

Climate Protection Project Description

Tropical Mix Land Restoration Project Panama

Gold Standard Registration Number: **GS 2940**
Zukunftswerk Project Numbers: **CO2-91 and 9909en**

Project Summary

Name	Tropical Mix Land Restoration Project
Project Type	Afforestation/Reforestation
Host Country	Panama
Standards	Gold Standard VER
Project Developer	Forest Finance S.A., CO2OL
Certifier	Control Union Certification B.V.
Project Duration	1995-2025
Total CO2 Savings	1,330,758 tCO2
Annual CO2 Savings	44,358.6 tCO2

For further information, please visit the Gold Standard project web site, registration number [GS 2940](#)

The Context

Tropical Mix Panama is among the first Gold Standard certified forestry projects worldwide. The project also includes the cocoa production in the very first Gold Standard certified agro-forestry area.

Panama is losing more than 1 percent of its primary forest cover every year. Once a rich biodiverse forest, the project area was converted into pastoral agricultural land for intensive cattle ranching, destroying the existing ecosystem.

The Project

The primary aim of the project is to reforest the 13,385 ha with mostly native tree species reestablishing a mixed tropical forest. The project areas are divided between several fincas (small-scale farms), which are all managed using the same forestry management plan. The project also establishes areas that are used for the fair production of organic cacao and sustainable timber; the forest management received FSC certification (Forest Stewardship Council), the cocoa production is UTZ certified.

The Benefits

Thanks to its sustainable management, the project ensures biodiversity protection and ecosystem restoration while providing opportunities to locals for sustainable livelihoods. All the 150 project employees receive a wage above the legal minimum, including health insurance and a pension fund. They also have optional benefits including life insurance, training and further education and for the poorest quarter of the local population, school fee subsidies are available through the project.

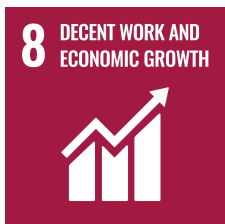
SDG Reference



1 NO POVERTY
Sustainable income sources from the sale of FSC certified timber, carbon credits cocoa and seed material



4 QUALITY EDUCATION
Environmental education programmes and training



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
150+ jobs created for locals in project operations, including scouting and fire prevention



13 CLIMATE ACTION
1.3 million tons of CO₂e mitigated over the lifespan of 30 years



15 LIFE ON LAND
13,385 ha of land protected and restored by the project as well as more than 7.5 million trees planted