



Global Climate Change Alliance Plus (GCCA+) – West Africa



Total duration : 5 years

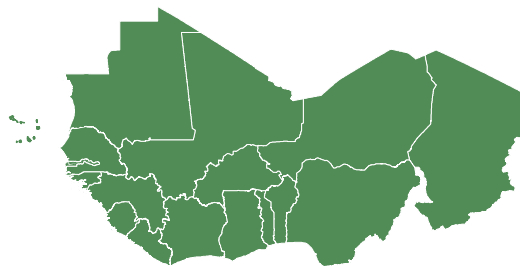


27th December
2017

1st January
2019

26th December
2022

ECOWAS zone (15 countries) + Chad and Mauritania:



INTRA-ACP GCCA+ PROGRAMME An initiative of the ACP Group of States funded by the European Union's European Development Fund

Purpose

As a regional variation of the intra-ACP program, the GCCA + West Africa project aims to participate in the West African regional effort to implement the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. To this end, it targets the capacity building of regional institutions in West Africa, but also the emergence of innovative field solutions to strengthen the climate resilience of agricultural and rural actors.



Expected Outcomes



1. ECOWAS and its specialized agencies develop operational and institutional capacities that meet the needs of member countries (+ Chad and Mauritania) in the areas of concentration of GCCA +, in climate negotiations and in the implementation of the Paris Agreement.



2. Regional (ECOWAS) and national strategies and priorities for the implementation of the Paris Agreement on Climate in member countries are strengthened and their implementation is supported.



3. Adaptation pilot projects serving as references for future replication are leveraged (extension or replication).



4. Regional organizations and ECOWAS member countries are stepping up to share information and skills, results and knowledge on climate action.



5. The capacity of technical institutes, universities and regional centers to provide training, research and innovation support services in sectors related to adaptation and mitigation of climate change is strengthened.

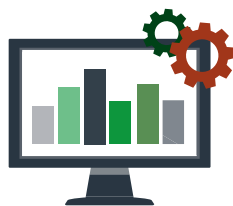


6. In the perspective of future support through finance and climate investments, innovative public-private approaches to climate and economic resilience are prepared and tested.

Activities



Strengthen the institutional leadership of ECOWAS on climate through the emergence of regional strategies and community schemes for member countries.



Support the operational implementation by countries of their commitments under the Paris Agreement.



Strengthen the capacities of national negotiators, create a regional task force and bring out common regional positions.



Create an offer of diploma courses on climate change in the region, and more general public e-learning courses.



Facilitate access to climate finance.



Fund pilot adaptation projects in the rural development and resilient agriculture sector through the launch of a call for projects.

Financial partner and budget



European Union



12 MILLIONS €



Expertise France



100 000 €, CO-FUNDING

Roles

The GCCA + project is implemented by Expertise France, prime contractor, and benefits from two regional anchors: the political leadership of ECOWAS, and the technical participation of CILSS, which will implement part of the activities.

The Project Coordination Unit (PCU) is housed within the ECOWAS Regional Agency for Agriculture and Food (RAAF).



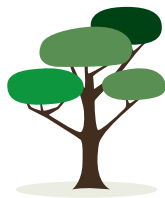
Key indicators and targets



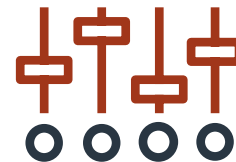
A regional task force on negotiations



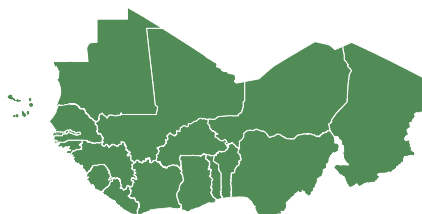
A regional climate strategy for the implementation of the Paris Agreement



15 pilot adaptation projects, including solutions based on an ecosystem approach, are funded at 3,5 million Euros and implemented



4 pilot carbon sites set up to strengthen MRV systems



At least 7 countries with up-to-date hydro-climatological database



At least 40 professionals trained in Master's Degree in Climate Change and Sustainable Development