



COMPENSATION PROJECT

CO₂OL Tropical Mix

CO₂OL Tropical Mix shows how a reforestation project can combine active carbon sequestration with benefits for the region, the ecosystem and the climate.

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GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION



Project Type	Reforestation
Location	Panama
Project Size	13,242 ha
Emission Reduction	3,379,220 t CO ₂
Standard	Gold Standard, FSC, EU organic (cocoa)
Project developers	ForestFinance Group, Sustainable Timber Eco Cebaco, Quetzal Blue



Gold Standard
for the Global Goals



ABOUT THIS PROJECT

Degraded land, originally forest land, later used for extensive cattle ranching, is reforested with mostly native tree species and gradually converted into mixed forests. The project provides sustainable timber production and cocoa cultivation; it protects biodiversity and restores a healthy forest ecosystem.

Sustainable forest management and cocoa production offer employment opportunities, therefore improve the economic and social situation of rural communities and families.

CO₂OL Tropical Mix has been one of the first in line to be successfully certified under the renowned Gold Standard for land use and forestry projects. The cocoa production areas have been the first agroforestry systems to be certified under the Gold Standard. In addition, the forest management received FSC certification (Forest Stewardship Council) and the cocoa production is EU organic certified.



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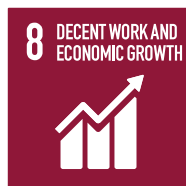
Social benefits

- Long-term and fair employment for local communities (more than 150 jobs created so far)
- Integrated capacity building and environmental education programmes
- Sustainable sources of income: sale of certified tropical timber, carbon credits, cocoa and seed material
- Supporting local schools with financial programs and educational materials

Ecological benefits

- Reforestation with 20 native tree species and protecting more than 30 other tree species
- Biodiversity “hotspot”: home to 15 endangered and vulnerable animal species, including brown-throated sloths and anteaters
- > 25 % of project area is under special protection as conservation area
- Creating ecological corridors between different project locations

This project focuses on the following Sustainable Development Goals:



COMMUNICATION MATERIAL

- Project description
- Project visit is possible
- Background stories
- Pictures