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Smallholder Sustainability
Upscaling Programme

PROMOTING DIVERSIFIED AGROFORESTRY AND COMPOSTING FOR IMPROVED NUTRITION OF SMALLHOLDER HOUSEHOLDS IN BURKINA FASO



Africa



Latin America



Asia



Financial services delivery



Capacity building for end
beneficiaries



Market access and
product development



Management systems
improvement

CONTEXT

Burkina Faso is a landlocked country in West Africa. Its population is estimated to about 25 million inhabitants with an annual growth rate of 2.2%. As in most countries in the region, agricultural sector remains the backbone of the economy, driving rural livelihoods and food security. In addition to the ongoing security challenges, persistent issues such as climate variability, soil fertility decline, and limited market access continue to hinder progress. About 10% of the population still face acute food insecurity, highlighting the gap between production gains and equitable distribution. Development partners are investing heavily in agricultural transformation, focusing on inclusive growth, women and youth inclusion, and sustainable farming practices.

CURRENT STATUS OF THE BENEFICIARY ORGANISATION

Founded in 2006 as a subsidiary of gebana AG (Switzerland), gebana Burkina Faso operates a fairtrade and organic mango and cashew supply chain, working with around 6,500 smallholder farming families in various regions across the country. Committing to value addition at origin, gebana works with smallholders through a team of 27 agrotechnicians who live in the communities they support. They implement the Internal Control System with cooperatives, provide training on organic production and improved farming practices, and purchase produce from farmers.

OBJECTIVE OF THE PROJECT

The project aims to contribute to the diversification of agroecosystems resulting in an increase in the resilience of the production systems, as well as the income and the food and nutritional security of the farming families.

The expected results of the project are:

- Train 500 smallholder farmers in 10 villages in agroecological biopesticide production and mango compost production for growing of food crops (such as Cassava, pigeon peas and sesame).
- Install 10 dynamic agroforestry demonstration plots in 3 villages, involving around 50 participants on each plot to learn how to prune trees, use biomass, plant trees and food crops, and manage natural regeneration.

PRIORITY TOPICS

Environment
and climate change

Food security
and improved nutrition

Gender equality

Fair agrifood systems



IMPACT INVESTOR



BENEFICIARY ORGANISATION
gebana Burkina Faso (agri-SME)

TARGET
1,000 smallholder farmers

AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN
Multiple

STARTING DATE
June 2026

DURATION
12 months

TOTAL TA BUDGET
€64,626
Including €49,945 (77%)
contribution from SSNUP



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