

Project title : PHCF1 - Holistic Conservation Programme for Forests in Madagascar (Phase 1)

Project place	Project cost	Role in the project	Technical and financial sponsors	Dates
Madagascar	5 000 000 €	Coordination	Air France, Good Planet Foundation, WWF	January 2008 - May 2012

Project's goals and results

Main goals

Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and forest Degradation (REDD) and increasing forest carbon stocks (+)

Specific objectives

- Forest conservation and development
- Carbon accounting
- Reinforcement of sustainable alternative practices

Beneficiaries

Local population
Malagasy State
Scientific community

Results

R1. Potential of Emission reduction of 35 millions tons of CO2 eq by 2030 for our 5 sites

R2. Protection of the island's biodiversity by reducing the rate of deforestation and forest degradation

R3. Preservation and restoration of the ecological services offered by forest ecosystems (protection of soil and groundwater)

R4. Public awareness on the climate change and the sustainable management of forests actions

R5. Improved quality of life in local communities through the diversification of agricultural products and better yields

R6. Job creation: use of many different subcontractors with expertise in a variety of areas (agricultural infrastructure, literacy, ecological inventories, etc.)

R7. Capacity building at the institutional and university levels (acquisition of equipment, transfer of skills)

Activities

A1. The project involved a total area of over 500,000 hectares comprising both moist and spiny forest, on 5 different sites

A2. Raise public awareness on effects of climate change

A3. Promote alternatives to the agriculture based on slash-and-burn practices

A4. Create 350,000 hectares of protected areas

A5. Transfer management of natural resources to local communities, involving 205,000 hectares

A6. Restore 30,000 hectares of fragmented forest

A7. Reforest 3,000 hectares of land for energy purposes

A8. To advance knowledge, nationally: to help define Madagascar's REDD+ policy

A9. To advance knowledge, internationally: to contribute to the ongoing debates on methodologies

A10. To test many different tools and methodologies which led to the publication of several scientific articles (see above)