

Cocoa & Forest Knowledge Exchange Additional program information

Targeted audience: Cocoa stakeholders from five core producing countries in West Africa and Latin America, WB task team leads, private sector representatives, NGOs and foundations, as well as experts in agroforestry and sustainable cocoa production.

Main objectives the objective of broader cocoa FCPF intervention is to facilitate the adoption of an economically viable and climate resilient growth trajectory for the cocoa agroforestry supply chain and expand deforestation-free agreements. These will be achieved through strengthening private-public partnerships, capacity building and knowledge exchange within the targeted countries. This knowledge exchange activity is a deliverable under this intervention. The exchanges are to explore synergies and learn lessons from experience across the program countries. Knowledge exchanges are also looking at synergies between supply chain data needs related to forest and land use, what is available and possible within the MRV-EWS (Monitoring Reporting and Verification and Early Warning Systems) framework in these countries.

Expected Outcomes:

- Capacity of stakeholders to implement sustainable practices is enhanced to make informed investment decisions through access to knowledge and guidelines on climate smart cocoa.
- Another deliverable for the cocoa program is the "Implementation Guide of cocoa agroforestry", the guide will be enriched by the discussion and discussions during the different sessions.
- Specific **case study** examples will be shared through the realisation of six videos.
- Cocoa stakeholders will expand their network and create a knowledge exchange community, establish alliances and duplicate positive results in their respective regions.

Next Steps:

- At the end of the 10-months program, a dissemination plan will be agreed for the final knowledge products: A practical Guide of cocoa agroforestry including financial models; a series of six short films showcasing cocoa and agroforestry good practices.
- A global vibrant sustainable cocoa network will continue to expand, exchange knowledge and create alliances.