

Kikonda Forest Reserve



We share the joy and excitement of tree farming with our neighbors.

Project developer representative



High quality carbon credits derived from the reforestation of mosaic forest

» **Location**

Uganda

» **Project Area**

12,182 ha

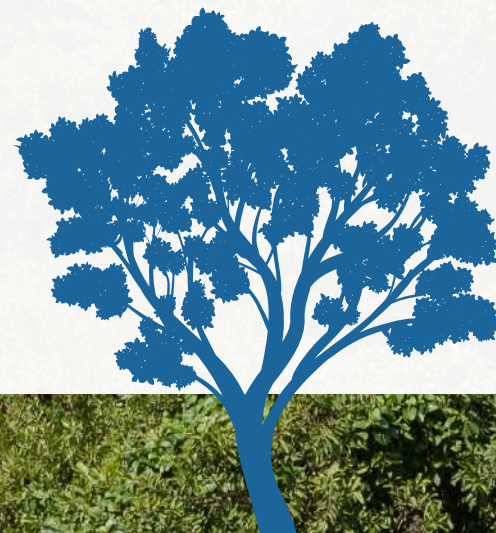
» **Emission Reduction**

1,200,00 t CO₂

Project Story

Over the last two decades, forests in Uganda have declined by more than 30%. This negative development requires the establishment of new forests such as the Kikonda Forest Reserve. The project developer and local communities use the „mosaic forest management“ and plant a variety of tree species that are modelled on natural and diverse tropical forests. Local farmers use forest management methods that allow cattle to graze in the afforested areas. Dialogue with the local people is one of the main objectives of the project. The project developer supports the rights of indigenous peoples and enables them to produce sustainable timber certified by the FSC. 200 households received fuel-efficient stoves and more than 370 households were trained in cattle breeding beforehand - both factors that reduce degradation of the remaining natural forests and shrubland. The Environmental Education Centre was established to train people in alternative animal husbandry, HIV awareness, herbal medicine and entrepreneurship.

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Social benefits

- » Creation of over 600 job opportunities. About 90 % of the money invested in Kikonda is spent on salaries
- » Promotion of education and school support by training over 6,000 neighbours and close to 3,000 school children in environmental conservation and sustainable forestation
- » More than 1,000 households trained in improved farming practices and advanced agricultural value chain management
- » Integrated capacity building and environmental education programmes for local communities including a trainee programme which so far qualified over 40 young professionals

Ecological values

- » Soil erosion prevention to protect the nutrients and soil microelements
- » More than 100 bird species and more than 15 mammal species spotted in Kikonda project area
- » Nature conservation outside the forest reserve – over 350 farmers received more than 300,000 seedlings to support “farmer induced reforestation” which encourages farmers to let natural trees re-grow on their land



Sustainable Development Goals

