

MADAGASCAR

Improving land tenure security for Madagascar's producers and farmers



AFD is supporting a land tenure security project in Madagascar with the aim of increasing the incomes of rural producers, securing their plots, and reducing conflicts related to land ownership. This will lead to more equitable and sustainable land management.

CONTEXT

The political crisis, which hit Madagascar from 2009 to 2013, has significantly worsened the level of poverty of the population, particularly in the Analamanga and Itasy regions, which have the largest number of poor rural households among the country's 22 regions. There is a major shortage in the availability of food products compared to urban demand, particularly for certain fruit and vegetable products, poultry, fresh milk, fish and fuelwood, which leads to inflationary pressure on retail prices.

In the rural communities which are directly called on to supply food to the capital, land tenure security is one of the recurrent problems which undermine agricultural development. The micro-fragmentation of peri-urban agricultural areas, difficulties and slowness in obtaining titles and lack of access to land certificates hold back investments and hinder agricultural intensification initiatives.

DESCRIPTION

The project to support land tenure reform and security (ARSF) around Antananarivo aims to improve land tenure security for rural actors in Madagascar in general, and in the communities around Antananarivo in particular. This project has the three following objectives:

- Provide 75 rural communities with mechanisms to secure land rights and for territorial management and property taxation;
- Provide farmers in these communities with access to farmland with secure conditions, allowing them to scale up their production;
- Support the implementation of the National Land Tenure Program, and in particular the institutions in charge of the land tenure reform and civil society.

IMPACTS

- At the economic level: income secured for 20,000 producers through the issuance of proof of land ownership; At the social level: reduction in conflicts related to land and the use of natural resources;
- At the environmental level: promotion of agroecological practices and reforestation (fuelwood);
- At the institutional level: strengthening of community institutions in charge of the land tenure reform launched in 2005 and of civil society. Over 2,000 land certificates and 2,000 land titles have already been issued, 11 community land tenure offices have opened, and 22 mayors have been trained in decentralized land management.



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Project start date

31/12/2019
Project end date



Itasy
Location



Agriculture and Rural Development
sector(s)



Grant
financing tool(s)



4 000 000 EUR
Financing amount

ONGOING
Status

Ministry in charge of Presidential Projects Spatial Planning and Equipment
Local Development Fund National Institute for Decentralization and Local Development Land observatory Solidarity of the Stakeholders on Land
Beneficiaries

