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CHOCÓ-DARIÉN COLOMBIA

**Working with indigenous communities
to tackle deforestation**



Implemented together with 33 forest-dependent community groups, the project aims to prevent deforestation across 13,456 hectares of tropical rainforest in the Darién region of Colombia. Through forest protection and sustainable development activities, the project reduces logging and unsustainable agricultural practices such as cattle ranching.



*Protecting one of
the most species-rich
lowlands of the planet.*

Located in north-western Colombia and extending from the Caribbean Sea to the Pacific coast, the Chocó-Darién region is one of the most biologically and culturally diverse areas in the world. Through the implementation of community-based forest protection activities, the Chocó-Darién Project is mitigating deforestation across more than 13,000 hectares of rainforest.

The project is managed by Cocomasur, an association of Afro-Colombian families that was awarded the land title over the area in 2005. Working with 1,992 people across 9 villages, the project helps to protect the area's rich ecosystems while providing alternative models of economic development such as sustainable land-use and improved harvesting methods for timber and non-timber products.

Since the project started in 2010, more than 40 full- and part time positions have been created for forest rangers, project managers, and administration and support roles. At least 50% of carbon revenues will be invested in alternative activities for local populations.

1 NO
POVERTY



1,992

People benefit from improved livelihoods

8 DECENT WORK AND
ECONOMIC GROWTH



40

Full- and part-time jobs created

13 CLIMATE
ACTION



96,608

tCO₂e mitigated per year

15 LIFE
ON LAND



13,456

ha of forest planted

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

For more information on the UN Sustainable Development Goals please visit: <http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/>