatial scale, the three diversity levels are only comparable with care. This needs to be taken into account when analysing data of the two indices.

As expected, mean genetic diversity is depending on the species dominating the respective land-use system but not on the land-use system. The fragment pool results suggest that for the forest species the lowest mean differentiation among individuals within the land-use system. The lower genetic differentiation among individuals of different plots compared to individuals within plot showed that these species belong to one population with low genetic differentiation. The reduced genetic differentiation may be a consequence of population fragmentation associated limited gene flow and genetic drift (Young et al. 1996). Jungle rubber species showed higher mean differentiation than forest species, which can be due to the higher proportion of species with higher population density. The Shannon Index results do not suggest differences between jungle rubber and forest and low differences to the plantation systems. That suggests that species dominant in jungle rubber might have experienced limitation of gene flow too. Differences in mean genetic diversity and differentiation between single plots and the regions could be detected, although not significantly (Appendix 10). The forest plots in the region Harapan seem to be more homogeneous in mean genetic diversity. Despite low genetic differentiation, these four forest plots might be of higher conservational value than the forest plots in Bukit Dua Belas because the populations of the species seem more continuous and larger. Individuals in BF1 and BF2 showed higher differentiation to all other individuals of shared species than all other plots. The increased differentiation might indicate that the two plots were experiencing limitations

in gene flow (Hahn et al. 2013; Wang & Bradburd 2014). In the plantations dominant species from all three life forms (herb, grass, fern) are mainly invasive and/or colonizing species, hence adapted to disturbance (DeWalt & Hamrick 2004; Ootsuki et al. 2012). Furthermore, they developed strategies to avoid genetic consequences of small population sizes (e.g. genetic drift). All introduced species have already been introduced in Indonesia decades before this study and due to their fast growth abilities and short life span, genetic consequences of bottlenecks could not be detected here (Baker & Dyer 2011).

The species actually relevant at the  $\beta$ -level with their genetic differentiation can be observed in the analysis of absolute effective species turnover, which considers only the differentiation of species occurring more than once (Tuomisto 2010). In this project the species which occurred in more than one plot within a land-use system. The results show again the high variability within each land-use system. Genetic differentiation depends highly on the occurring individuals but in general, the plots of plantation systems showed higher similarity than the plots of the tree-dominated systems. The dependency on  $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -level can lead to wrong assumptions about the  $\beta$ -level genetic differentiation (Tuomisto & Ruokolainen 2008). Still, analysing the absolute effective species turnover gives information of the genetic differentiation change of species occurring more than once. Furthermore, the difference between the two ways of calculating  $\beta$ -diversity shows the importance of locally dominating species for assessing the community genetic diversity. A reason for the results might be that the land-use system is not explaining the variable for calculated genetic diversity levels and the sample number included in the calculations was reduced.

Assuming land-use has an effect on genetic diversity, the power analysis suggested in order to get significant results of the species approach (Shannon Index/ Morisita-Horn) at the  $\alpha$ -level 39/80 plots per land-use systems would be necessary, while only 10 plots would be required for the fragment pool approach. The results show that calculation of the Shannon index with small population sizes can lead to wrong estimations of the genetic diversity when comparing different ecosystems. That confirms the already discussed limitations of the Shannon Index with small sample sizes.

The results of the genetic diversity and differentiation show the dependency on the species with their genetic diversity and its influencing factors. The fragment pool approach is able to detect differences among plots and land-use systems regarding their genetic diversity and combined with other diversity parameters the identification of habitats of high conservational
concern can be improved. Nevertheless, the calculation of genetic diversity using the Shannon Index has high informative value. Using both indices increases the quality of the results. Plantation systems do not show signs of genetic diversity loss, concerning the analysed species, but since the dominant species are mostly invasive in Indonesia, the plantation systems could not be identified as habitats with high conservation value. However, despite differences in mean genetic differentiation that were detected using the fragment pool approach, a generalization about each land-use system is not possible. On the contrary, results confirm the heterogeneity of genetic diversity among plant species.

# 4.2.1.3. ANALYSIS OF MOLECULAR VARIANCE

Analysis of molecular variance (AMOVA) shows that the highest variance in differentiation is within the region, except rubber plantations. This result confirms the results of the GLMM, the degree of differentiation cannot be distinguished among the land-use systems. The AMOVA of jungle rubber could not calculate reliable results (negative percent values among regions); hence, they need to be interpreted cautiously. For the tree-dominated systems, this result does not meet the theoretical expectations of within population variance. The theoretical expectations are based on single species studies in other tropical regions. Widespread tropical pioneer species, showed 87-90 % of their variation within populations (Russell et al. 1999b; Lacerda et al. 2001). Similar level of variance to the tree-dominated systems, showed an isolated, endangered species (55 %) in a fragmented landscape (Lira et al. 2003) and an introduced species in Africa (40 %) (Muluvi et al. 1999). Even the community based analysis cannot be compared with single species, they are given examples for a variance range for tropical trees with high or low density in fragmented regions. In jungle rubber, which is dominated by pioneer species, the within plot variance is much lower (48 %). The most abundant pioneer species Macaranga bancana showed 65 % of within population variance. The expectation, that trees have higher genetic variation than species with shorter longevity and contain most of the variation within the population (Hamrick & Loveless 1989; Hamrick et al. 1992) could not be confirmed in this project (within plot variance 43 % forest and 48 % jungle rubber). Two possibilities can explain this pattern, first the low genetic differentiation of the tree-dominated systems, or second the spatial area of a population (one plot) is too small and the entire region itself can be considered as one population. With the second case the within population variance would be highest. Furthermore, regions only contribute a small

percentage to the total variation within the land-use systems and are not significantly different, which is also concurrent with the GLMM result.

# 4.2.1.4. Mantel test

The correlation of the genetic distance with the geographic distance showed different results for the two regions, which can be explained by the specific gene flow patterns of the occurring species. In contrast to Harapan species, Bukit Dua Belas species do not seem to experience limitations in gene flow. Although the correlation is significant, only 27 % (without crop species) of the collected species occurred more than three times, which is necessary for this calculation. The positive correlation for the Harapan region might be due to the very homogeneous Harapan forest plots, which share several species and are more closely related than to the species they share with jungle rubber. The forest plots in Bukit Dua Belas are very heterogeneous and do not share as many species as Harapan forest plots. However, forest plots in Harapan have a higher geographic distance to the transformed systems than in Bukit Dua Belas. Again, these results show the higher influence of species characteristics and species presence than of land-use system on plant genetic diversity.

Assuming high within population genetic diversity in tropical tree species (Loveless & Hamrick 1984; Aldrich et al. 1998; Fuchs & Hamrick 2010), the results lead to the conclusion that the analysed forest tree species already experienced severe consequences of fragmentation and disturbance in the old growth forest. Species of primary forests need to be analysed to confirm the suggested status of the forest plots investigated here. The impact of the possible related tree individuals on the genetic differentiation per plot could not be assessed. Studies about tropical tree species either sample across a wider spatial range (Silva et al. 2008; Ismail et al. 2012; Sampson et al. 2014) or use codominant markers and expected heterozygosity as the genetic diversity index (Collevatti et al. 2001; Finger et al. 2011). Using a data set with a larger distance between individuals, the genetic diversity might increase for the tree species. Plantation management needs to be changed to better meet the requirements of native species, so that the dominance of invasive species can be reduced (Didham et al. 2007). The use of herbicides, fertilizer and the frequency of disturbance give the fast colonizing species an advantage so that other species are not able to compete.

Summarizing the results of the land-use system comparison, mean genetic diversity patterns cannot be explained only by the factor land-use system. Many factors, mainly the specific life

history traits of a species, are influencing genetic diversity, which could not be considered in this study. The most interesting result for the community approach is that different genetic diversity levels in each land-use system could be detected using a small number of samples using the fragment pool approach.

# 4.2.1.5. CORRELATION OF GENETIC DIVERSITY AND SPECIES DIVERSITY AND SOIL VARIABLES

Changes of abiotic and biotic factors can indirectly influence changes of genetic diversity of plants and plants can influence ecosystem processes (Bailey et al. 2009).

Soil condition and the species diversity of plants, mycorrhiza and prokaryotes were tested for correlation with the plant genetic diversity to test if one parameter can be an indicator of the other. Soil condition, mycorrhiza diversity and soil prokaryotic diversity changed due to the conversion of forest too (Schneider et al. 2015; Allen et al. 2015; Guillaume et al. 2015; Edy 2015). As expected, the closest correlation was between plant species diversity and genetic diversity of plants. Genetic and species diversity is expected to decline with decreasing forest fragment size (Wright 1940; Ewers & Didham 2006). Plant species diversity is clearly decreasing from forest to jungle rubber to the plantation systems (Rembold et al. unpublished), which is not the case for the plant genetic diversity.

Correlations between tree species diversity and genetic diversity of one tree species could not be found (Wehenkel et al. 2009). Vellend & Geber (2005) suggested three theoretically possible ways genetic and species diversity can be connected, I. parallel effects on immigration of species, genetic drift and selection. II. strong genotypes influencing species diversity and III. species diversity is influencing selection of a given genotype. The second and third case are possible when comparing the same species composition in a competitive situation (Vellend 2006). In this study, land-use effects species diversity and genetic diversity, which represent the first case. Due to different species compositions in all plots, not all species interact and case II and III cannot be investigated. Oil palm and rubber plantation had the highest overlap of species composition but no pattern was visible that lower or higher species diversity had an impact on the genetic diversity of a species. The variation within the two land-use systems oil palm and rubber plantation was high for all four species diversity calculations. Probably management of the plantations and other environmental parameter are mainly influencing species composition and the genetic diversity of the dominant species. Case II and III could

only be detected if all other possible factors influencing genetic and species diversity can be excluded which is only possible in controlled experiments. To detect the direct influence of the both diversities to one another, species composition should stay the same with increasing diversity, which is in reality never the case (Vellend & Geber 2005).

In addition, no clear genetic diversity but clear species diversity decline was found, when comparing species diversity with the genetic diversity of three bat species in fragmented habitats in Malaysia (Struebig et al. 2011). The authors argued that the fragmentation effect of species diversity for bat species depends on their different life history traits.

Schweitzer et al. (2004) observed that polyphenol concentrations in *Populus fremontii* L., are determined by genetic variation and influences nitrogen mineralization rate. Nitrogen concentration and mineralization rate is depending available bacteria and fungi species in the soil. This would mean that the genetic variation of the tree species is influencing the nitrogen uptake, what could give certain individuals an advantage. In this study, polyphenol concentration was not investigated, but the changes in soil-nitrogen cycle leads to the conclusion that the nitrogen availability for plants differ among the land-use systems (Allen et al. 2015).

Nevertheless, Avolio & Smith (2013) suggested, that different responses of the two species and genetic diversity levels on environmental heterogeneity are responsible for non-existent correlation between species and genetic diversity. It is not possible to compare results of the competition studies here, since the species analysed here belong to several trophic levels. Species  $\alpha$ -diversity can influence genetic differentiation ( $\beta$ -diversity) and vice versa (Kahilainen et al. 2014), but for this analysis the data in this study was not yet available and will be carried out at a later point. However, the parallel mechanisms influencing species and genetic diversity are in this case land-use change and its consequences.

Correlations to species diversity of mycorrhiza and prokaryotes show the variation of species in their responses to land-use change. The mentioned correlations do not mean that one factor is causing the other one but already these four correlations show the manifold parameters within the complex ecosystem tropical rainforest, which is changing due to landuse change. Plants do not only have to adapt to the abiotic changes (e.g. consequences of erosion, precipitation) and the changes of their associated species (e.g. mycorrhiza diversity), habitat conditions and competition changes (species diversity), they also experience the effects of their declining population density.

However, the fast changes demand high genetic diversity to survive the increasing heterogeneity of habitats. Wrong categorising of an ecosystem only based on species diversity and abiotic factors can lead to the wrong assumption about a conservational important hotspot. It is necessary to define indicator parameters for the identification of ecosystems, which are able to conserve species and ecosystem services in time of immense human impact on natural resources. In particular because the results of this study show that species diversity of plants and other organisms cannot explain genetic diversity in different land-use systems.

## 4.2.2. SPECIES BASED ANALYSIS

# 4.2.2.1. GENETIC DIVERSITY OF THE COLLECTED SPECIES ACCORDING TO THEIR LIFE FORM

Using  $\alpha$ -genetic diversity it was not possible to distinguish all four land-use systems. The variability showed the high dependency on the collected species and their life history strategies in each plot. The life forms and life history strategies of the species were, as expected, distributed for the four land-use systems but not the genetic diversity. Trees dominated forest and jungle rubber and non-woody species the plantation systems. Species evolved into their own ecological, partly with other species overlapping, niche within the ecosystem (May & Arthur 1972). Landscape dynamics, ecosystem heterogeneity and the niche size is influencing the community similarity regarding their phylogenetic and intraspecific variance (Violle et al. 2012; Parks & Beiko 2012; Gascuel et al. 2015). The combination of genetic diversity and ecological niche factors can provide information of past and future range dynamics of a species (Fordham et al. 2014). However, species adapted to light and disturbance, have an advantage in the three transformed systems. Forest plots were very heterogeneous in light availability. Pioneer species, dominant in forest plots too, have lower genetic diversity and are more distant to individuals in jungle rubber. Only very common species ("generalists") have highest genetic diversity in the forest. Results indicate that species belonging to other life form groups experience the effects of a bottleneck or founder effects. On the other hand, Nevo (1978) found higher genetic diversity in common species compared to rare and specified species, thus it cannot be excluded that "generalists" do not experience bottleneck effects. Population density seemed to be more important than habitat requirements on genetic diversity, the niche requirements are deciding about species

presence (Laumonier 1997). Primary forest needs to be investigated to confirm that the low genetic diversity of the forest species analysed here is indeed low.

A tropical forest is temporally and spatially (horizontally and vertically) very heterogeneous, and one main factor influencing this is the light availability (Chazdon et. al 1996). Plant species adapt to different conditions via different life history strategies. Hence, tree species in this project were separated into three groups: pioneers, generalists and secondary species (Okuda et al. 2003). Pioneer species are early successional species, growing fast, adapted to conditions of sudden appearance of light after natural and small unnatural disturbances (Chazdon et. al 1996; Bazzaz & Pickett 1980). In contrast, late successional species, here called "secondary", are growing more slowly and are more shade tolerant during growing phase. Besides differences in water and nutrient use, light requirements of "pioneer" and "secondary" species differ in individual density, fruiting age, fruiting frequency and seed longevity (Bazzaz & Pickett 1980). These parameters have high influence on genetic patterns. A high number of collected species belong to climax species, but have a larger tolerance range of light availability. These species were combined here as "generalists". Jungle rubber, as an agroforest system, experiences regular disturbances and differs in the species composition to old growth forest.

Abundance of the species belonging to the three groups differed between forest and jungle rubber. In the forest, pioneer trees were not dominant (Harapan) or only with a small proportion of species (Bukit Dua Belas). Forest is dominated by species from the secondary and generalist group, jungle rubber with pioneer and generalist species. In Harapan the group "generalist" were the most abundant group. The dominance, in biomass, shift from late successional species in primary forest to pioneer species in disturbed forests was also observed in Malaysian lowland forests (Okuda et al. 2003). Finding "generalists" as the most abundant group in forest and jungle rubber indicate a highly degraded status of the forest.

Species of the groups "pioneer" and "secondary" showed higher genetic diversity in jungle rubber than in forest, "generalists" showed higher diversity in forest. The two "pioneer" species collected in rubber plantations had the highest genetic diversity of that group. Regarding the four ecosystems, no significant differences in mean genetic diversity could be detected in the three groups, which is not surprising due to the high variability of genetic diversity within each group. More accurate results could have been achieved by grouping th

species based on their reproduction system, but this information could not be obtained for most of the collected species.

# **4.2.2.2.** GENETIC STRUCTURE OF FREQUENTLY COLLECTED SPECIES

#### Group "secondary":

A surprising result was that species of the "secondary" group showed lowest genetic diversity in the forest systems. An explanation can be that the occurring "secondary" individuals in jungle rubber are remnants of the time before the logging event and the effects of use are not detectable yet in the dominant (oldest individuals). It is also possible that species of the group already experienced already in the forest the effects of forest fragmentation and have a decreased genetic diversity. Furthermore, individuals of forest are highly related to each other due to the highly fragmented forest and the loss of potential mating partners. Inbreeding coefficient cannot be calculated with reliability using AFLPs, hence the explanation could not be confirmed in this study. Both Dipterocarpaceae species H. mengerawan and S. ovalis showed very low differentiation among the plots, hence, there do not seem to be dispersal limitations among them. Dipterocarpaceae are assumed to be sensitive to fragmentation due to their dependency on animals as dispersal vectors, heavy seeds and their low population density (Ng et al. 2006). It is reported that Dipterocarpaceae have a weak self-incompability system and apomixis is possible (Ng et al. 2006), although this family is a mainly outcrossing species and pollen is the main contributor to gene flow (Appanah & Turnbull 1998, Finkeldey & Hattemer 2007). Cao et al. (2006) investigated two Shorea (Dipterocarpaceae) species, also threatened by deforestation in Indonesia, using AFLPs. The detected genetic diversity (Shannon Index) showed similar values, but lower within population variance as the values of the species Shorea ovalis, investigated in this project. Studies confirm the different effect of land-use change on species. A Malayan study about Shorea ovalis spp. sericea observed only little differences in genetic diversity between natural forest and logged forest stands analysing three different tree size categories, but the overall gene diversity was six times higher than in this study (He = 0.185) (Ng et al. 2009). A comparison of three species confirmed that the degree of isolation for Dipterocarpaceae depends on their dispersal vectors, especially pollen carrying insects (Kettle et al. 2011). Even with large differences between species, the low genetic diversity within each plot can lead to the assumption of a low number of potential

mating partners. Also the age of the sampled individuals is influencing genetic differentiation, after logging the remaining individuals are younger and their relationship to each other is closer (Ng et al. 2009)

Artocarpus elasticus (Moraceae) and Croton argyratus (Euphorbiaceae) are species used by humans. *C. argyratus* was dominant in the forest and *A. elasticus* in jungle rubber. *C. argyratus* showed separation between the two regions and highest differentiation among the populations ( $\phi_{PT} = 0.368$ ). *A. elasticus* showed low differentiation among the plots and no separation between the regions. The jungle rubber species does not seem to experience consequences of fragmentation. There was no other study about genetic patterns of *A. elasticus* and *C. argyratus* available. A comparison of several *Artocarpus* species in cultivar in several regions of the world showed close relationships between the two *Artocarpus* species, which were analysed in this study. Due to vegetative propagation of *Artocarpus* cultivars, the genetic diversity was considerably lower than in this study (Zerega et al 2006). *S. ovalis* and *C. argyratus* show similar genetic diversity per plot but the opposite results in differentiation among populations. To confirm the differences between the two Dipterocarpaceae species and the two used species, individuals of *H. mengerawan* and *S. ovalis* need to be compared in both regions. Still for all four species the low genetic diversity in each plot leads to the conclusion that genetic diversiy has been lost in these populations.

### Group "pioneer":

Species of the "pioneer" group also showed high variability in the degree of differentiation among plots. There was separation between jungle rubber and forest but rubber plantations and regions could not be distinguished. The two forest plots are geographically and genetically very close to each other. That one jungle rubber plot BJ3 and rubber plantation plot are grouped together was surprising because  $\phi_{PT}$  values also showed high differentiation between these two plots. Higher differentiation of the individuals in the rubber plantation plots to the individuals in jungle rubber plots can be explained by the larger geographic distances to other individuals. Two species were dominant in rubber plantations *Parkia speciosa*, a fruiting tree, which is used by humans, and *Macaranga bancana*, a fast growing pioneer tree. Overall, no signs of gene flow limitation among the two regions or land-use systems were detected.

M. bancana is closely associated with ants, which protect them against herbivores, but seed dispersal vectors are several bird or squirrel species (Bänfer et al. 2004), pollinators are mainly thrips species (Guicking et al. 2013). Genetic diversity for M. bancana was high in all plots (I<sub>mean</sub> = 0.44). Macaranga species are mainly distributed along streets and rivers and forest gaps (pers. obs., Murase et al 2003) and showed increased abundance due to forest fragmentation (Bänfer et al. 2006; Guicking et al. 2013). Phylogeographic analyses of Macaranga species in South East Asia suggests, wide dispersal ranges and possible hybridization events in the past (Bänfer et al. 2006). Guicking et al. (2013) expect that thrips are able to manage large flight distances in open habitats, which are typical for pioneer species like Macaranga. These factors might be a reason for the high genetic diversity of M. bancana, but also can explain the low differentiation among plots, land-use systems and regions. M. bancana and C. argyratus showed highest differentiation of all tree species among plots. The presence of "pioneer" species and their colonizing of new habitats are part of spatial and temporal dynamics of succession in a landscape. Furthermore, for conservation plans information about disturbance length, distances to other patches of populations within the landscape and patch lifespan are crucial (Bossuyt & Honnay 2006).

#### Group "generalist":

Similar to the other species, the four analysed species of the "generalist" group showed variability in their differentiation among plots and regions. *Aporosa nitida* and *Porterandia anisophylla* plots separated into the two regions, *Parkia speciosa* and *Alstonia scholaris* did not show any differentiation among regions or land-use system.

Due to the edible fruits, some farmers do not cut *P. speciosa* individuals in rubber plantations, thus higher abundance and increased genetic diversity was expected. Nevertheless, *P. speciosa* showed very low genetic diversity (I = 0.10) in rubber plantations. Ratnam & Boyle (2000) suggested that harvesting fruits has a higher impact on genetic diversity and regeneration of *P. speciosa* than logging. Logging itself does not reduce the genetic diversity of a species but the gene pool of naturally regenerated progenies differs compared to the parental individuals (Ratnam & Boyle 2000). Over time, this result could lead to lower genetic diversity of a population. Furthermore, isolation by distance could be a reason for the lower Shannon Index in rubber plantations and forest plots.

Comparable studies could not be found for neither the species, nor the genus of the collected species.

*P. anisophylla* showed highest differentiation among plots of the four generalists analysed in detail and separated between the two regions with a high reliability (80%). Individuals in the Bukit Dua Belas region showed lower genetic diversity than the individuals in Harapan even though the abundance was similar. *A. scholaris* is a very common species, which can explain the low differentiation among the plots and relatively high genetic diversities per plot. *A. nititda* showed separation between the two regions but also clear separation of BF1 and BF2 from the third forest plot in Bukit Dua Belas. Differentiation was similar to *P. speciosa* which has similar habitat requirements (Prosea book).

The analysed individuals of all species in plot BF1 and BF2, independent from their life history traits, showed greater distance to the individuals of the same species in other plots. BF1 and BF2 distance cannot be explained by the geographic distance but the habitat of these two plots differs from all other forest plots. The plots are located surrounded by disturbed and partly complete logged areas. Furthermore, the plots are on top of a crest surrounded by small creeks and very heterogeneous vegetation and habitats.

Primary and secondary forests differ in their proportion of pioneer and late successional species and the proportion of large trees (above 20 m) (Gouyon et al. 1993). Most of the secondary forest in Sumatra belonged to jungle rubber (Gouyon et al. 1993). The high number of "secondary" species and suggests a high degree of disturbance of the forest plots in this study. "Generalists" and "secondary" species occur in a very similar proportion in the forest.

## Crop species:

Low genetic diversity and low differentiation of the two crop species were expected. Oil palm and rubber are both non-native in Indonesia. Rubber was brought to Asia 1876 (Wickham seeds) from the Amazonian basin (Besse et al. 1994). Cultivation is conducted by vegetative propagation of the clones. *H. brasiliensis* is an outcrossing species but the seed yield is very low, due to inbreeding depression (Lespinasse et al. 2000). Mean genetic diversity did not differ between the jungle rubber and rubber plantation, probably due to the similar age and the same available planting material. Rubber clones originated from the Amazonian basin

used outside South America showed similar high relationships among the samples and did not decrease extremely compared to wild rubber (Besse et al. 1994). Explanations for the opposing phenomena of inbreeding depression and not too extreme decline of genetic

diversity were not suggested in that paper. Clones from other populations were brought to Asia (Clement-Demange 2007), but it is not clear which one was brought to Indonesia. Probably the planting material, used in all plots, is originated from the same clone.

The used planting material for Indonesian plantations are from breeding projects and are based on two groups, "A" and "B" carried out by the Indonesian Oil Palm Research Institute (IOPRI) (Purba et al. 2000). Comparing four populations from four different origins in Africa of the IOPRI total number of Percentage of Polymorphic Loci was 61%, which is only a little higher than the results of this study. The lower results lead to the conclusion that the planting material in the analysed plantations originated from one or two of the four populations. BO2 and BO5 showed high distance to all other individuals from both regions (bootstraps 99%). It is also possible that BO2 and BO5 differ in age, planting year or planting material. The oldest sampled plot HO1 showed also with HO4 higher distance to other plots. Oil palm showed higher differentiation among the plots than rubber individuals, probably due to the different production of planting material. Oil palm seeds are planted and for rubber clonal propagation is carried out.

#### Herb species:

Herbs are expected to have a lower genetic diversity and higher differentiation among populations than trees due to smaller dispersal range and shorter life cycle span (Hamrick et al. 1979). No herb species analysed in detail, showed any structure between the two regions but significant differentiation among plots. *Clidemia hirta, Asystasia gangetica* are both invasive and introduced species, *Melastoma malbrathicum* and *Spermacoce alata* are pioneer species. Only *M. malabrathicum* is native in Indonesia (Gross 1993). All three *A. gangetica* populations showed high variance among the plots but the plots did not separate into the two regions. *M. malabrathicum* showed lowest differentiation of the four selected herb species. *M. malabrathicum* is mainly outcrossing and the dependency on pollinators supports the stability of the genetic diversity level (Gross 1993). *S. alata* is an outcrossing species but vegetative growth can occur too. S. alata showed second highest differentiation but the

genetic diversity within each plot was very low, which leads to the conlcusion that vegetative growth was the main reproduction strategy in the analysed plots.

Furthermore, *A. gangetica* is a polyploid species, which gives advantages under adaptation pressure (Pandit et al. 2006) and increases genetic diversity when using a whole genome molecular marker system like AFLPs. As colonizing species, all four species are highly adapted to disturbed habitats. The founder effect, i.e. the loss of genetic variation due to a small population size, occurs e.g. when plants are introduced. The loss of genetic variation can be reduced with a high population growth rate (Allendorf & Luikart 2007). Genetic diversity and differentiation among populations are low, thus populations do not seem isolated but founder effects might contribute to the low genetic diversity.

*C. hirta* showed similar results in other tropical countries, were it was introduced, low genetic diversity but no detectable differentiation among populations due to probable high gene flow rates and maybe multiple introductions in Hawaiian Islands (DeWalt & Hamrick 2004).

#### Grass species:

*Axonopus compressus* is native in tropical America and was introduced to Indonesia around 1900. Sexual reproduction and vegetative growth is common (Holm et al 1977).

*Centotheca lappacea* and *Scleria bancana* are native in Asia. *A. compressus* and *C. lappacea* are considered as invasive species (Jagoe n.d.; Ramana et al. 2014; Holm et al. 1977) . All three species do not separate into the land-use systems but differ significantly among the sampled plots. A. compressus and S. bancana showed in contrast high differentiation among the plots. Although no studies about the reproduction system of *A. compressus* are available, the very low genetic diversity of *A. compressus*, the high differentiation among plots and being an invasive species suggest that vegetative growth and apomixis are the dominant reproduction systems for the analysed individuals. Too little is known about *A. compressus* to explain the different genetic diversity and low differentiation among the plots. A detailed study about *C. lappacea* at the same research sites as this project but including jungle rubber also showed no differentiation among plots (Hodac et al. 2016). *Scleria bancana* belonging to the Cyperaceae is considered as a colonizing species

and reproduces via seeds and rhizomes (Bryson & Carter 2008). Hence, shows the same features as the non-native invasive grass species.

#### Fern species:

The three analysed fern species showed no effect of the two regions and low differentiation among plots. Only *Dicranopteris linearis* was dominant in a rubber plantation, the other two were epiphytic growing on oil palm. Genetic diversity differed among the fern species like all other life forms. Three aspects are influencing ferns in their genetic diversity the most, large genome/ polyploidy, their two life-cycle stages and non-sexual reproduction. Due to the two life-cycle stages, gametophyte and sporophyte, two stages of dispersal and reproduction, i.e. higher genetic diversity, can occur. Nevertheless, in both stages non-sexual reproduction can occur which reduces the genetic diversity. The gametophyte can develop into a sporophyte without fertilisation, with self-fertilisation and outcrossing, the sporophyte can grow vegetative via rhizomes (Page 2002). Spores founding a population can be self-fertile showing no genetic diversity, but several strategies lead to some genetic variation in the new population (Schneller et al. 1998; Ootsuki et al. 2012). For the two G. verrucosum and N. acutifolia, no genetic diversity data were available, but considering their epiphytic growth on oil palm, no habitat restriction occurs for the two species in Jambi Province. In contrast to G. verrucosum and D. linearis, N. acutifolia showed low genetic diversity within each plot. Since samples were taken from oil palms, with maximum distance in each plot, vegetative growth might be unlikely to be the reason for the low level of genetic diversity. Events of selffertilisation of the gametophyte may be higher than in G. verrucosum and D. linearis. Clonal growth is the main reproduction form of *D. linearis* but intergametophytic sexual reproduction occurs and is common at early successional sites in Hawaii (Russell et al. 1999). Genetic diversity was lower than in this study but the populations in Hawaii were more isolated.

# 4.3. CONCLUSIONS

The present study provides a method to investigate the genetic diversity of dominant plant species due to land-use change. To obtain information about the genetic resources in the remaining forest in the tropics can improve conservation management of natural ecosystems. The first hypothesis, dominating plant species do not overlap among land-use systems, could not be confirmed since rubber and oil palm plantations share several species, but the total species composition and genetic relationship among the individuals let all plots of each land-use system group together.

The second hypothesis that mean genetic diversity declines from forest to jungle rubber to rubber and oil palm plantations was tested with two approaches, species diversity and species differentiation at three spatial scales, and could not be confirmed either. Mean values per plot showed two groups in genetic diversity: the tree-dominated group with high genetic diversity and the plantation systems with low genetic diversity.

Mean differentiation, the third hypothesis, showed no significant differences among the landuse systems. Furthermore, results indicate the dependency of genetic diversity on life form and life history traits of each species. The results could show different patterns of differentiation comparing the three spatial scales in each land-use system.

The analysis of dominant species is a possibility to identify areas of high genetic value. The plantation systems are seldom dominated by native non-colonizing species and are not potential habitats for preserving genetic diversity. Species in the forest plots already experienced the consequences of habitats loss and fragmentation, which shows the urge of the necessity for effective conservation management plans of remaining forest in Sumatra. Comparing forest and jungle rubber, the level of genetic diversity of the agroforest system is higher and does not decline like the forest on the larger scale. This study identifies jungle rubber as a buffer ecosystem with potential of partly conserving genetic diversity, like other studies already suggested regarding species diversity (Michon & de Foresta 1995; Michon & Foresta 1996; Laumonier 1997; Beukema et al. 2007; Laumonier et al. 2010a). Agroforestry systems cannot replace natural forest, but can be buffer zones between natural vegetation and agricultural used systems. Agroforest systems have the advantage of being a traditional land-use system of the local population and has more acceptance than unused forest (Michon & Foresta 1995). Nevertheless, in forests, species richness is higher and species composition is different (Laumonier 1997; Rembold unpublished). The amount of primary forest species,

which an agroforest patch can contain, depends on their age and distance to natural forests. If these two factors are taken systematically into account they can be buffer zones among agricultural used land and natural forest and provide a genetic resources reservoir (Laumonier 1997). Villamor (2012) could simulate that with payment for ecosystem services (PES) and low land cover change, species richness can be stabilized, carbon emission can be reduced and the profitability of jungle rubber increased in Jambi Province. Compared to rubber, palm oil agriculture is a higher threat to biodiversity in Indonesia (Koh & Wilcove 2008). Furthermore, oil palm is in Indonesia usually cultivated in monocultures, which lowers the proportion of agroforest system in the region. This situation is enhanced due to the conversion of rubber plantations and agroforest with rubber to oil palm monocultures (Corley & Tinker 2003). Hence, the main focus should be developing sustainable agroforest systems with oil palm. Nevertheless, competition for light, nutrients, water and the human yield expectations make it more difficult to establish agroforest systems with oil palm than with rubber. Environmental impacts induced by the rapid expansion of oil palm in Indonesia, need to be reduced and managed (Laurance et al. 2010). The non-profit organization Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) mentioned in their criteria and principles (RSPO 2013), that habitats with High Conservation Value (HCV) should be maintained and considered in the management plan of an oil palm plantation (RSPO 2013). The international Convention on Biological Diversity defined the Aichi Biodiversity Targets, where genetic diversity is included too (https://www.cbd.int/sp/targets/). However, criteria how to identify HCV or Aichi biodiversity in each ecosystem, were not defined. The theoretical design of Koh et al. (2009) tries to find a compromise between conservational and economic interests in a tropical landscape. The planned mosaic landscape contains forest fragments, continuous forest, monocultures and agroforestry parts. Agroforest presents buffer zones and increases connectivity between HCV habitats (e.g. primary forest). In the overall landscape, biodiversity, ecosystem function and human welfare is assured. Koh et al. (2009) refers to HCV of the RSPO when describing the protected areas.

Rules and indicators for HCV habitats would give the possibility to design landscapes with effective palm oil (or other crops) productivity, buffer zones and areas of natural forest. Adding genetic diversity information of the plant community to the indicators of HCV habitats when, e.g. determining protected areas or designing a mosaic landscape with protected and used areas, would increase the probability of succeeding in conserving genetic resources.

Besides the mosaic model, enrichment planting is another possibility to increase connectivity of forest patches and improve ecological and biodiversity parameters in oil palm plantations (Teuscher et al. unpublished). In any sustainable management of the mosaic landscape, HCV or enrichment planting of monocultures, genetic resources have to be considered too. In economically used plants, the preservation of genetic resources is already considered (Rao & Hodgkin 2002). They mainly have been investigated in terms of the genetic consequences of deforestation; but it does not cover the complete species diversity in tropical forests (Wickneswari & Cannon 2011). The conservation of forest genetic resources uses two approaches, in situ (on site) and ex situ (off site), to preserve genetic resources of endangered and/ or important species (FAO 2014). Current strategies do not consider species of noneconomic but ecosystem functioning value. The overall estimation for conservation plans of natural vegetation and forest are based on results of single species (Namkoong 1999, FAO 2014). Namkoong et al. (1996) show the high variation of genetic diversity threats but also the high number of developed conservation practices, which is considering the diversity of countries and forest requirements. Albeit the variability is also a difficulty. Porter-Bolland et al. (2012) found that in all tropical regions, protected areas are not adequately managed, due to the high pressure of many factors, e.g. agricultural expansion, infrastructure development and human population growth, enhancing deforestation. Cross-country monitoring and uniformed conservation goals like the Aichi Targets and strategic plan (https://www.cbd.int) may increase data reliability and conservation success (Morales-Hidalgo et al. 2015).

Genetic diversity needs to be included in the defining criteria of HCVs, to improve the sustainability of ecosystem and biodiversity conservation plans. Instead of estimations and maybe neglecting important local species, the fragment pool approach is analysing dominant species in different ecosystems or different regions regarding their genetic diversity can also give an overview of the genetic diversity level of several areas and help to choose which species might be important in its genetic pattern and ecological role within the analysed ecosystem(s). Even with a low number of individuals, results show different behaviour of the plant communities in the different land-use systems. Especially in the highly heterogeneous and fast changing tropical ecosystems, it is necessary to have a universal applicable method to identify HCV habitats. The main disadvantage of the method used in this study, neglecting individuals with low density, can be avoided by extending the analysis in the important areas according to the already existing information. This study showed that the fragment pool

differentiation analysis of dominant species using AFLPs marker, is an adequate method to identify HCV regarding genetic diversity of plant communities. Including genetic diversity of plants in conservation management plans would increase the chances to conserve biodiversity of natural ecosystems, not only in Indonesia, particularly with regard to future challenges caused by forest loss and climate change. SUMMARY

# 5. SUMMARY

Forest are covering globally 31 % of the terrestrial area. Tropical rainforests cover 5 % of the terrestrial surface and are biodiversity hotspots due to their high number of endemic species and high species richness. The agricultural expansion increases the deforestation rate in Indonesia to the highest worldwide. Main land-use change drivers in Indonesia are logging, mining activities and the production of rubber (Hevea brasiliensis) and palm oil (Elaeis guineensis), which leads to a forest conversion rate of 20 000 km<sup>2</sup>/ year. Whereas tropical rainforest are an important carbon storage, the global consequences of its conversion, can only be estimated. Local consequences are habitat loss and the fragmentation and degradation of the remnant forest areas. In remaining and degraded forest patches species diversity declines and species composition is altered. Investigations of single species regarding habitat fragmentation effects on genetic diversity of plants showed different responses depending on the specific life history traits of each species. In general, a loss of genetic resources is expected due to genetic drift, reduced gene flow caused by reduced connectivity of remaining forest patches and lower effective population size. This can lead to an altered genetic population structure of the fragmented species, which increases the probability of extinction. The habitat fragmentation effect on the genetic structure was until now only investigated for single species and not for plant communities. In addition, the effect of landuse change on the genetic structure of plants has not been investigated yet.

The aim of this study was to estimate the genetic diversity of dominant plant species in four different agricultural intensities in Sumatra, Indonesia. Using the anonymous AFLP marker, the genetic diversity of ten dominant plant species, with ten individuals respectively, was investigated in four different systems: old growth tropical lowland rainforest, jungle rubber, rubber plantation and oil palm plantation. The four systems were investigated in two regions with four replicates, respectively, which leads to a total of 3200 samples collected in all plots. Due to different species compositions, characterized by different life history traits, a decline of genetic diversity from forest to jungle rubber to rubber plantation to oil palm plantation was expected. Two approaches were carried out, one considering all ten species as a community and second analysing single frequently dominant species. For the community based analysis, two analyses were carried out, one fragment pool approach, were all AFLP fragments of the occurring species were combined in one fragment pool and the

differentiation was calculated. Moreover, a species approach, where genetic diversity was calculated for each species in all plots, respectively. To test for significant differences among the four systems a mixed effect model was fitted for both approaches. Furthermore, genetic diversity was correlated with the species diversity of plants, mycorrhiza and prokaryotes to test for similar responses to land-use change. For the species based approach frequently collected species were investigated regarding the genetic population structure and differentiation of populations (plots) within and among land-use systems and were grouped according to their life form.

Results of the community analyses with fragment pool and species approach, indicate no direct correlation between genetic diversity of dominant plant species and land-use system. Nevertheless, land-use change caused a different species composition with different characteristics influencing genetic diversity and differentiation. The results identified two levels of genetic diversity, high diversity in the tree-dominated systems and low genetic diversity in the plantation systems. The species based analyses showed a high variability of the different species in their responses to land-use change. Forest species results indicate a loss of genetic diversity. The two plantation systems are dominated by invasive, colonizing species, which are adapted to disturbance. Thus, the mean genetic diversity level of the plantation plots were higher than expected.

The fragment pool approach present an easy and flexible method to estimate the genetic diversity of different land-use systems. The provided results can be used to identify habitats of high conservational value and support conservational management plans of tropical forests.

# 6. ZUSAMMENFASSUNG

Wälder bedecken 31 % der Landflächen weltweit. Aufgrund ihrer hohen Anzahl an endemischen Arten und ihrem hohen Artenreichtum gehören tropische Regenwälder zu den Biodiversitätshotspots der Welt. Die Ausbreitung von landwirtschaftlich genutzten Flächen führte zu einer verstärkten Degradierung und Waldverlust in Indonesien, die zum heutigen Zeitpunkt global am höchsten ist. Hauptsächliche Ursachen für die Entwaldung des tropischen Regenwaldes in Indonesien sind Holznutzung, Rohstoffabbau und die Produktion von Kautschuk (*Hevea brasiliensis*) und Palmöl (*Elaeis guineensis*), daraus folgt eine jährliche Umwandlungsrate von 20 000 km<sup>2</sup> von natürlichem Regenwald in genutzte Flächen.

Die weltweiten Konsequenzen der Entwaldung können nur geschätzt werden. Lokale Folgen sind Habitatverlust, Fragmentierung und Degradierung von verbleibenden Wäldern. In den verbleibenden Waldfragmenten kommt es zu einer Reduzierung der Artendiversität und einer Veränderung der Artenkombination. Untersuchungen von einzelnen Arten über die Folgen von Habitatfragmentierung auf die genetische Diversität von Pflanzen, zeigen unterschiedliche Ergebnisse, die von den artspezifischen Lebenszyklusstrategien abhängen. Im Allgemeinen ist ein Verlust von genetischen Ressourcen durch genetische Drift und reduzierten Genfluss Dies entsteht durch die verminderte zu erwarten. Austauschkonnektivität der verbleibenden Waldareale und die reduzierte effektive Populationsgröße der dort vorkommenden Arten. Dies kann zu einer Veränderung der genetischen Populationsstruktur der fragmentierten Arten führten, was eine Erhöhung der Wahrscheinlichkeit des Aussterbens der Art zur Folge hat. Der Effekt von Habitat-Fragmentierung auf die genetische Struktur wurde bisher nur für einzelne Pflanzenarten und nicht für Pflanzengemeinschaften untersucht. Weiterhin wurden keine Studien über die Folgen von Landnutzungsveränderungen auf die genetische Diversität von Pflanzen durchgeführt.

Das Ziel der vorliegenden Studie war die genetische Diversität von dominanten Pflanzenarten in vier verschiedener Systeme mit unterschiedlicher landwirtschaftlicher Intensität in Sumatra, Indonesien, zu untersuchen. Anonyme AFLP Marker wurden genutzt, um die genetische Diversität von zehn dominanten Pflanzenarten, mit jeweils zehn Individuen, in den folgenden vier Landnutzungssystemen abzuschätzen: altgewachsener tropischer Tieflandregenwald, Kautschuk-Dschungel, Kautschukplantage und Palmölplantage. Die vier

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Systeme mit jeweils vier Replikaten, wurden in zwei Regionen untersucht, dies ergab eine Gesamtprobenanzahl von 3200.

Durch unterschiedliche Artenkompositionen, die durch unterschiedliche Eigenschaften charakterisiert sind, wurde ein Abfall von genetischer Diversität von Wald zu Kautschuk-Dschungel zu Kautschukplantage zu Palmölplantage erwartet. Bei den Analysen wurden zwei Ansätze verwendet, bei dem Ersten wurde jeder Plot als eine Pflanzengemeinschaft betrachtet und bei dem Zweiten einzelne, häufig dominierende, Arten analysiert. Für die Gemeinschaftsanalyse wurden wiederum zwei Ansätze durchgeführt: Erstens der Fragmentpool-Ansatz, bei dem alle AFLP Fragmente der dominanten Arten in einem Fragment-Pool kombiniert wurden und deren genetische Differenzierung berechnet wurden. Zweitens der Artenansatz, bei dem die genetische Diversität pro Art im jeweiligen Plot berechnet wurde. Um die Landnutzungssystem auf genetische Unterschiede zu testen wurde ein "Mixed effect model" für beide Ansätze der Gemeinschaftsanalyse benutzt.

Außerdem wurde die genetische Diversität mit der Diversität von Pflanzenarten, Mykorrhizaarten und Prokaryotenarten korreliert, um die Reaktionsähnlichkeit der Parameter auf Landnutzungsveränderungen abzuschätzen. Die häufig dominanten Arten wurden hinsichtlich ihrer Populationsstruktur und der Populationsdifferenzierung innerhalb und zwischen den Landnutzungssystemen untersucht. Weiterhin wurden Arten nach ihrer Lebensform gruppiert und auf signifikante Unterschiede getestet.

Ergebnisse der Gemeinschaftsanalyse mit dem Fragmentpool-Ansatz und dem Artenansatz zeigten keine direkte Korrelation zwischen genetischer Diversität dominanter Pflanzen und dem Landnutzungssystem. Aber aufgrund der Landnutzungsveränderung gibt es unterschiedliche Artenkompositionen im jeweiligen System, die mit ihren unterschiedlichen Eigenschaften, unterschiedliche Diversitäts- und Differenzierungsmuster aufweisen. Die Landnutzungssystem konnten in zwei Gruppen eingeteilt werden, die Baumdominierten Systeme mit hoher genetischer Diversität und die zwei Plantagensysteme mit niedriger genetischer Diversität.

Die Analysen basierend auf den einzelnen häufigen Arten zeigen eine hohe Variabilität in der Artenreaktion auf die Landnutzungsveränderungen. Waldarten weisen unterschiedliche Verlustgrade von genetischer Diversität auf. Plantagen werden hauptsächlich von invasiven, kolonisierenden Arten dominiert, die an Störungen adaptiert sind. Daher zeigten die Plantagenplots im Mittel höhere genetische Diversitätslevel als erwartet.

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Der Fragmentpool Ansatz stellt eine flexible Methode die genetische Diversität von unterschiedlichen Landnutzungssystemen zu schätzen und zu vergleichen. Die Ergebnisse können zur Identifikation von Flächen mit wichtigen Naturschutzstatus genutzt werden und Naturschutzpläne von tropischen Ökosystemen unterstützen.

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## 9. APPENDIX

Appendix 1: Collected species in alphabetic order. Author names according to www.plantlist.org (May 2015).

Species	Family
Acronychia pendunculata (L.) Miq.	Rutaceae
Ageratum conyzoides (L.) L.	Compositae
Allophylus cobbe (L.) Raeusch.	Sapindaceae
Alseodaphne sp.	Lauraceae
Alstonia angustiloba Miq.	Apocynaceae
Alstonia scholaris (L.) R. Br.	Apocynaceae
Aporosa nitida Merr.	Phyllanthaceae
Aporosa sp. II	Phyllanthaceae
Archidendron bubalinum (Jack) I. C. Nielsen	Leguminosae
Artocarpus elasticus Reinw. ex Blume	Moraceae
Artocarpus kemando Miq.	Moraceae
Artocarpus sp. l	Moraceae
Asystasia indica H.J.Chowdhery & Av.Bhattacharjee	Acanthaceae
Axonopus compressus (Sw.) P.Beauv.	Poaceae
Baccaurea sp. l	Phyllanthaceae
Baccaurea sp. II	Phyllanthaceae
Baccaurea sp. III	Phyllanthaceae
Bauhinia semibifida Roxb.	Leguminosae
Blechnum orientale L.	Blechnaceae
Campnosperma coriaceum (Jack) Hallier f.	Anacardiaceae
Campnosperma sp.	Anacardiaceae
Centotheca lappacea (L.) Desv.	Poaceae
Centrosema pubescens Benth.	Leguminosae
Christella dentata (Forssk.) Brownsey & Jermy	Thelypteridaceae
Cleidion sp.	Euphorbiaceae
Clerodendrum sp.	Lamiaceae
<i>Clidemia hirta</i> (L.) D. Don	Melastomataceae
Conarus sp.	Conaraceae
Cratoxylum sumatranum (Jack) Blume	Hypericaceae
Croton agrarius Baill.	Euphorbiaceae
Croton sp. II	Euphorbiaceae
Curculigo orchioides Gaertn.	Hypoxidaceae
Curculigo sp.II	Hypoxidaceae
Dacryodes sp.	Burseraceae
Daemonorops sp.	Arecaceae
Dicranopteris linearis (Burm. f.) Underw.	Gleicheniaceae
Dillenia excels (Jack) Martelli ex Gilg.	Dilleniaceae
Elaeis guineensis Jacq.	Arecaceae
Endospermum diadenum (Miq.) Airy Shaw	Euphorbiaceae

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Endospermum sp. II Etlingera cf. coccinea (Blume) S. Sakai & Nagam. Fagraea racemosa Jack Ficus ribes Reinw. ex Blume Ficus sp. I Ficus sp. II Ficus sp. III Gironniera nervosa Planch. Gironniera subaequalis Planch. Glochidion sp. Goniophlebium verrucosum J. Sm (unresolved) Gordonia excelsa (Blume) Blume Hevea brasiliensis (Willd. ex A.Juss) Müll. Arg. Homalanthus sp. Hopea mengarawan (Miq.) (unresolved) Horsfielda sp. I Hymenodictyon orixense (Roxb.) Mabb. Hymenodictyon sp. Imperata cylindrical (L.) Raeusch. Ixonanthes icosandra Jack (unresolved) Lantana camara L. Litsea umbellata (Lour.) Merr. Lygodium cf. salicifolium C.Presl (unresolved) Lygodium circinatum (Burm. f.) Sw. Maasia sumatrana (Miq.) Mols, Kessler & Rogstad Macaranga bancana (Miq.) Müll.Arg. Macaranga cf. conifera (Rchb.f. & Zoll.) Müll.Arg. Macaranga gigantea (Rchb.f. & Zoll.) Müll.Arg. Macaranga javanica (Blume) Müll.Arg. Macaranga sp.l Macaranga tanarius (L.)Müll.Arg. Madhuca sp. Melastoma malabathricum L. Memecylon sp. Microcos hirsuta (Korth.) Burret Mikania micrantha Kunth Mussaenda frondosa L. Myristica maxima Warb. (unresolved) Nephrolepis acutifolia (Desv.) Christ Otophora amoena (Hassk.) Blume Ottochloa nodosa sp. I (phenotypic identical with II) Ottochloa nodosa sp. II (phenotypic identical with I) Oxalis sp. Palaquium gutta (Hook) Baill. Parkia speciosa Hassk.

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Peronema canescens Jack Phyllanthus reticulatus Poir. Phyllanthus urinaria L. Porterandia anisophylla (Jack ex Roxb.) Ridl. Pternandra caerulescens Jack Pternandra cordata Baill. (unresolved) Rauvolfia sumatrana Jack Rolandra fructicosa (L.) Kuntze Rosenbergiodendron longiflorum (Ruiz & Pav.) Fageri. Santiria acuminata K. Schum. (unresolved) Santiria laevigata Blume (unresolved) Santiria rubiginosa Blume (unresolved) Spatholobus ferrugineus (Zoll. & Moritzi) Benth. Sauropus sp. Scleria ciliaris Nees Shorea ovalis Blume (unresolved) Sindora leiocarpa de Wit Spermacoce alata Aubl. Stachytarpheta jamaicensis (L.) Vahl Stenochlaena palustris (Burm. f.) Bedd. Symplocos fasciculata Zoll. (unresolved) Syzygium sp. I Syzygium sp. II Syzygium sp. III Tabernaemontana macrocarpa Jack Taenitis blechnoides (Willd.) Sw. Vitex pinnata L. Wendlandia sp.

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Region	Land-use system	Plot	Species	category	l (α-level)	I (β-level)	l (γ-level)	C (α-level)	C (β-level)	C (γ-level)
В	F	BF1	Croton agrarius	secondary	0.31	0.3252	0.3252	0.22959511	0.22253746	0.22253746
В	F	BF1	Endospermum malayanum	pioneer	0.2	0.2	0.355	0.0979607	0.0979607	0.12049988
В	F	BF1	Porterandia anisophylla	generalist	0.13	0.2319	0.2319	0.06774951	0.09655705	0.09655705
В	F	BF1	Acronynchia penduncula	generalist	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.06790242	0.06790242	0.06790242
В	F	BF1	Tabernaemontana macrocarpa	secondary	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.03393138	0.03393138	0.03393138
В	F	BF1	Gironniera nervosa	generalist	0.33	0.3263	0.3263	0.18090628	0.18090628	0.18090628
В	F	BF1	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.3	0.3	0.4879	0.17234721	0.17234721	0.2984821
В	F	BF1	Aporosa nitida	generalist	0.23	0.5254	0.5254	0.09795998	0.14139987	0.14139987
В	F	BF1	Santiria laevigata	pioneer	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.05341447	0.05341447	0.05341447
В	F	BF2	Croton agrarius	secondary	0.24	0.3252	0.3252	0.17635449	0.19731822	0.19731822
В	F	BF2	<i>Syzygium</i> sp. IV	generalist	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.29819872	0.29819872	0.29819872
В	F	BF2	Microcos hirsuta	generalist	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.0398458	0.0398458	0.0398458
В	F	BF2	Etlingera coccinea	herb	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.09827915	0.09827915	0.09827915
В	F	BF2	Aporosa nitida	generalist	0.5	0.5254	0.5254	0.20711412	0.19081126	0.19081126
В	F	BF2	Otophora amoena	generalist	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.26517925	0.26517925	0.26517925
В	F	BF2	Allophylus cobbe	secondary	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.15882417	0.15882417	0.15882417
В	F	BF2	Maasia sumatrana	secondary	0.31	0.5953	0.5953	0.15682708	0.25972193	0.25972193
В	F	BF3	Baccaurea sp. III	secondary	0.2165	0.3392	0.3392	0.1261903	0.14027156	0.14027156
В	F	BF3	Archidendron bubalium	secondary	0.2675	0.3197	0.3197	0.13732503	0.1444981	0.1444981
В	F	BF3	Porterandia anisophylla	generalist	0.1567	0.2319	0.2319	0.08157389	0.09320228	0.09320228
В	F	BF3	Gironniera subaqualis	generalist	0.4281	0.4281	0.4281	0.26574224	0.26574224	0.26574224
В	F	BF3	Maasia sumatrana	secondary	0.5052	0.5953	0.5953	0.24856024	0.30317448	0.30317448
В	F	BF3	<i>Syzygium</i> sp. ll	generalist	0.3281	0.4396	0.4396	0.19018836	0.21989794	0.21989794
В	F	BF3	Baccaurea sp. l	secondary	0.1512	0.2015	0.2015	0.07473469	0.07935231	0.07935231
В	F	BF3	Dacryodes sp.	secondary	0.3019	0.3019	0.3019	0.11605214	0.11605214	0.11605214

**Appendix 2:** Shannon Index (I, α-, β-, γ- level), Morisita-Horn Index per species (C, α-, β-, γ- level), plant category and land-use system for each species per plot. Regions Bukit Dua Belas (B) region Harapan (H). The land-use systems forest (F), jungle rubber (J), oil palm plantation (O), rubber plantation (R). Life form and life history trait (tree) for the species (category).

В	F	BF3	Alseodaphne sp.	secondary	0.1102	0.1102	0.1102	0.03491404	0.03491404	0.03491404
В	F	BF4	Porterandia_anisophylla	generalist	0.2063	0.2319	0.2319	0.0957365	0.10525288	0.10525288
В	F	BF4	Baccaurea sp. I	secondary	0.1832	0.2015	0.2015	0.08269782	0.08312432	0.08312432
В	F	BF4	Baccaurea sp. II	secondary	0.1969	0.1969	0.1969	0.07836187	0.07836187	0.07836187
В	F	BF4	Baccaurea sp. III	secondary	0.3463	0.3392	0.3392	0.1714677	0.16171875	0.16171875
В	F	BF4	Syzygium sp. II	generalist	0.4209	0.4396	0.4396	0.24663657	0.24872134	0.24872134
В	F	BF4	Archidendron bubalium	secondary	0.2898	0.3197	0.3197	0.14649299	0.14884082	0.14884082
В	F	BF4	Aporosa nitida	generalist	0.3935	0.5254	0.5254	0.17433046	0.18824095	0.18824095
В	J	BJ2	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.2902	0.3192	0.3493	0.17306164	0.15902566	0.16118195
В	J	BJ2	Parkia speciosa	generalist	0.215	0.2523	0.2523	0.08902704	0.10159062	0.10159062
В	J	BJ2	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.3369	0.4435	0.4879	0.20569493	0.26358636	0.27055347
В	J	BJ2	Macaranga tanarius	pioneer	0.2833	0.307	0.307	0.11828195	0.11912579	0.11912579
В	J	BJ2	Macaranga conifera	pioneer	0.2542	0.2542	0.2542	0.08985953	0.08985953	0.08985953
В	J	BJ2	Homalanthus sp.	generalist	0.0541	0.0541	0.0541	0.01879886	0.01879886	0.01879886
В	J	BJ2	Croton sp. II	secondary	0.2922	0.2922	0.2922	0.1670767	0.1670767	0.1670767
В	J	BJ2	Endospermum sp. II	pioneer	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.19064435	0.19064435	0.19064435
В	J	BJ2	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.2894	0.4278	0.4278	0.20447539	0.24996655	0.24807193
В	J	BJ3	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.2031	0.3192	0.3493	0.12837825	0.13632752	0.14301199
В	J	BJ3	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.1945	0.4435	0.4879	0.12666683	0.32006587	0.33505853
В	J	BJ3	Macaranga tanarius	pioneer	0.2888	0.307	0.307	0.12039723	0.12012777	0.12012777
В	J	BJ3	Macaranga javanica	pioneer	0.2635	0.2635	0.2635	0.0902447	0.0902447	0.0902447
В	J	BJ3	Endospermum malayanum	pioneer	0.2466	0.3452	0.355	0.09388282	0.10564417	0.11244253
В	J	BJ3	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.4025	0.4278	0.4278	0.26989619	0.2696311	0.26290295
В	J	BJ3	Atrocarpus elasticus	secondary	0.3293	0.3666	0.3666	0.30622967	0.33446168	0.33446168
В	J	BJ4	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.1599	0.3192	0.3493	0.11435538	0.13154467	0.14359394
В	J	BJ4	Ficus ribes	pioneer	0.5678	0.5678	0.5678	0.34216486	0.34216486	0.34216486
В	J	BJ4	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.2728	0.4435	0.4879	0.17229062	0.23989435	0.25286856
В	J	BJ4	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.3732	0.4278	0.4278	0.26891875	0.26725504	0.26002244

В	J	BJ4	Santiria rubiginosa	pioneer	0.2252	0.35	0.35	0.07295943	0.07295943	0.07295943
В	J	BJ4	Atrocarpus elasticus	secondary	0.3224	0.3666	0.3666	0.32072143	0.3413262	0.3413262
В	J	BJ4	Cordonia excelsa	pioneer	0.2768	0.2768	0.2768	0.10100091	0.10100091	0.10100091
В	J	BJ5	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.2842	0.3192	0.3493	0.15991618	0.15180413	0.16030591
В	J	BJ5	Parkia speciosa	generalist	0.2207	0.2523	0.2523	0.09964189	0.1066187	0.1066187
В	J	BJ5	Memecyclon sp.	generalist	0.4013	0.4013	0.4013	0.19131032	0.19131032	0.19131032
В	J	BJ5	Camnosperma coriacea	pioneer	0.2502	0.2502	0.2502	0.09579579	0.09579579	0.09579579
В	J	BJ5	Palaquium sumatranum	generalist	0.3514	0.3514	0.3514	0.176389	0.176389	0.176389
В	J	BJ5	Endospermum malayanum	pioneer	0.3167	0.3452	0.355	0.12349366	0.11967036	0.12527562
В	J	BJ5	Wendlandia sp.	generalist	0.4923	0.4923	0.4923	0.33729489	0.33729489	0.33729489
В	J	BJ5	Hymenodictyon sp.	pioneer	0.2518	0.2518	0.2518	0.13067626	0.13067626	0.13067626
В	J	BJ5	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.2618	0.4435	0.4879	0.17351923	0.24735809	0.26069861
В	0	BO2	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.332	0.3673	0.3673	0.20053495	0.19132879	0.19132879
В	0	BO2	Dicranopteris linearis	fern	0.3868	0.4124	0.4447	0.20114508	0.19420049	0.19874006
В	0	BO2	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.1941	0.2682	0.2966	0.11478556	0.12623517	0.13448251
В	0	BO2	Ottochloa sp. II	grass	0.3014	0.3014	0.3014	0.27220158	0.33349377	0.33349377
В	0	BO2	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.08	0.1527	0.1471	0.02453178	0.04136295	0.03971334
В	0	BO2	Symplocos fasciculata	shrub	0.218	0.218	0.218	0.07974509	0.07974509	0.07974509
В	0	BO2	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.2833	0.3685	0.3685	0.20599086	0.24054	0.23090035
В	0	BO2	Asystasia indica	herb	0.3574	0.3451	0.3451	0.2106745	0.19051314	0.19051314
В	0	BO2	Nephrolepis acutifolia	fern	0.2475	0.3104	0.3104	0.07976101	0.08218155	0.08218155
В	0	BO2	Lygodium circinatum	fern	0.2239	0.5066	0.5066	0.08041286	0.1393863	0.1393863
В	0	BO3	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.2466	0.3673	0.3673	0.14455186	0.17121479	0.17121479
В	0	BO3	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.3114	0.3378	0.3294	0.29493843	0.30150685	0.28204903
В	0	BO3	Ottochloa sp. I	grass	0.1237	0.3499	0.3499	0.12205057	0.23050426	0.23050426
В	0	BO3	Asystasia indica	herb	0.136	0.3451	0.3451	0.0808059	0.126873	0.126873
В	0	BO3	Nephrolepis acutifolia	fern	0.2072	0.3104	0.3104	0.07000901	0.07688508	0.07688508
В	0	BO3	Christella dentata	fern	0.1756	0.1756	0.1756	0.05247554	0.05247554	0.05247554

В	0	BO3	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.2331	0.3685	0.3685	0.19861503	0.2786617	0.28757604
В	0	BO3	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.1153	0.1527	0.1471	0.03938323	0.04314697	0.04294485
В	0	BO4	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.2993	0.3673	0.3673	0.15469277	0.17622592	0.17622592
В	0	BO4	Ottochloa sp. I	grass	0.2664	0.3499	0.3499	0.25610807	0.29427426	0.29427426
В	0	BO4	Scleria bancana	grass	0.1797	0.1797	0.3608	0.13345266	0.13345266	0.20439315
В	0	BO4	Lygodium circinatum	fern	0.525	0.5066	0.5066	0.25811183	0.2235595	0.2235595
В	0	BO4	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.074	0.1527	0.1527	0.03086706	0.04756962	0.03841577
В	0	BO4	Taenitis blechnoides	fern	0.4226	0.4226	0.4226	0.19901888	0.19901888	0.19901888
В	0	BO4	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.3108	0.3685	0.3685	0.23449295	0.25367619	0.24634601
В	0	BO4	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.2814	0.2682	0.2966	0.1400719	0.14061424	0.14381774
В	0	BO4	Nephrolepis acutifolia	fern	0.2658	0.3104	0.3104	0.0885791	0.08448023	0.08448023
В	0	BO5	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.1968	0.3673	0.3673	0.1402062	0.1926779	0.1926779
В	0	BO5	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.0643	0.1527	0.1471	0.0206378	0.05220367	0.06389803
В	0	BO5	Dicranopteris linearis	fern	0.3374	0.4124	0.4447	0.16497836	0.17706888	0.1867861
В	0	BO5	Asystasia indica	herb	0.271	0.3451	0.3451	0.1514273	0.16654103	0.16654103
В	0	BO5	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.1773	0.2682	0.2966	0.11827243	0.13240012	0.14585986
В	0	BO5	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2507	0.3378	0.3294	0.18557922	0.24970512	0.25576955
В	0	BO5	Ottochloa sp. l	grass	0.3868	0.3499	0.3499	0.330624	0.32585318	0.32585318
В	0	BO5	Nephrolepis acutifolia	fern	0.2163	0.3104	0.3104	0.07237057	0.08137958	0.08137958
В	0	BO5	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.26	0.3685	0.3685	0.22924118	0.25408322	0.24460773
В	0	BO5	Mikania micrantha	herb	0.2765	0.2765	0.2765	0.09302217	0.09302217	0.09302217
В	R	BR1	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.2461	0.3175	0.3493	0.13992583	0.14911608	0.14834949
В	R	BR1	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.0718	0.0728	0.1471	0.03065414	0.0273665	0.03581648
В	R	BR1	Scleria bancana	grass	0.3058	0.3667	0.3608	0.2203352	0.22967929	0.22385057
В	R	BR1	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.259	0.2998	0.2998	0.21485917	0.21402374	0.23479787
В	R	BR1	Mussaendra frondosa	herb	0.2924	0.2924	0.2924	0.1237376	0.1237376	0.1237376
В	R	BR1	Dicranopteris linearis	fern	0.363	0.4298	0.4447	0.19777239	0.20413155	0.19736245
В	R	BR1	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.3062	0.3062	0.3062	0.21057475	0.21057475	0.2344959

В	R	BR1	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.253	0.2971	0.2966	0.15657489	0.16708887	0.16589927
В	R	BR1	Imperata cylindrica	grass	0.2652	0.3874	0.3874	0.15156562	0.16330709	0.16330709
В	R	BR1	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2053	0.2963	0.3294	0.19707402	0.21561846	0.22931875
В	R	BR2	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.3304	0.3175	0.3493	0.17495434	0.17050749	0.18028367
В	R	BR2	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.0409	0.0728	0.1471	0.01859607	0.02105753	0.03406856
В	R	BR2	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.2278	0.2971	0.2966	0.1235239	0.14357141	0.14165659
В	R	BR2	Ottochloa sp. II	grass	0.3881	0.3881	0.3881	0.3132687	0.35294662	0.35294662
В	R	BR2	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2102	0.2963	0.3294	0.19840858	0.22267207	0.23328942
В	R	BR2	Imperata cylindrica	grass	0.3709	0.3874	0.3874	0.18059511	0.1770579	0.1770579
В	R	BR2	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.2482	0.2998	0.2998	0.20401616	0.2106132	0.23048947
В	R	BR2	Stenoclaena palustris	fern	0.057	0.057	0.057	0.0117194	0.0117194	0.0117194
В	R	BR2	Scleria bancana	grass	0.1626	0.3667	0.3608	0.12538239	0.19901691	0.1931834
В	R	BR3	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.2343	0.3175	0.3493	0.14335944	0.14983568	0.15504906
В	R	BR3	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.0433	0.0728	0.1471	0.01414246	0.01975196	0.03406028
В	R	BR3	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.2734	0.2998	0.2998	0.21393524	0.21514008	0.23257829
В	R	BR3	Conarus sp.	herb	0.1057	0.1057	0.1057	0.03307115	0.03307115	0.03307115
В	R	BR3	Sauropus sp.	shrub	0.2744	0.3076	0.3076	0.11750809	0.11808223	0.11808223
В	R	BR3	Ficus sp.	shrub	0.308	0.308	0.308	0.12679894	0.12679894	0.12679894
В	R	BR3	Santiria acuminata	shrub	0.2715	0.2715	0.2715	0.11666976	0.11666976	0.11666976
В	R	BR3	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2814	0.2963	0.3294	0.24967388	0.24178376	0.25403533
В	R	BR3	Scleria bancana	grass	0.3531	0.3667	0.3608	0.31068653	0.29562661	0.29962213
В	R	BR4	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.1944	0.3175	0.3493	0.11441944	0.13720835	0.13821739
В	R	BR4	Scleria bancana	grass	0.3139	0.3667	0.3608	0.21691597	0.23195101	0.22434125
В	R	BR4	Dicranopteris linearis	fern	0.3888	0.4298	0.4447	0.2033948	0.2067948	0.20748378
В	R	BR4	Spermacoce alata	herb	0.3985	0.3985	0.3985	0.18341389	0.18341389	0.18341389
В	R	BR4	Blechnum orientale	fern	0.0812	0.0812	0.0812	0.02510677	0.02510677	0.02510677
В	R	BR4	Sauropus sp.	shrub	0.2676	0.3076	0.3076	0.10823602	0.1136902	0.1136902
В	R	BR4	Curculigo orchioides	herb	0.2452	0.2452	0.2452	0.09888979	0.09888979	0.09888979

В	R	BR4	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.0751	0.0728	0.1471	0.02983686	0.02612792	0.03660652
В	R	BR4	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.2217	0.2971	0.2966	0.11141708	0.14292277	0.14331058
В	R	BR4	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2505	0.2963	0.3294	0.24295616	0.2452703	0.25533461
Н	F	HF1	Porterandia anisophylla	generalist	0.2381	0.3662	0.3662	0.1024421	0.12641302	0.12641302
н	F	HF1	Gironniera nervosa	generalist	0.3211	0.4134	0.4134	0.12460613	0.14226205	0.14226205
Н	F	HF1	Pternandra cordata	generalist	0.4225	0.4656	0.4656	0.36395027	0.36509084	0.36509084
Н	F	HF1	Hopea mengarawan	secondary	0.095	0.2634	0.2634	0.03969153	0.0580908	0.0580908
н	F	HF1	Aporosa nitida	generalist	0.2997	0.3465	0.3465	0.12890733	0.14494156	0.14494156
н	F	HF1	Ixonanthes icosandra	generalist	0.3487	0.3839	0.3839	0.18312959	0.18301667	0.18301667
н	F	HF1	Gironniera subaqualis	generalist	0.432	0.432	0.432	0.22552807	0.22552807	0.22552807
н	F	HF1	Sindora leocarpa	secondary	0.3649	0.3649	0.3649	0.13850859	0.13850859	0.13850859
н	F	HF1	Parkia speciosa	generalist	0.2877	0.2877	0.3173	0.13284699	0.13284699	0.12282455
н	F	HF2	Palagium gutta	generalist	0.289	0.4032	0.4032	0.16177986	0.1773423	0.1773423
н	F	HF2	Shorea ovalis	secondary	0.2938	0.3248	0.3248	0.18984722	0.1924304	0.1924304
н	F	HF2	Hopea mengarawan	secondary	0.1491	0.2634	0.2634	0.06455365	0.06849242	0.06849242
н	F	HF2	Gironniera nervosa	generalist	0.348	0.4134	0.4134	0.16139214	0.15873563	0.15873563
н	F	HF2	Aporosa sp. II	generalist	0.2093	0.2093	0.2093	0.09643123	0.09643123	0.09643123
н	F	HF2	Baccaurea sp. III	secondary	0.1992	0.1992	0.1992	0.12480494	0.12480494	0.12480494
н	F	HF2	Croton agrarius	secondary	0.3295	0.3952	0.3952	0.19396997	0.19970249	0.19970249
н	F	HF3	Palagium gutta	generalist	0.3293	0.4032	0.4032	0.17499857	0.18328619	0.18328619
н	F	HF3	Croton agrarius	secondary	0.319	0.3952	0.3952	0.19508068	0.1998958	0.1998958
н	F	HF3	Shorea ovalis	secondary	0.2646	0.3248	0.3248	0.19341645	0.18678047	0.18678047
н	F	HF3	Ixonanthes icosandra	generalist	0.2777	0.3839	0.3839	0.15554032	0.17101035	0.17101035
н	F	HF3	Aporosa nitida	generalist	0.288	0.3465	0.3465	0.15572239	0.15764343	0.15764343
н	F	HF3	Hopea mengarawan	secondary	0.2612	0.2634	0.2634	0.08107251	0.07667569	0.07667569
Н	F	HF3	Gironniera nervosa	generalist	0.3316	0.4134	0.4134	0.16117216	0.15971882	0.15971882
Н	F	HF3	Baccaurea sp. II	secondary	0.2072	0.2072	0.2072	0.09013014	0.09013014	0.09013014
Н	F	HF3	Syzygium sp. II	generalist	0.2349	0.2349	0.2349	0.18914055	0.18914055	0.18914055

Н	F	HF3	<i>Syzygium</i> sp. III	generalist	0.3372	0.3372	0.3372	0.1715983	0.1715983	0.1715983
Н	F	HF4	Palagium gutta	generalist	0.3306	0.4032	0.4032	0.18884151	0.18905655	0.18905655
Н	F	HF4	Croton agrarius	secondary	0.3066	0.3952	0.3952	0.18122564	0.1944852	0.1944852
Н	F	HF4	Horsfieldia sp.	secondary	0.3047	0.3047	0.3047	0.15391656	0.15391656	0.15391656
Н	F	HF4	<i>Syzygium</i> sp. l	generalist	0.2743	0.3241	0.3241	0.14974753	0.14974753	0.14974753
Н	F	HF4	Porterandia anisophylla	generalist	0.3417	0.3662	0.3662	0.16330017	0.15524052	0.15524052
Н	F	HF4	Ixonanthes icosandra	generalist	0.3246	0.3839	0.3839	0.16426946	0.17145817	0.17145817
Н	F	HF4	Madhuca sp.	secondary	0.1906	0.1906	0.1906	0.07870433	0.07870433	0.07870433
Н	F	HF4	Shorea ovalis	secondary	0.2818	0.3248	0.3248	0.19240256	0.19069799	0.19069799
Н	F	HF4	Pternandra caerulescens	generalist	0.3506	0.4656	0.4656	0.28838253	0.3292956	0.3292956
Н	J	HJ1	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.1928	0.243	0.2679	0.12086031	0.12199536	0.1187623
Н	J	HJ1	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.3433	0.3892	0.3825	0.26158129	0.25490702	0.25035111
Н	J	HJ1	Rosenbergiodendron longiflorum	generalist	0.2147	0.2147	0.2147	0.10383378	0.10383378	0.10383378
Н	J	HJ1	Macaranga gigantifolia	generalist	0.2092	0.2092	0.2092	0.0883476	0.0883476	0.0883476
Н	J	HJ1	Litsea umbellate	generalist	0.2147	0.2147	0.2147	0.0762881	0.0762881	0.0762881
Н	J	HJ1	Fagraea racemose	pioneer	0.1476	0.1476	0.1476	0.04428711	0.04428711	0.04428711
Н	J	HJ1	Cratoxylum sumatranum	pioneer	0.3145	0.3145	0.3145	0.18552986	0.18552986	0.18552986
Н	J	HJ1	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.2763	0.427	0.4645	0.18542956	0.22595909	0.2456065
Н	J	HJ1	Daemonorops sp.	shrub	0.344	0.344	0.344	0.19488844	0.19488844	0.19488844
Н	J	HJ2	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.2239	0.243	0.2679	0.14366226	0.13461489	0.13438751
Н	J	HJ2	Artocarpus kemando	secondary	0.5452	0.5452	0.5452	0.30099779	0.30099779	0.30099779
Н	J	HJ2	Parkia speciosa	generalist	0.197	0.2352	0.3173	0.08840243	0.09384975	0.0976707
Н	J	HJ2	Hymenodictyon orixense	pioneer	0.3123	0.3263	0.3263	0.14645462	0.14417115	0.14417115
Н	J	HJ2	Alstonia angustiloba	generalist	0.2912	0.3373	0.3825	0.13490303	0.14344944	0.14344944
Н	J	HJ2	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.3239	0.3892	0.3825	0.21707746	0.23483685	0.22860497
Н	J	HJ2	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.2896	0.427	0.4645	0.18589422	0.2230118	0.24564008
Н	J	HJ2	Cleidion sp.	pioneer	0.4972	0.4972	0.4972	0.3057178	0.3057178	0.3057178
Н	J	HJ3	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.1949	0.243	0.2679	0.1293608	0.12906465	0.13010645

н	J	HJ3	Rauvolfia sumatrana	generalist	0.1685	0.1685	0.1685	0.06334664	0.06334664	0.06334664
Н	J	HJ3	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.4221	0.427	0.4645	0.27766883	0.26295717	0.28256736
Н	J	HJ3	Parkia speciosa	generalist	0.2044	0.2352	0.3173	0.08717218	0.09298973	0.09929943
н	J	HJ3	Hymenodictyon orixense	pioneer	0.2876	0.3263	0.3263	0.13370878	0.13595335	0.13595335
н	J	HJ3	Dillenia excels	secondary	0.4121	0.4121	0.4121	0.16198272	0.16198272	0.16198272
н	J	HJ3	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.3455	0.3892	0.3825	0.25385082	0.24850167	0.24481071
Н	J	HJ4	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.1712	0.243	0.2679	0.11237394	0.12109682	0.11997195
Н	J	HJ4	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.3113	0.3892	0.3825	0.22328799	0.2350187	0.23053818
Н	J	HJ4	Parkia speciosa	generalist	0.178	0.2352	0.3173	0.08099475	0.09339848	0.10322155
Н	J	HJ4	Hymenodictyon orixense	pioneer	0.29	0.3263	0.3263	0.13542242	0.1391274	0.1391274
Н	J	HJ4	Alstonia angustiloba	generalist	0.2871	0.3373	0.3825	0.13315942	0.14262352	0.14262352
Н	J	HJ4	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.381	0.427	0.4645	0.24490527	0.25778	0.28507089
Н	J	HJ4	Artocarpus elasticus	secondary	0.332	0.332	0.332	0.30576242	0.30576242	0.30576242
Н	0	HO1	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.2332	0.3185	0.3185	0.13433164	0.14147553	0.14147553
Н	0	HO1	Ottochloa sp. I	grass	0.1616	0.1616	0.3707	0.15887435	0.15887435	0.23576172
Н	0	HO1	Oxalis sp.	herb	0.0458	0.0458	0.0458	0.01382461	0.01382461	0.01382461
Н	0	HO1	Stachytarpheta jamaicensis	herb	0.0936	0.149	0.149	0.02541785	0.0285194	0.0285194
Н	0	HO1	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.1178	0.1229	0.1535	0.03664538	0.03445773	0.03729676
Н	0	HO1	Phyllanthus urinaria	herb	0.169	0.169	0.169	0.05948086	0.05948086	0.05948086
Н	0	HO1	Asystasia indica	herb	0.2992	0.4538	0.4392	0.25535099	0.44178391	0.45650011
Н	0	HO1	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2062	0.3216	0.3154	0.20151097	0.24537444	0.23582064
Н	0	HO1	Spermacoce alata	herb	0.0831	0.4412	0.4412	0.02314503	0.07996084	0.07996084
Н	0	HO2	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.2822	0.3185	0.3185	0.15687347	0.15139964	0.15139964
Н	0	HO2	Nephrolepis acutifolia	fern	0.2149	0.2597	0.2597	0.06825539	0.06767188	0.06767188
Н	0	HO2	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.3032	0.3701	0.4715	0.1367085	0.16047048	0.1862683
Н	0	HO2	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.0333	0.1229	0.1535	0.01367258	0.02504257	0.02880634
Н	0	HO2	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.251	0.3216	0.3154	0.25056122	0.26268999	0.253319
Н	0	HO2	Rolandra fructicosa	shrub	0.0713	0.0713	0.0713	0.03043291	0.03043291	0.03043291

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н	0	HO2	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.3101	0.3262	0.3262	0.24324744	0.23809085	0.23735865
н	0	HO2	Asystasia indica	herb	0.2286	0.4538	0.4392	0.13039231	0.22877911	0.20074524
н	0	HO2	Goniophlebium verrucosum	fern	0.4597	0.4956	0.4956	0.30898718	0.3018612	0.3018612
н	0	HO3	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.2103	0.3185	0.3185	0.12768781	0.14182862	0.14182862
н	0	HO3	Nephrolepis acutifolia	fern	0.2256	0.2597	0.2597	0.06837787	0.06732349	0.06732349
н	0	HO3	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.2878	0.3701	0.4715	0.14048558	0.16225963	0.18108851
н	0	HO3	Asystasia indica	herb	0.1617	0.4538	0.4392	0.10738285	0.23158807	0.205845
н	0	HO3	Goniophlebium verrucosum	fern	0.4506	0.4956	0.4956	0.26972353	0.28326263	0.28326263
н	0	HO3	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.1179	0.1229	0.1535	0.05493697	0.04837922	0.05586637
н	0	HO3	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.2465	0.3262	0.3262	0.19784499	0.21658443	0.21790999
н	0	HO3	Stachytarpheta jamaicensis	herb	0.1152	0.149	0.149	0.03109498	0.03120856	0.03120856
н	0	HO3	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2976	0.3216	0.3154	0.23759437	0.28328253	0.28305084
н	0	HO3	Sauropus sp.	shrub	0.2282	0.2282	0.2988	0.09593996	0.09593996	0.10952466
н	0	HO4	Elaeis guineensis	crop	0.2806	0.3185	0.3185	0.14906422	0.15402062	0.15402062
н	0	HO4	Nephrolepis acutifolia	fern	0.2082	0.2597	0.2597	0.06887144	0.0680237	0.0680237
н	0	HO4	Asystasia indica	herb	0.112	0.4538	0.4392	0.06334165	0.20440244	0.17502603
н	0	HO4	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.0176	0.1229	0.1535	0.0050007	0.0203258	0.02575729
н	0	HO4	Spermacoce alata	herb	0.1195	0.4412	0.4412	0.04266674	0.08340333	0.08340333
н	0	HO4	Scleria bancana	grass	0.3493	0.3493	0.4024	0.23841495	0.23841495	0.4226923
н	0	HO4	Ageratum conyzoides	herb	0.1898	0.1898	0.1898	0.06503689	0.06503689	0.06503689
н	0	HO4	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2338	0.3216	0.3154	0.20672777	0.24782186	0.23600144
н	R	HR1	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.1374	0.2286	0.2679	0.07720291	0.10776065	0.11471144
н	R	HR1	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2054	0.2743	0.3154	0.20141337	0.2152498	0.22541713
н	R	HR1	Asystasia indica	herb	0.1374	0.2054	0.4392	0.11286234	0.13050326	0.1980675
н	R	HR1	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.2054	0.4607	0.4715	0.22492935	0.21334253	0.21113999
н	R	HR1	Centrosema pubescens	herb	0.1616	0.1616	0.1616	0.05659835	0.05659835	0.05659835
Н	R	HR1	Macaranga bancana	pioneer	0.4389	0.4255	0.4645	0.22002666	0.29759241	0.25476365

Н	R	HR1	Imperata cylindrical	grass	0.1436	0.2847	0.2847	0.1534894	0.1534894	0.1534894
Н	R	HR1	Ottochloa sp. II	grass	0.335	0.335	0.3707	0.40497273	0.40497273	0.35233464
Н	R	HR1	Scleria bancana	grass	0.2847	0.229	0.4024	0.08722684	0.12645848	0.21538625
Н	R	HR1	Axonopus compressus	grass	0.4142	0.1083	0.1535	0.0309949	0.03291856	0.03808281
Н	R	HR2	Hevea brasiliensis	crop	0.1878	0.2286	0.2679	0.11983274	0.11811944	0.12396777
Н	R	HR2	Asystasia indica	herb	0.1856	0.2054	0.4392	0.11920398	0.13350719	0.19361855
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н	R	HR2	Ottochloa sp. I	grass	0.308	0.3209	0.3209	0.22289127	0.27302513	0.27302513
н	R	HR2	Scleria bancana	grass	0.1392	0.229	0.4024	0.10051969	0.12660596	0.21830075
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Н	R	HR4	Melastoma malabathricum	herb	0.2274	0.2274	0.2274	0.19767778	0.19767778	0.21872622
Н	R	HR4	Clidemia hirta	herb	0.2684	0.4607	0.4715	0.15801276	0.18591233	0.18311173
Н	R	HR4	Alstonia scholaris	generalist	0.2492	0.2492	0.3825	0.18706089	0.18706089	0.21402421

н	R	HR4	Lygodium circinatum	fern	0.3822	0.3822	0.3822	0.17372441	0.17372441	0.17372441
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Н	R	HR4	Centotheca lappacea	grass	0.2056	0.2743	0.3154	0.19070667	0.21258076	0.22412918

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Appendix 3: GPS data (latitude and longitude) per plot.

Region	System	Plot	C (α-level)	C (β-level)	C (γ-level)	true β-level
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н	0	HO1	0.08732677	0.11575109	0.10977185	0.022445078
н	0	HO1	0.08142171	0.12419325	0.11769898	0.036277269
н	0	HO1	0.07860183	0.1257256	0.11753476	0.038932931
н	0	HO1	0.08374432	0.12470817	0.11712145	0.033377133
н	0	HO1	0.08819036	0.13049076	0.12179337	0.033603009
н	0	HO1	0.09234387	0.13733761	0.12506712	0.032723255
Н	0	H01	0.08508151	0.12433807	0.11751612	0.032434604
н	0	HO2	0.15571275	0.13202714	0.10292206	0.05279069
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н	0	HO2	0.15785139	0.12484601	0.11111763	0.046733755
н	0	HO2	0.15443383	0.13360187	0.10876396	0.045669872
н	0	HO2	0.1459575	0.1290802	0.10530428	0.040653226
н	0	HO2	0.15385333	0.13729108	0.11077176	0.043081571
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н	R	HR1	0.18647679	0.13776695	0.11125241	0.075224382
н	R	HR1	0.15185728	0.14055213	0.10673675	0.045120532

**Appendix 4:** Morisita-Horn results with fragment pool approach at  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ -level and true turnover  $\beta$ - differentiation.

н	R	HR1	0.13818056	0.13241799	0.10005322	0.038127345
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н	R	HR2	0.10631275	0.12897745	0.09161147	0.014701282
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В	0	BO4	0.15130771	0.10140441	0.08902293	0.062284776
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В	0	BO5	0.15048657	0.13939894	0.12139146	0.029095115
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В	0	BO5	0.14523625	0.12148584	0.10553728	0.039698965
В	0	BO5	0.18347732	0.15472119	0.12177612	0.061701195
В	0	BO5	0.13280679	0.13233105	0.11081044	0.021996355
В	0	BO5	0.13570379	0.12404466	0.10741549	0.0282883
В	R	BR1	0.17724239	0.15301143	0.09720604	0.080036353
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В	R	BR1	0.16685177	0.14377945	0.09507628	0.071775483
В	R	BR1	0.17687091	0.13970608	0.09606917	0.08080174
В	R	BR1	0.19177515	0.16327198	0.10583293	0.08594222
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В	F	BF1	0.10822696	0.04911774	0.05767269	0.050554268
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В	F	BF2	0.16485477	0.06515486	0.06515486	0.099699905
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В	F	BF3	0.13554675	0.07690095	0.07690095	0.058645799
В	F	BF3	0.1314298	0.07405538	0.07405538	0.057374418
В	F	BF3	0.12830792	0.07768437	0.07768437	0.050623554
В	F	BF3	0.17281637	0.08857428	0.08857428	0.084242095

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В	F	BF3	0.14093053	0.07578348	0.07578348	0.065147044
В	F	BF3	0.15351182	0.08208582	0.08208582	0.071426
В	F	BF3	0.13376361	0.07735648	0.07735648	0.056407125
В	F	BF3	0.13573409	0.07484174	0.07484174	0.060892351
В	F	BF4	0.14937285	0.07717844	0.07717844	0.072194411
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В	F	BF4	0.1590891	0.08673285	0.08673285	0.072356252
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В	F	BF4	0.14495415	0.06969449	0.07014469	0.074809455
В	F	BF4	0.14899476	0.07767499	0.07767499	0.071319769

**Appendix 5a:** Summary statistic results for the best-fit linear mixed effect model using the fragment pool approach ( $\alpha$ -level: within plot,  $\beta$ -level: within land-use system,  $\gamma$ -level: within region). Genetic diversity AIC for  $\alpha$ -level = -1712.34,  $\beta$ -level = -1944.634,  $\gamma$ -level = -2189.653. Significant p-values in bold.

Level	Fixed effects	Random effect	Estimate	Std. Error	t-value	p-value
α						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.1486	0.0079	18.7209	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0190	0.0112	1.6961	0.1009
	Oil palm	Region   plot	-0.0179	0.0112	-1.5906	0.1229
	Rubber	Region   plot	-0.0065	0.0112	-0.5767	0.5688
β						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.0802	0.0062	12.98	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0669	0.0087	7.6635	0.0000
	Oil palm	Region   plot	0.0355	0.0087	4.0673	0.0004
	Rubber	Region   plot	0.0503	0.0087	5.7620	0.0000
γ						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.0753	0.0056	13.4478	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0126	0.0079	1.5932	0.1223
	Oil palm	Region   plot	0.0258	0.0079	3.2497	0.0030
	Rubber	Region   plot	0.0117	0.0079	1.4796	0.1501

**Appendix 5b:** Summary statistics of the Tukey-post-hoc test for the influence of land-use change on genetic differentiation based on the results of the linear mixed effect model using the fragment pool approach, at three spatial scales ( $\alpha$ -level: within plot,  $\beta$ -level: within land-use system,  $\gamma$ -level: within region). Significant p-values in bold

Level	Response variables	Estimate	Standard Error	z-value	p-value
α					
	J-F	0.0190	0.0112	1.696	0.3257
	O-F	-0.0179	0.0112	-1.591	0.384
	R-F	-0.0065	0.0112	-0.577	0.9391
	O-J	-0.0368	0.0112	-3.287	0.0056
	R-J	-0.0255	0.0112	-2.273	0.1044
	R-O	0.0114	0.0112	1.014	0.7413
β					
	J-F	0.0667	0.0087	7.664	< 0.001
	O-F	0.0355	0.0087	4.067	< 0.001
	R-F	0.0503	0.0087	5.762	< 0.001
	O-J	-0.0314	0.0087	-3.596	0.0019
	R-J	-0.0166	0.0087	-1.901	0.2274
	R-O	0.0148	0.0087	1.695	0.3263
γ					
	J-F	0.0126	0.0079	1.593	0.3823
	O-F	0.0257	0.0079	3.250	0.0065
	R-F	0.0117	0.0079	1.480	0.4498
	O-J	0.0131	0.0079	1.656	0.3471
	R-J	-0.0009	0.0079	-0.114	0.9995
	R-O	-0.0140	0.0079	-1.770	0.2879

**Appendix 6a:** Statistics of the best-fit linear mixed effect model results for the species approach ( $\alpha$ -level: within plot,  $\beta$ -level: within land-use system,  $\gamma$ -level: within region). AIC for  $\alpha$ -level = -601.2809,  $\beta$ -level = -562.1553,  $\gamma$ -level = -550.0745. Significant p-values in bold.

Level	Fixed effect	Random effect	Estimate	Std. Error	t-value	p-value
α						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.1505	0.0093	16.0508	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0146	0.0135	1.0780	0.2902
	Oil palm	Region   plot	-0.0140	0.0129	-1.0787	0.2899
	Rubber	Region   plot	-0.0046	0.0129	-0.3542	0.7258
β						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.1576	0.0101	15.6692	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0178	0.0145	1.2299	0.2290
	Oil palm	Region   plot	0.00002	0.0139	0.0018	0.9986
	Rubber	Region   plot	0.0010	0.0138	-0.0732	0.9421
γ						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.1597	0.0103	15.5308	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0183	0.0148	1.2382	0.2259
	Oil palm	Region   plot	0.0023	0.0142	0.1621	0.8723
	Rubber	Region   plot	0.0059	0.0141	0.4189	0.6785

**Appendix 6b:** Summary statistics of the Tukey post-hoc test for the influence of land-use change on genetic differentiation based on the results of the linear mixed effect model using the species approach, at all three spatial scales ( $\alpha$ -level: within plot,  $\beta$ -level: within land-use system,  $\gamma$ -level: within region). Significant p-values in bold.

Level	Response variables	Estimate	Standard Error	z-value	p-value
α					
	J-F	0.0145	0.0135	1.078	0.703
	O-F	-0.0140	0.0129	-1.079	0.702
	R-F	-0.0045	0.0129	-0.354	0.985
	O-J	-0.0285	0.0132	-2.157	0.135
	R-J	-0.0191	0.0131	-1.457	0.464
	R-O	0.0094	0.0126	0.751	0.876
β					
	J-F	1.784e-2	1.451e-02	1.230	0.608
	O-F	2.483e-05	1.394e-02	0.002	1.0000
	R-F	-1.011e-03	1.381e-02	-0.073	1.0000
	O-J	-1.782e-02	1.422e-02	-1.253	0.593
	R-J	-1.885e-02	1.409e-02	-1.338	0.539
	R-O	-1.036e-03	1.351e-02	-0.077	1.0000
γ					
	J-F	0.0184	0.0148	1.238	0.602
	O-F	0.0023	0.0142	0.162	0.998
	R-F	0.0059	0.0141	0.419	0.975
	O-J	-0.0160	0.0145	-1.104	0.687
	R-J	-0.0124	0.0144	-0.864	0.823
	R-O	-0.0036	0.0138	0.261	0.994

**Appendix 7a:** Statistics of the best-fit linear mixed effect model results for the Shannon Index ( $\alpha$ -level: within plot,  $\beta$ -level: within land-use system,  $\gamma$ -level: within region). AIC for  $\alpha$ -level = -460.7372,  $\beta$ -level = -423.6388,  $\gamma$ -level = -430.0219. Significant p-values in bold.

Level	Fixed effect	Random effect	Estimate	Std. Error	t-value	p-value
α						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.2849	0.0120	23.6003	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0051	0.0174	0.2952	0.7700
	Oil palm	Region   plot	-0.0530	0.0167	-3.1722	0.0037
	Rubber	Region   plot	-0.0474	0.0165	-2.8661	0.0078
β						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.3340	0.0129	25.8829	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0001	0.0186	0.0098	0.9922
	Oil palm	Region   plot	-0.0281	0.0178	-1.5732	0.1269
	Rubber	Region   plot	-0.0574	0.0177	-3.2460	0.0030
γ						
	Intercept	Region   plot	0.3395	0.0127	26.6111	0.0000
	Jungle rubber	Region   plot	0.0086	0.0183	0.4688	0.6428
	Oil palm	Region   plot	-0.0218	0.0176	-1.2345	0.2273
	Rubber	Region   plot	-0.0306	0.0175	-1.7491	0.0912

**Appendix 7b:** Summary statistics of the Tukey post-hoc test for the influence of land-use change on genetic diversity based on the results of the linear mixed effect model using the Shannon Index, at all three spatial scales ( $\alpha$ -level: within plot,  $\beta$ -level: within land-use system,  $\gamma$ -level: within region). Significant p-values in bold.

Level	Response variables	Estimate	Standard Error	z-value	p-value
α					
	J-F	0.0051	0.0174	0.295	0.9910
	O-F	-0.0530	0.0167	-3.172	0.0080
	R-F	-0.0474	0.0165	-2.866	0.0216
	O-J	-0.0581	0.0170	-3.410	0.0036
	R-J	-0.0526	0.0169	-3.111	0.0102
	R-O	0.0055	0.0162	0.344	0.9860
β					
	J-F	0.0002	0.0186	0.010	1.0000
	O-F	-0.0281	0.0178	-1.573	0.3938
	R-F	-0.0574	0.0177	-3.246	0.0063
	O-J	-0.0283	0.0182	-1.552	0.4063
	R-J	-0.0576	0.0180	-3.190	0.0078
	R-O	-0.0293	0.0173	-1.695	0.3261
γ					
	J-F	0.0086	0.0183	0.469	0.966
	O-F	-0.0218	0.0176	-1.235	0.605
	R-F	-0.0306	0.0175	-1.749	0.298
	O-J	-0.0304	0.0180	-1.688	0.330
	R-J	-0.0392	0.0178	-2.196	0.124
	R-O	-0.0088	0.0171	-0.514	0.956

**Appendix 8:** Comparison of all three levels of differentiation with the fragment pool approach in the following order: α-, β- and γ-diversity per plot, respectively. The four land-use systems forest (F, green), jungle rubber (J, red), oil palm (O, yellow), rubber (R, blue) in two regions Bukit Dua Belas landscape (B, bright colours) and Harapan landscape (H, dark colours).



**Appendix 9:** Mean differentiation of the four plots per land-use system separated by region using the fragment pool approach in the following order: α-, β- and γ-diversity per plot, respectively. The four land-use systems forest (Fgreen), jungle rubber (red), oil palm (yellow), rubber (blue) in two regions Bukit Dua Belas landscape (bright colours) and Harapan landscape (dark colours).



**Appendix 10:** Genetic diversity of the species approach using the Shannon Index, for the three diversity levels in the following order: α-, β- and γ-diversity per plot, respectively. The four land-use systems forest (F, green), jungle rubber (J, red), oil palm (O, yellow), rubber (R, blue) in two regions Bukit Dua Belas landscape (B, bright colours) and Harapan landscape (H, dark colours).



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