

Sustainable Afforestation in Togo

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PROJECT TOGO is an afforestation project that captures CO₂ emissions while engaging communities to provide long-term co-benefits in the areas of energy, water supply, health, education and social affairs . The projects demonstrates how sustainability can be achieved by creating an ecosystem whose bio-capacity serves the diversity and stability of ecological and social life.

Through PROJECT TOGO, an area of 1,000 hectares is being afforested, bringing a multitude of benefits to the regional ecosystem. The project seeks to strengthen cooperative structures and include local stakeholders from the ground up. By working with local stakeholders in all stages of the project – from the establishment of nurseries, the growing of native tree species, to the supervision and management of forest and arable farmland, and the implementation of health, education, and civic infrastructure – the project is able to achieve long-term benefits that enhance natural and social resources.

As a result, investments generate a maximum impact in improving ecological resilience and diversity, and improving the lives of local communities. The resulting partnership between investors, project developers, and local people, coupled with its exemplary transparency, ensures that PROJECT TOGO's commitment goes far beyond the goals of strictly carbon offset projects.

Project impacts and benefits:

- 1000 hectares of fallow land afforested
- Improvement of microclimate, soil and water quality
- Mitigation and adaptation to climate change
- Enhanced social and ecological resilience
- Knowledge transfer
- Employment and income for local people

- Economic growth and sustainable land use
- Health – Workshops about first aid, on-the-job safety, water and hygiene
- Education –building of schools
- Energy – solar panels for schools and private homes
- Water – well-building

More information can be found [here>>](#)
