ANNUAL REPORT 2013

LOCAL ECONOMY AGAINST POVERTY
The United Nations decided 2014 would be the « Year of family farming ».

This is good news for Agrisud: for over 20 years, we have been supporting the launching or reinforcement of very small family-run agricultural enterprises.

In the future, the global food production will have to meet the needs of up to 9 billion human beings. It will not only be the business of great entities and powerful companies. Small local farms will be a large part of the solution. Small local farms and proximity between producers and consumers will be in the same time a key to strong micro-economic fabrics.

For too long, governments and development banks have only backed-up powerful “industrial” agriculture. This has given many developing countries an economic profile of mono-activity, creating dependence on international markets. A number of national economies that were only built on one or two farming productions ended up bankrupted.

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Moreover, large-scale farming has often resulted in serious collateral damages on farmers’ health, environment, biodiversity, water resources, soil fertility, as well as on landscapes and rural areas. In poor or developing countries it has also drained workforce from the countryside to those “industrial” farms. Such economic choices were first challenged in India, when the dramatic impact of the “Green Revolution” began to be acknowledged. This is where we now stand in Europe, noticing the failures of hyper intensive or off-ground agricultural schemes. Broad regions in Southern countries have been impoverished by the impact of wrong agricultural and forestry practices. The same problem happens in the fishing business, since “industrialization” has wrecked fisheries and ruined local fishermen, especially on African coasts.

The large conventional farm, whether it is about agriculture, cattle, forestry or fishing, is not condemned, it is condemned to reform.

And now at last, family farming gets recognition! Not long ago, The UN declared that to a large extent, food security can be achieved by local farms. Even though 50% of the world population remains rural, it is still in those rural areas that we find the heaviest stock of poverty. Producing local food for local consumers is therefore of the utmost importance, even more when that production generates income for local families.

Indeed, we are not only talking about food security but also about stimulating territories, increasing families’ purchasing power by putting them “back into the economy” and also stopping migrations towards urban areas and slums. The benefits are many. In Europe, returning to small farming is associated with the resurrection of the groves, with the rise of organic farming and also with the conservation of products’ diversity and traditional diets. Agroecology, which is the core focus of Agrisud’s projects, is better practiced in family farming. It has been experienced by Agrisud in over fifteen countries.

These old truths that are bubbling up apply to both industrial countries and developing regions. Agrisud has set up a pilot operation in the North of Bordeaux, France, which aims at developing, in peri-urban areas, very small professional farming enterprises, answering a demanding local market. Not only will they do better in terms of productivity if the products’ quality and diversity is integrated to the results’ evaluation, they will also create more jobs than so called “modern” farming.

This is what tomorrow’s agriculture and food supply could and should look like. It would only be one among many outcomes of a smart ecological transition.

Local agriculture means a serious hope for the world’s future. Twenty years ago, Agrisud’s founders were already on that path. They were right.

Robert Lion
Chairman
Fighting poverty through entrepreneurship

At Agrisud, we do not accept the idea that today almost one billion and a half of individuals are living in poverty and are often experiencing great difficulties to feed themselves daily. It is well known in the South as in the North that poverty is caused especially by economic exclusion, which gradually leads to social exclusion.

We are now convinced that one way of resolving this situation is to help those people back into the economy. How? By helping them become entrepreneurs.

This is why, for 20 years, we have been helping poor people to create their very small family businesses, especially in the farming sector: production of vegetables, fruits, breeding, food processing... Because they are economical as well as agroecological, those businesses are viable and sustainable. This is also due to the fact that they are integrated in their local market. The entrepreneurs have each been assisted all along the process of professionalization that took them from poverty to autonomy.

Thanks to this process, peasants in North Kivu or Haiti, areas often shaken by conflicts and/or natural disasters, were put back on track. Once they regained their place in the local market, they were able to invest into a sustainable agricultural activity. Also, in northern India, very poor women were able to diversify their traditional farming by producing and processing their spices for the local market. In southern Morocco, breeders gained autonomy thanks to sheep farming. Similarly, some women in France were struggling and now produce top-of-the-range jams from Bordeaux’s food bank’s unsold articles, a good way to fight waste.

Therefore, for 20 years, Agrisud has contributed to the launch of 40,000 small agricultural family farming in 16 countries of Africa, Asia or South America, and most recently in France. At a village, city or territory scale, real changes have taken place to help the poorest populations while increasing food security for families and in local markets – in quantity and quality.

This year, our front page spotlights the market gardener women of Boucotte - Cap Skirring

For 5 years, in Cap Skirring, Club Med has been buying most of its vegetables to those women. Agrisud is supporting 139 of them to improve their agroecological production, learn how to sell it and adapt their offer to the demand.

Agrisud and Club Med have been working together since 2009 with a common goal: support the local economy by buying local and therefore participate to the relocation of food production.
In 2013, with the support of their local partners, Agrisud's teams conducted 42 development projects in 18 countries, launching 3,600 new family-run agricultural VSEs. These projects brought the number of VSEs created since 1992 to 41,000. For 2013 alone, these VSEs produced over 252,000 tons of food and generated €58 million in net income for families.

The economic effects are there to be seen, with improved food security for families and supplies to local markets. The social effects, the core purpose of Agrisud, are just as great; these 41,000 VSEs represent 145,000 sustainable jobs and have taken 387,500 people from poverty to autonomy. The environmental effects grow with each passing year, as these VSEs come to master agroecological techniques and contribute to limiting pressure on natural resources and cutting greenhouse gas emissions by sequestration of 12,300 tons of carbon in 2013.

The transfer of these practices has been facilitated by Agroecology and project management Learning Cycles held in Sao Tomé, Benin, RD Congo, Cambodia, Gabon and Madagascar for the benefit of 123 new organizations. These organizations have now joined a network of 333 NGOs and associations trained to boost their action capacities. Thanks to the support of our financial backers, our consolidated budget reached €7 million, with 83% from public funds and 17% private. The budget was balanced once again in 2013. 2013 has allowed us to pursue our engagement to poor local populations, to spread our special expertise that impacted key phenomenon for human development such as malnutrition, environmental degradation or deforestation...Every day and in every place, our teams have reaffirmed their engagement: Local Economy against Poverty.

Yvonnick Huet
Chief Executive Officer
Agrisud has a new bright and shiny website! Its design is attractive and simple and allows everyone to discover our news in the South but also in France. It will also tell you more about our current and incoming projects, our various publications, our partners, and the opportunity to act with us!

But that’s not all, you can also follow Agrisud on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn but also on video sharing sites such as YouTube and Dailymotion. You now have all the information you need to follow and support our NGO!
IVORY COAST - BENIN

Enhancing municipal know-how in developing insalubrious areas in Abidjan and Cotonou

Cotonou and Abidjan suffer from unhealthy intra-urban areas and are having trouble developing sustainably. Therefore, the goal is to enhance the municipal teams' and their partners' know-how on urban planning so they can apply it to two pilot locations in each city. The methods and tools used are capitalized and transferred to other municipal teams in Benin, Ivory Coast and the sub-region.

Budget: €1,200K over 2012-2014.
Funding: European Union, Paris City Authority, France Volontaires.
Project management: Paris City Authority and support from Agrisud.
Partners: Cotonou City, District of Abidjan, UVICOCI, The Local Authorities' University of the Ivory Coast, France Volontaires.

MADAGASCAR

Agro-forestry and farm forestry in Itasy

The farming areas of the Itasy Region are located in the Central Highlands, near Antananarivo, the Capital city. They are significantly deteriorated: erosions are frequent and forests are disappearing. The Region's farmers' production systems are declining, therefore the project's aim is to follow their evolution so they can be sustainable and last in time. It should also estimate the impact of implemented agroecological and forestry practices on climate change.

Expected results: 1,200 agricultural VSEs supported, carbon footprint evaluation.
Budget: €1,009K over 2011-2014.
Funding: AFD, Star's Service, Aquitaine's Regional Council.
Project management: Etc Terra (leader) and Agrisud.
Partners: Etc Terra, AMADESE - Malagasy Association for the Economic, Social and Environmental Development, IRD-LRI, IOGA – Antananarivo’s Institute and Observatory of Geophysics.
**Professionalizing agriculture in the Itasy Region**

**Expected results:** 1,060 agricultural VSEs supported in 10 municipalities, one training center created.

**Budget:** €2,676,000 over 2010-2014.

**Funding:** European Union, VVV - Villages et Villes à Vivre, Office congolais des routes (The Congolese roads service), CTB – Belgium Cooperation Development Company.

**Project management:** CAVTK, France Volontaires.

**Partners:** IGRADEL - Agriculture and Local Development, SEEN - Société d’Exploitation des Eaux du Niger (Niger’s Waters Development Company).

**Expected results:** 1,680 agricultural VSEs supported.

**Budget:** €1,889,000 over 2009-2013.

**Funding:** European Union, Biochem, Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** SYDIP – Syndicate for the Defense of Farmers’ Interests, CAVTK, France Volontaires.

**Supporting sustainable development of agriculture value chains in North Kivu, North Kivu Province**

**Expected results:** 2,000 agricultural VSEs supported.

**Budget:** €2,676,000 over 2010-2014.

**Funding:** European Union, WW - Villages et Villes à Vivre, Office congolais des routes (The Congolese roads service), CTB – Belgium Cooperation Technique.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** CRAFOD - Regional support and training center for development, Café Africa International, GoodPlanet – Etc Terra, IFAID, ERAFIT – Regional school for forests and tropical territories’ planning and joined management.

**Expected results:** 2,300 agricultural VSEs supported, “Petit Kwilu” coffee distribution chain relaunched, environmental management consulting system created.

**Budget:** €2,700,000 over 2012-2016.

**Funding:** European Union, IFAID, Agrisud and other partners yet to be identified.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** CRAFOD – Regional support and training center for development, Café Africa International, GoodPlanet – Etc Terra, IFAID, ERAFIT – Regional school for forests and tropical territories’ planning and joined management.

**Sustainable agriculture and professionalizing agriculture value chains in Mayombe – Bas-Congo Province – Lukula and Tshela Territories**

**The purpose of the project is to fight poverty in rural areas affected by climate change and deforestation. The food security of the people living in these areas can be improved and local markets can be supplied thanks to a sustainable increase of agricultural production (food crops, coffee, market gardening and small breeding) and strong marketing sectors. Thus there will be a better environmental management of productive spaces.**

**Expected results:** 35 agricultural VSEs supported, one cooperative created, the sector organized and access to the Club Med market.

**Budget:** €695,000 over 2010-2014.

**Funding:** Club Med, Norsys Foundation, Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud, Norsys Foundation.

**Partners:** Titawine agroecological fruit Cooperative.

**Tsamout Project in Southern Morocco: Professional organization for sustainable farming**

**Expected results:** support 135 farms in 11 villages, create/reinforce 7 cooperative groups and boost short distribution chains adding value to products.

**Budget:** €60,600 between 2013 and 2014.

**Funding:** Aquitaine’s Regional Council and another yet to enlist.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** ORMVAO – Office Régional de Mise en Valeur Agricole de Ouarzazate (Regional office for Ouarzazate’s farming enhancement), Association Coeur de Palmer (The Heart of palm Organization), AMAID, ADL – Associations for Local Development.

**Fruit producer - Asni**

**Professionalizing fruit farming and production valuation, Igran N’Asni, Al Haouz Province**

In Asni’s farming valley (50km from Marrakech), the weather is quite good to fruit growing. However, there are two constraints: not enough information or training on orchard management and bad valuation of products on the market. As the farmers’ incomes are decreasing they often have to migrate or have another activity. Agrisud is leading this project with its Moroccan partner, the Norsys Foundation and support from the Club Med. The goal is to professionalize the farmers and their grouping.

**Expected results:** 1,060 agricultural VSEs supported, one training center created.

**Budget:** €624,500 over 2008-2014.

**Funding:** Aquitaine’s Regional Council, Foundation Enterprise and Solidarity, FIDA – International Fund for Agricultural Development, Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** Ilofasana.

**Improving the capacity of civil society organizations to support income-generating activities in rural areas – Madagascar Highlands**

**Expected results:** 60 Madagascan organizations with improved capacity to promote income-generating farming activities.

**Budget:** €605,000 over 2012-2015.

**Funding:** European Union, Agrisud, CITE.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** CITE.

**Supporting sustainable development of farming activities and value chains in Luozi, Bas-Congo Province**

**Expected results:** 2,000 agricultural VSEs supported.

**Budget:** €95,000 over 2010-2014.

**Funding:** Club Med, Norsys Foundation, Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** SYDIP – Syndicate for the Defense of Farmers’ Interests, CAVTK, France Volontaires.

**Expected results:** 2,300 agricultural VSEs supported, “Petit Kwilu” coffee distribution chain relaunched, environmental management consulting system created.

**Budget:** €2,700,000 over 2012-2016.

**Funding:** European Union, IFAID, Agrisud and other partners yet to be identified.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** SYDIP – Syndicate for the Defense of Farmers’ Interests, CAVTK, France Volontaires.

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**Expected results:** 1,680 agricultural VSEs supported.

**Budget:** €1,889,000 over 2009-2013.

**Funding:** European Union, Biochem, Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** SYDIP – Syndicate for the Defense of Farmers’ Interests, CAVTK, France Volontaires.

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**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** CITE.

**Expected results:** 1,060 agricultural VSEs supported, one training center created.

**Budget:** €624,500 over 2008-2014.

**Funding:** Aquitaine’s Regional Council, Foundation Enterprise and Solidarity, FIDA – International Fund for Agricultural Development, Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** Ilofasana.
SAO TOME E PRINCIPE

Professionalizing organic, fair-trade pepper and spice distribution circuits

The islands of Sao Tome e Principe have directed their development towards food-crop growing but also the promotion of agricultural export of quality products (cocoa, coffee and pepper). In this context, the goal is to promote 300 farmers’ sustainable production of quality organic pepper. This production follows agroecological systems and practices. The purpose of the project is also to set-up a fair distribution circuit supplying the export and local markets.

Expected results: 300 pepper and spice production VSEs supported, organized export channel.
Budget: €404,000 over 2009-2014.
Project management: PAPAFPA - Participative support Program for family farming and small-scale fishing, support from Agrisud and Hom&Ter.
Partners: PAPAFPA, Hom&Ter.

TUNISIA

Promotion of local supply chains on the island of Djerba

On the island of Djerba, family farms are weakened by a number of constraints. Agrisud has been supporting them since 2012 in partnership with the Club Med. There are two goals to this project: to introduce new agricultural practices to secure, diversify and enhance productions and also to increase the value of products in local supply chains to generate satisfactory income.

Expected results: 15 agricultural VSEs supported (diversified production), organized supply chains and access to Club Med.
Budget: €50,000 over 2012-2014.
Funding: Club Med.
Project management: Agrisud.
Partners: CRDA- Medenine’s Regional commissionership for agricultural development.

SENEGAL

Enhancing family farms and food security in Mbour Department in Senegal

In the Mbour Department the agricultural development is very limited because of the difficult physical and climate conditions, the strong competition that imported products represent and also weakened family farms. Therefore, the purpose of the project is to help those family farms face environmental challenges, also caused by climate change, and socio-economical constraints, such as integrating local markets. It should contribute to food security in rural communities and cities.

Expected results: 110 VSEs supported (quantitative and qualitative improvement in production), distribution chains organized, 5 support organizations reinforced and 1 network of farming supervisors created to spread agroecology.
Budget: €54,000 over 2013-2015.
Funding: Foundation of France / CFSI, others yet to find.
Project management: Agrisud.
Partners: JAPPPOO Développement.

BRAZIL

Boosting local food supply for the Club Med in Rio Das Pedras

Agrisud and Club Med have been working together since 2008 to increase the contribution of holiday-villages to local economy development. The project has found leverage in the reinforcement of local supply chains, especially for fresh (fruits and vegetables) and processed (honey, etc.) products. This partnership between Club Med and Agrisud exists through those type of practical measures not only in Brazil but also in 4 other countries: Senegal, Morocco, Tunisia and Indonesia.

Expected results: 1 grouping supported, 1 distribution chain organized with 9 supported agricultural VSEs supplying the Club Med holiday village.
Budget: €58,000 over 2009-2013.
Funding: Club Med.
Project management: Agrisud.
Partners: Be-linked, Abio.
HAITI

Sustainable management of Limbé’s watershed and measure of the environmental impact of farming activities – Northern Haiti

In a context of strong physical degradation and increasing poverty, the goal of this project is to manage and to sustainably enhance the value of Limbé’s watershed. It is important to take into account the development of the farming sectors and the protection of natural resources (soil, water and biodiversity). Agroecological practices implemented by the families and organizations ensure performance to economic, technical and environmental plans.

Expected results: 700 agricultural VSEs supported and evaluation of the carbon footprint.

Budget: €1,254,000 between 2013 and 2016.

Funding: French Development Agency, Aquitaine’s Regional Council and others yet to find.

Project management: Agrisud (leader) and Etc Terra.

Partners: GRADIMIRH – Groupe de Recherche-Action pour le Développement Intégré du Milieu Rural Haïtien (Research-Action Group for the Integrated Development of the Rural Haitian Environment), Haiti’s State University – Faculty of agronomy.

FRANCE

The « Medoc Hive » Project/ Le Projet la Ruche du Médoc

In an area where the social and economic contexts are contrasted, the “Pays Médoc” wants to build a territorial food system which would respond to an unsatisfied food demand while boosting the local economy and preserving natural resources. The project’s aim is to set up a business incubator, the “Medoc Hive”, at the heart of the system. Its duties will be to support and help the settling-in of market gardeners wishing to enhance the value of their productions in short and local supply chains.

Expected results: implementation of a business incubator and settling of 8 farms.

Budget: €45,000 over 2013 and €232,000 between 2014 and 2015.


Project management: Agrisud.

INDIA

Strengthening agricultural systems through spice crops in the Dehra Dun District – Uttarakhand

The goal of the Masraspatti project is to improve sustainably the living conditions of 140 poor farmer families in 8 villages of Panchayat. Agrisud and its local partner HARC assist those families in the development of crops and processing of spice plants like ginger, turmeric, pepper or coriander.

Expected results: 140 agricultural VSEs and one distillation workshop supported.

Budget: €25,000 over 2013-2014.

Funding: Agrisud, HARC – Himalayan Action Research Center, others yet to find.

Project management: Agrisud.

Partners: HARC.

CAMBODIA

Diversification of peri-urban agriculture in Siem Reap and fight against malnutrition

Siem Reap is the first touristic destination in Cambodia thanks to its famous Angkor temples. The urban and touristic growth came with a strong demand for fresh products in local markets. However this demand is far from being satisfied by local farmers. In the city’s outskirts, the survival of farms is threatened. The project’s goal is to improve the living conditions of 820 small peri-urban farmers by working on:

» the intensification and diversification of the production,
» promoting and enhancing the value of local products,
» strengthening producer organizations and promoting agroecology.

Expected results: 820 agricultural VSEs assisted, 1 spiruline production unit created.


Funding: Hauts-de-Seine General Council, Agrisud.

Project management: Agrisud.

### BENIN

Creating a Beninese network to promote agroecology

**Expected results:** 1 network of skills to promote and spread created and operational agroecology.

- **Budget:** €30,000 over 2014-2015.
- **Funding:** Yet to find.
- **Project management:** Agrisud.

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**Budget:** €30,000 over 2014-2015.

**Funding:** Yet to find.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Learning cycle to spread agroecological practices**

**Expected results:** 15 participants in charge of organizations supporting sustainable agricultural development and trained to good agroecological practices, monitoring system.

- **Budget:** €18,000 over 2014.
- **Funding:** Organization «Pain pour le Prochain».
- **Project management:** Agrisud.
- **Partners:** SECAAR network, Porto Novo’s Songhai Center.

### IVORY COAST

Promotion of sustainable urban and periurban agriculture in 5 pilot municipalities in Abidjan

Historically, Abidjan’s urban and periurban agriculture has always been dynamic. However, it is facing some challenges. The low soil fertility, the depletion and pollution of water resources and the rise of parasites pressure are jeopardizing farming activities that could create income for thousands of families. This pilot project’s goal is to reinforce the agroecological skills of 25 farming technicians from 15 Ivory professional organizations and NGOs. It supports the creation of a network uniting 90 pilot market gardeners. They will be able to spread practices and systems to 500 other farmers in Abidjan’s 10 different production sites in 5 municipalities.

**Expected results:** 25 participants from 15 organizations (NGOs and PO) trained in good agroecological practices, monitoring system and 500 associate market gardeners.

- **Budget:** €68,000 over 2014-2015.
- **Funding:** French Ministry of Foreign Affairs - FSD, Abidjan’s autonomous district, local Authorities University, Agrisud.
- **Project management:** Local Authorities University and support from Agrisud.
- **Partners:** NGOs and Ivorian farmer organizations.

### MADAGASCAR

Holistic conservation program (PHCF – Phase II)

Madagascar has a great biodiversity but its natural capital is threatened by deforestation, about 0.53% per year. 50,000 hectares of its natural forest disappears every year.

The aim of the Holistic conservation program (or PHCF in French) is to reduce the rhythm of deforestation. For this purpose it uses two strategies: on one hand, it raises the awareness of local populations on the decentralized management of environment and on the other hand, it promotes activities and alternative techniques rather than slash-and-burn farming and collecting forest resources.

**Expected results:** support for populations neighboring two REDD+ projects (Reduction of Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation of Forests) to develop alternative activities and practices to slash-and-burn farming.

- **Budget:** €1,230K over 2014-2018.
- **Funding:** The French Agency for Development (AFD) - FFEM, Air France.
- **Project management:** Etc Terra (contracting authority and leader), Agrisud.
- **Partners:** WWF, Antananarivo University.
Food security in Antananarivo’s suburbs

Expected results: 2,000 family-run agricultural VSEs growing and diversifying their production for urban markets.

Funding: European Union, the Champagne-Ardenne Region, Agrisud.

Project management: Agrisud.

Partners: the Champagne-Ardenne Region and local NGOs.

Management of Zambazamba’s watershed’s integrated water resources

Expected results: A protected watershed and an increase in water resources upstream from the spring. An economic use of water resources downstream from the spring thanks to a spread intensive or improved rice system concerning 50 farmers. Measures of impact of the agricultural practices on the dynamics of water.

Budget: €34,000 over 2014-2015.

Funding: The French water agency of Rhône-Méditerrannée-Corse, the French Ambassy in Madagascar, Grand Lyon.

Project management: Etc Terra (leader) and Agrisud.

Partners: Grand Lyon, Haute Matsiatra Region, Nasandratrony Municipality.

*MOROCCO*

Sustainably enhancing the performances of the Oasis farming sector – Ghashate municipality – Ouarzazate

The family agriculture in Ghashate Municipality has a double vocation: one part of the production is used by households, the other is sold on local markets. The physical and climatic contexts are difficult. Access to productive natural resources (water and soil) is limited, the agrobiodiversity is threatened and there is a strong pressure on health. Therefore, the traditional methods are challenged making it hard for populations to maintain or adapt their performances. The goal of the project is to value the farming potential of these people to ensure them sustainable income and food security.

Expected results: 112 professional family farms in concerned villages in the Ghashate Municipality.


Funding: MASEN.

Co-Project management: Agrisud and the Norsys Foundation.

Partnership: Office Régional de Mise en Valeur Agricole de Ouarzazate.

Sustainable strengthening and development of farming activities in Marrakech’s palm grove

Expected results: 50 pilot family farms supported in an enhanced management of farming activities for a greater performance of agroenvironmental, economic and social plans.


Funding: The Mohammed VI Foundation, Agrisud, Norsys Foundation, Farmers and others.

Project management: Agrisud and the Norsys Foundation.

MOZAMBIQUE

Fighting against deforestation and the decline of the Miombo forest in Gilé’s national reserve and its suburbs – Zambezia Province

The slash-and-burn agriculture is threatening natural resources in the surroundings of Gilé’s National Reserve, in Zambezia Province. The project is following the REDD+ strategy which is a sustainable economic and social development for the people leaving nearby. This goal can be achieved through the enhancement of the value and conservation of natural resources thanks to sustainable farming promoting agroecological systems and practices. Thus they have to take into account the development of farming chains and protecting natural resources.

Expected results: 300 agricultural VSEs implementing agroecological systems and practices in Gilé’s national reserve’s buffer zone. Natural resources protected. 6 Comities managing natural resources strengthened.


Funding: AFD-FFEM, IGF, the French Ministry for Agriculture, Etc Terra and Agrisud.

Project management: IGF (leader), Agrisud on the topics of agriculture and community development.

Partners: IGF, Etc Terra, Agrisud.

Learning Cycle to spread agroecological practices – Gilé

Expected results: 20 technicians participating to support the agricultural development of 9 organizations trained in good agroecological practices.

Budget: €16,000 over 2014.

Funding: AFD-FFEM.

Project management: Agrisud.

Partners: IGF Foundation, Etc Terra.

*NGER*

Access to drinking water for marginalized populations by supporting development of VSEs in the suburbs of Dosso

Expected results: currently being identified.

Budget: to be determined.

Funding: Veolia Environnement, others.

Project management: Agrisud.


*DR CONGO*

Supporting the marketing of input and fishing gear in Muanda’s coastal region

Expected results: An input and fishing gear shop to beneficiate the 160 fishermen of Muanda’s coast.

Budget: €150K.

Funding: Chevron and Agrisud.

Project management: Agrisud.

Partnership: CAPM – Muanda’s Fishermen Associations Cooperative.
**SENEGAL**

**Boosting agriculture in the Diourbel Region**

The people of the Diourbel Region are among the poorest in Senegal. Agriculture is suffering a drastic decline. This has resulted in an impoverishment of the rural populations, uncertainty with regard to food security and the exodus of young people. This is why Agrisud has launched a farming development project to fight poverty and ensure food security. This action is part of a decentralized cooperation between the Aquitaine and the Diourbel Region.

With the help of local actors, the project’s aim is to boost the vegetable production which has deteriorated overtime, in order to create sustainable, income-generating, rewarding activities able to satisfy regularly the local markets’ needs in quantity and quality.

**Expected results:** 120 market gardening operations supported to implement agroecological practices and promote short-circuit productions.

**Budget:** €254,000 over 2014-2016.

**Funding:** Aquitaine’s Regional Council, Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partnership:** IFAID – Institute for training and supporting development initiatives, Jappoo Development.

**Learning Cycle to spread agroecological practices – Diourbel**

**Expected results:** 15 technicians participating to support the agricultural development of 7 organizations trained in good agroecological practices.

**Budget:** €16,000 over 2014.

**Funding:** The Aquitaine Region and Agrisud.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** The Diourbel Region.

**Improving diet practices in Diembéring’s rural community in Basse Casamance**

**Expected results:** 294 families with improved diet practices.

**Budget:** €55,000.

**Funding:** to be found.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partners:** CPAS – Diembéring’s Center for Agricultural and Social Promotion.

**HAITI**

**Boosting the local economy by reinforcing the manioc and groundnut value chains**

**Expected results:** 200 agricultural VSEs supported, 5 transformation units professionalized.

**Budget:** $100,000 over 2013-2014.

**Funding:** Oxfam.

**Project management:** Agrisud.

**Partenariat:** GRADIMIRH.

**LAOS**

**Forestry and agroecology in mountainous zones of northern Laos / districts of Viengkham and Pakxeng – Luang Prabang Province**

After a first successful operation between 2009 and 2012, the goal of this project is to keep fighting against the poverty of people living in the mountains in northern Laos. For that purpose, the natural resources have to be rehabilitated, safeguarded and valued (water, soil, biodiversity). The project will also adapt to climate change and mitigate its consequences (agricultural systems’ resilience, reduction of greenhouse gas emission and carbon sequestration).

**Expected results:** 550 farming families supported in 20 villages of the Viengkham district, among the poorest in the country.

**Budget:** €877,000 over 2014-2018.

**Funding:** AFD, Agrisud and partners.

**Co-Project management:** Agrisud (leader), Etc Terra.

**Partners:** SADA - Sustainable Agriculture & Environment Development Association, Université Souphanouvong of Luang Prabang, PAFO - Provincial Agriculture & Forestry Office Luang Prabang.

**Support to the northern upland development program**

**Expected results:** the agricultural departments of 3 provinces in the north of Laos enhanced in their capacity to promote agroecological systems.

**Budget:** €100,000 over 2014.

**Funding:** AFD – French Agency for Development.

**Project management:** Solreco, support from Agrisud.
SKILL TRANSFERS TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Agrisud has a constant focus on boosting the action capacities of NGOs, organizations, professional groups, and also those of its own projects’ teams. Transfers of skills are made via learning cycles.

Learning cycles

Promoting agroecological practices

Based on the “Agroecology in Practice” guide (Agrisud, 2010), this course helps participants learn these practices. It is based on transferring methods and tools to:

- understand agroecology and its economic, social and environmental dimensions;
- understand the sustainable management of a farming system;
- analyze the context of operation and identify the appropriate agroecological practices;
- be able to spread these practices.

Design and implementation of VSE projects

This cycle is based on a transfer of skills and know-how in implementing sustainable development projects focusing on very small enterprises (VSE).

In particular, it enhances the organizations’ ability to:

- perform a diagnosis and write up a proposal for intervention;
- implement a support project;
- take part in evaluating, capitalizing on and publicizing the achievements of the projects.

2013: 5 sessions of cycle promoting agroecological practices

Thanks to the support of the European Union, the Gabon State, the French Development Agency (AFD), the FIDA-PAPAFPA, the Caritas Foundation, the Hauts-de-Seine General Council and the participation of the organizations

- In DR Congo, from the 17th to the 23rd of April in Tshela in the Bas-Congo Province, 23 participants from 10 structures and/or projects: APROFIL, AGRIPEL, inspection of rural Development (Tshela and Lukula), PADDALU, CARG (Tshela, Luluka and Luco), CEDER, GEPRODER.
- In Gabon, from the 15th to the 23rd of May in Libreville, in IGAD’s PK8’ training center, 20 persons from PRODIAG, development and farming investment project in Gabon.
- In Sao Tomé E Principe, from the 2nd to the 9th of August in Sao Tomé, 24 participants, among whom 10 executives from PAPAFPA, 1 technical assistant and 13 technical auxiliaries and socio-technicians coming from 5 different fields: pepper, coffee, quality cocoa, organic cocoa and food crops.
- In Benin, from the 18th to the 25th of September in Grand Popo in the Modo and Couffo Region, 21 participants (from Benin, Togo and Mali), among whom 8 farmers, members of Beninese Farmer Organizations: CRM Mono/Couffo, SCDA (Grand Popo and Aplahoué), GADD NGO, PMA Dogbo, CRR Mono/Couffo, Coopérative Riziculteurs semenciers du Mono Couffo, OCID (Caritas Togo), Caritas BDBD Parakou, CDD Caritas Natitingou, SYTO, UCR, CARTO Togo, UCP Grand Popo, JARC Dapaong Togo, AIDEB Mali, UML Agoué, UCR Lalo.
- In Cambodia, the cycle was in Khmer from the 26th of November to the 4th of December in Siem, 22 participants of 12 structures: Agrisud, GRET, Human Bright Organization, PADEK, Rachana, Reada Cambodia, Trailblazer Cambodia Organization, CIRD, Srer Khmer, GIZ, PDRD and PDA.

The network of the 245 organizations which benefit from Agrisud’s cycles
Organizations - Southern NGOs

- AADC - Associação para o Apoio ao Desenvolvimento Comunitário (Angola)
- ABIO (Brazil)
- AGRICAM (Cambodia)
- AGRIHEL - Agriculture and Développement Local (Niger)
- AGRIDEV - Association congolaise d’appui au développement (Congo)
- AMADESE - Association Marocaines pour le Développement Économique, Social et Environnemental (Morocco)
- AMADIE - Association Marocaine d’Appui aux Initiatives de Développement (Morocco)
- Association Horizon (Morocco)
- AVAPAS - Assos Vulgarisation et Appui à la Prod. Agroécologiques du Sahel (Burkina Faso)
- CARE Madagascar (Madagascar)
- CAPMI - Coopérative des Associations de Pécheurs de Moanda (DR Congo)
- CAVKT - Centre Agronomique Vétérinaire Tropical de Kinshasa (DR Congo)
- CEPIBA - Coopérative de production de poivre biologique (Sao Tome et Principe)
- CITE - Centre d’Information Technique et Economique (Madagascar)
- Coeur de Palmier (Morocco)
- Coopérative Al Mohamma (Morocco)
- Coopérative Tifawine (Morocco)
- CPAS - Centre de Promotion Agricole et Sociale Diembering (Senegal)
- CRAFOD - Centre Régional d’Appui et de Formation pour le Développement (DR Congo)
- CRDA Médéine - Centre Régional de Développement Agricole (Tunisia)
- CRM - Croissant Rouge Mauritannien
- CTHA - Centre Technique Horticole d’Antananarivo (Madagascar)
- CTHT - Centre Technique Horticole de Tarni Surveillance
- CEN - Entreprenariat du Niger (Niger)
- ERAIIF - Ecole Régionale d’Agronomie et de Gestion des Espaces de Milieu Rural (Senegal)
- GSMG - Groupement Semis Direct Madagascar (Madagascar)
- HARC - Himalayan Action Research Center (India)
- JAPPOO Développement (Senegal)
- Jardins d’Afrique (Senegal)
- IGAD - Institut Gabonais d’Appui au Développement (Gabon)
- Iloffosana (Madagascar)
- IMT - Institut Malien de Technologie ( Mali)
- IOGA - Institut et Observatoire de Géophysique d’Antananarivo (Madagascar)
- LRI - Laboratoire de Radiotopographie (Magenta Antananarivo-Madagascar)
- LWU - Union des Femmes Lao (Laos)
- OPPESH - Organisation de la Production et des Plantes (fonds carbone)
- ORMA - Office Régional de Mise en Valeur des Ressources Naturelles (Morocco)
- PAFO - Provincial Agriculture and Forestry Office Luang Prabang (Laos)
- RAIL-Niger - Réseau d’Appui aux Initiatives Locales (Niger)
- Rajiv Gandhi Foundation (India)
- READA - Rural Economic and Agriculture Development Agency (Cambodia)
- SMBSA El Yassmine - Société Mutuelle de Base des Services Agricoles (Tunisia)
- SOPRODECO - Solidarité aux Programmes de Développement Communautaire (DR Congo)
- SRER Khmer (Cambodia)
- SYDIP - Syndicat de Défense des Intérêts des Paysans (DR Congo)
- Terre et Humanisme Maroc (Morocco)
- UGMK - Union des Groupements Maréchaux de Kinwenzla (DR Congo)
- Université des Collectivités de Côte d’Ivoire
- UVICOCI - Union des villes de Côte d’Ivoire
- Veterinmed (Haiti)
- VVV - Villages et Villes à Vivre (DR Congo)

Organizations - Northern NGOs

- ACF - Action Contre la Faim
- AFDI - Agriculteurs Français et Développement International
- ANG - Association Normandie Guinée
- APEFE - Association pour l’éducation et la formation à l’étranger
- APDRA - Pisciculture Paysanne
- Ashoka - Entrepreneuriat social
- AVSF - Agromones et Vétérinaires Sans Frontières
- BABG - Banque Alimentaire Bordeaux et Gironde
- Bein-funded
- CAFA - Coopérative Agricole et Foresterie du Sud-Atlantique
- CARE France
- CARI - Centre d’Action et de Réalisations Internationales
- CBSP - Centre Social Bordeaux-Nord
- Croix Rouge Française
- ESFI - Eau Sans Frontière International/Clubs Rotary
- Etc Terras Volontaires
- GRET - Groupe de Recherche et d’Échanges Technologiques
- IFAID - Institut de Formation et d’Appuis aux Initiatives de Développement - Bordeaux
- Lion’s Club de Vinny
- Médecins du Monde Orientation durable
- Planète urgence
- SOS-Sahel
- Terre et Humanisme
- WWF France

Training and Research

- AgroParisTech
- BEM - Bordeaux Ecole de Management
- CHEDD - Collège des Hautes Études de l’Environnement et du Développement Durable
- CIRAD - Centre International de Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement
- Montpellier SupAgro / IRC - Institut des Régions Chaudes
- ENSAT - Ecole Nationale Supérieure Agronomique de Toulouse
- HEC - Ecole des Hautes Études Commerciales de Paris
- ICRA - Centre International pour la Recherche Agronomie orientée vers le Développement
- INSEAD - Institut Européen d’Administration des Affaires
- IRD - Institut de Recherche pour le Développement
- ISTOM - Institut Supérieur des Sciences et Techniques d’Outre-mer
- Sciences-Po Paris

Solidarity Networks

- CFSI - Comité Français pour la Solidarité Internationale
- Cités-Unies France
- Coordination Sud
- GTD - Groupe de Travail sur la Désertification
- Inter-réseaux Développement rural
- RADDO - Réseau de Développement Durable des Oasis
- RADSI Aquitaine

Enterprises

- Accor
- Atout RH
- Biochern
- BNP-Paribas (fonds carbone)
- CDC - Caisse des Dépôts
- CFAO
- CJD - Centre des Jeunes Dirigeants
- Club Méditerranée
- Hom&Ter Développement
- Houyet Agoudjement
- Kosan Engineering
- LSDL - Laiterie de Saint Denis de l’Hôtel
- MC2 Partenaire / In extenso
- Total Gabon
- Veolia Environnement

Foundations

- Fondation Alliance pour l’Environnement
- Fondation Entreprise et Solidarité
- Fondation Caritas
- FHNI - Fondation Nicolas Hulot pour la Nature et l’Homme
- Fondation de France
- Fondation France Champignon
- Fondation GoodPlanet
- IGF - Fondation Internationale pour la gestion de la Faim
- Fondation Mohammed V pour la Solidarité (Morocco)
- Fondation Mohammed VI pour la protection de l’environnement (Morocco)
- Fondation Naturex
- Fondation Norsys
- Fondation ProVictimis
- Fondation Rotary International
- Fondation Un Monde par Nous
- Fondation Veolia Environnement

Local Authorities

- Hauts-de-Seine’s General Council
- Héraulif’s General Council
- Aquitaine’s Regional Council
- Ile-de-France’s Regional Council
- Antananarivo’s Urban Community (Madagascar)
- Northern Department (Haiti)
- Abidjan District (Ivory Coast)
- Link between local authorities FATTADA (Madagascar)
- Adjarné City Authority (Ivory Coast)
- Cocody City Authority (Ivory Coast)
- Cotonou City Authority (Benin)
- Paris City Authority

Institutional

- AFD - Agence Française de Développement
- CTB - Coopération Technique Belge
- FIDA - Fonds International pour le Dév. Agricole
- GIZ - Coopération Allemande
- HCR - Haut Commissariat pour les Réfugiés
- JICA - Coopération japonaise
- MAE - Ministère français des Affaires Etrangères
- FAO - Organisation des Nations Unies pour l’alimentation et l’agriculture
- PAM - Programme Alimentaire Mondial
- PNUD - Programme des Nations Unies pour le développement
- EU - European Union
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