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Skype is a helpful tool when working with people across the globe. Anika connects over the internet with her Lao colleagues on a regular basis – listening to how crop trials are going and discussing what could be investigated next season. After working in Agribusiness Finance for many years, and completing a Masters in Sustainable Agriculture she is now undertaking a PhD on soil and water management to improve crop production, and hopes to pursue a career in international agricultural development. Anika loves applying what she is learning at uni to the field in a highly rewarding way. When not wading through rice paddies, Anika spends as much time as she can back at her family's outback sheep station. The red sand country a stark contrast to the tropics.

A passionate advocate for creating more sustainable farming systems and a voice of the next generation of farmers, Anika often speaks to groups about change. She also expresses her opinion in newspaper and radio articles, as she believes sharing the stories from the land is an important step in building stronger food systems and encouraging sometimes difficult conversations to be had on challenges such as climate change, food security and stability of rural communities. Anika is keen for global perspectives to be applied to local contexts, and is holding an event in her local community later this year to discuss building resilience to future challenges and forming collaborative partnerships between researchers, farmers, industry and towns people.

This is Anika's career in agriculture. What will yours be?



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**ANIKA IS A FARMER AND
A RESEARCHER.**

