



## TRANSFORMING EASTERN PROVINCE THROUGH ADAPTATION

# TREPA

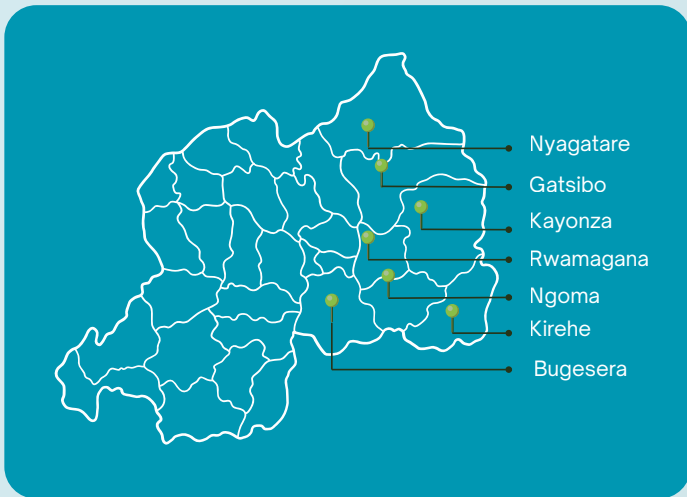
2022-2025



# PROJECT OVERVIEW

Rwanda's Eastern Province, an agricultural hub, faces rising drought, erratic rains, and land degradation, causing crop failures and poverty. The TREPA project targets these issues, using reforestation, agroforestry, and soil restoration to build resilient, productive landscapes and support livelihoods.

**Coverage:** All 7 districts in Rwanda's Eastern Province



## Duration

6 year flagship initiative (2021-2027)

## Budget

**\$33.8M**

from Green Climate Fund

**\$15.8M**

co-financing

## Partners

**Lead Partners:** Government of Rwanda, IUCN, GCF

**Implementing Partners:** Enabel, CIFOR-ICRAF, Cordaid, RFA, World Vision

## TREPA Project Targets

The targets of the TREPA project is to restore 60,000 hectares of drought-degraded landscapes across the Eastern Province.



Strengthen climate-smart value chains for sustainable restoration



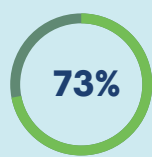
Promote clean cooking for 100,000 households

Building lasting institutional strength

# KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE

## Restoring land, renewing livelihoods

The TREPA project restored **43,777 hectares (73%)** of degraded landscapes, of which **agroforestry (cropland and silvopasture systems) accounts for 83%**



**28,801** hectares of agricultural land have been restored through agroforestry with an average tree density of 89 trees per hectare



**6,250** hectares of private woodlots and State-owned forests rehabilitated and sustainably managed.



**1,270** hectares of ecologically sensitive lands restored.



**7,456** hectares of pastoral lands brought under climate-resilient silvopastoral packages.



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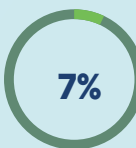
**17,861,720** seedlings planted, both native and introduced species



**289,339** fruit trees distributed to 72,334 households (4 grafted avocado trees per household)



**236,695** beneficiaries have adopted diversified climate-resilient livelihood options



**7,000** improved cooking stoves distributed

## Financial inclusion and investment in climate-resilient value chain

### Financial Inclusion Success

- **2,068** savings groups established with **33,644** beneficiaries
- FRW **5.7** billion in climate-sensitive loans disbursed to **3,278** clients
- **1,266** female clients | FRW **2,293,972,320**
- **1,949** male clients | FRW **3,417,731,953**
- **881** savings groups mobilized FRW **217** million from members
- **67** climate-sensitive financial products developed across **11** value chains by SACCOs, MFIs & banks

### Fodder Value Chain

#### Production Systems:

- Assessments of **5,002** hectares of restored pastureland showed survival rates of **85%** for *Gliricidia sepium* and **75%** for *Calliandra calothyrsus*

#### Storage Infrastructure:

- **1** livestock feed storage area completed in Nyagatare
- **5** youth-operated restoration enterprises

### Bee Product Value Chain

#### Infrastructure Development:

- **10** beekeeping cooperatives received **104** modern beehives and processing equipments
- **5** honey/wax storage stations established and equipped
- **46,700** bee forage tree seedlings planted on **35** hectares

#### Market Access:

- Akagera Beekeepers Union achieved S-Mark registration (precursor to brand development)
- **6** cooperatives established viable business relationships with buyers

## Tree Crop Value Chain

### Production & Enterprise Creation:

- **3** women and youth-led seed enterprises established with viable business plans
- **3** district-level tree nursery enterprises developed
- **2** wood farm enterprises developed
- **1** livestock feed enterprise developed
- **70** cooperatives managing PFMUs prepared for Rwanda Wood Value Chain Association (RWVCA) membership

### Market Linkages:

- Platform established for market linkages between PFMU cooperatives and RWVCA members
- **15** cooperative with business plans developed for climate resilient value chain

## Building lasting institutional strength

### Institutional Capacity Building

- **99** government staff trained on climate information systems
- All **7** districts integrated climate-resilient metrics into planning frameworks
- District Project Coordination Committees established for joint planning
- Forest Monitoring and Evaluation System (FMES) training provided

### Sustainability Framework

- Private Forest Management Units for community-managed woodlots
- Saving groups connected to formal financial institutions
- Climate-resilient metrics mainstreamed into district development strategies

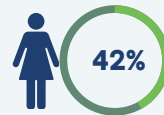
### Innovation & Technology

- Tree Finder App covering **222** tree species
- **24** research publications produced
- **5** agro-climatic maps completed
- National Breeding Program established

### Jobs created: 38,241



**22,080** men



**16,161** women



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