

Reversing Land Degradation in Africa by Scaling-up Evergreen Agriculture Project



Partnership for Sustainable Development

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“Regreening Ghana: Seedlings today, wealth tomorrow.”



Key Information

SECTOR: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

LEAD PARTNER: WORLD VISION GHANA

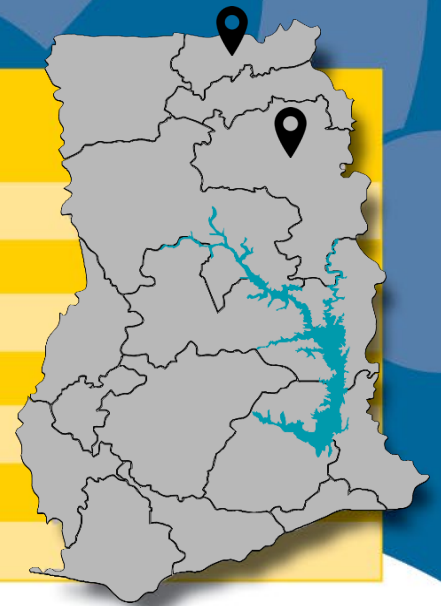
OTHER PARTNERS: CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

WORLD AGROFORESTRY CENTRE (ICRAF)

DURATION: 2017 - 2022

TOTAL BUDGET EUR: 1,003,487.00

EU CONTRIBUTION EUR: 873,034.00



Background



Acute and prolonged dry seasons catalyzed by overgrazing, rampant bush burning, and indiscriminate felling of trees for charcoal, are challenges of savannah areas in Ghana.

The Regreening Africa 5 years project seeks to reverse land degradation among 40,000 households and across 90,000 hectares in Garu Tempone, Bawku West and Mion Districts in the Northern and Upper East regions of Ghana.

By incorporating trees into croplands, communal lands and pastoral areas, it will be possible to contribute to the recovery of Ghana's degraded landscapes.



Project Details



The project is focused on reversing land degradation by scaling up evergreen agriculture practices, including Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR), agroforestry, strengthening local institutions to support bushfires management and grazing lands management.

Furthermore, the project equips the country with surveillance and analytic tools on land degradation dynamics, including the social and economic dimensions and by providing strategic decision making and monitoring for the scaling-up of evergreen agriculture.

By strengthening tree-based value chains, particularly shea, the project contributes by providing economic incentives for scaling and increasing income at the household level, especially for women.

To be able to reverse land degradation, the project uses two level of approaches:

- ✓ Direct interventions with the communities in the three districts,
- ✓ Interactions with policy makers through multi-stakeholder campaigns and advocacy strategies.

Expected Results



The project contributes to reversing land degradation by:

- Increasing the tree coverage and better management of the project area: 90,000 hectares of land.
- Providing new tree crops and promoting evergreen agricultures practices to smallholder farmers, the project will support 40,000 households.
- Training project stakeholders to acquire new knowledge, skills, tools and resources to effectively promote regreening practices.
- Disseminating the results of the project to other areas of intervention, compile and communicate best practices to policy makers, government and project stakeholders.



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