Project title: PHCF2 - Holistic Conservation Programme for Forests in Madagascar (Phase 2)

Project place	Project cost	Role in the project	Technical and financial sponsors	Dates
Madagascar	4 500 000 €	Coordination	AFD - French Development Agency, FFEM - French Global Environment Fund, Air France, Ministère de l'Environnement, de l'Ecologie et des Forêts (Madagascar), Sava & Anosy Regions (Madagascar), Agrisud International, WWF, Symrise	January 2013 - May 2018

Project's goals and results

Main goals

Phase 2 aims at extending and enhancing the results achieved during the first phase on two sites:

- COMATSA: 225 000 ha part of Sava, Diana and Sofia regions, up North next to Sambava.
- Beampingaratsy: 55 000 ha part of Anosy region and close to Fort-Dauphin (South).

Specific objectives

- Reinforcement of conservation activities initiated in PHCF 1.
- Reinforcement of alternative, sustainable agricultural practices.
- Continue project activities via carbon funding and contribute to national REDD+ strategy.

Beneficiaries

1350 agricultural households1100 ha of forests

Results

- R1. Both protected areas (NAP) are best handled
- **R2.** Agricultural practices are improved and diversified
- **R3.** Carbon credits generate additional income for people

Activities

- **A1.** Sustain the two new protected areas (NAP) and the 54 transfer of their Natural Resources Management (TGRN) by supporting local Communities (COBA) committed to forest management (reforestation / restoration activities): training on associative management and financial management, implementation of participative ecological monitoring, tracking of timber permits.
- A2. Follow-up monitoring and secure land: reforestation of 575 ha during PHCF I. Initiate reforestation on an additional 300 hectares of land by COBAs.
- **A3.** Support the implementation of 320 ha from the ecological restoration plan.
- **A4.** Support COBAs in agricultural land's planning and management via 34 planning and management plans and the establishment of 3 tenure offices that allows land tenure.
- A5. Training of 1,350 households for agro-ecological techniques, representing 1/3 of COBAs' households.
- **A6.** Sustainably convert 600 ha of agricultural areas next to deforestation fronts: establishment of dispersed pilote plots, soil fertilization management, agroforestry development, etc.
- A7. Eco-intensive rice cultivation in the shallows (SRI-SRA), in order to optimize irrigation structures built during PHCF I.
- **A8.** Recognizing the most relevant cash crops, by site: vanilla, clove, pink pepper, litchi, citrus fruits, sesame, etc.
- A9. Continue accounting carbon that started during Phase I via the publication of scientific articles and two additional thesis (on remote sensing and soil carbon).
- **A10.** Drafting and review of two REDD+ project documents for each site, authorizing carbon credit marketing to ensure the sustainability and continuity of field activities.