

# Ghana forest landscape restoration grant scheme projects



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In support of Ghana's forest and landscape restoration aims, the European Union has funded a grant scheme, implemented by the European Forest Institute, to support not-for-profit and local organisations to implement restoration projects in Ghana's High Forest and Savanna ecological zones. From the end of 2025 through 2027, four projects will promote agroforestry, natural regeneration, and tree planting to restore degraded landscapes, while also advancing best practices in restoration.

## **Goshen Global Vision**

### **Community landscapes restoration project**

**Location:** Western Region (Daboase and Mpohor Wassa West Districts)

**Partner:** Adwuma Pa Cooperative Cocoa Farmers and Marketing Society

**Project aim:** Restore 3,000 hectares and plant 220,000 trees

#### **Planned activities:**

- Establish six community nurseries
- Provide training and job opportunities for both the nurturing and planting of trees to contribute to the revitalisation of cocoa agroforestry systems
- Support complementary activities such as beekeeping and cocoa husk briquette production, and the formation of Village Savings and Loans Associations, to address a common challenge facing restoration: the financial viability of alternative livelihood options to those causing deforestation

#### **Social inclusion and empowerment:**

The project centres women and youth as key actors for restoration, supporting them to foster sustainable resource management and community resilience.

## **Nature and Development Foundation**

### **Adopting agroforestry to catalyse landscape restoration**

**Location:** Bono East Region (Atebubu Amantin Municipal and Sene West Districts)

**Partner:** Sene West Cashew Farmers Association

**Project aim:** Restore 1,700 hectares of degraded forest land, engaging 4,200 farmers across 70 communities

#### **Planned activities:**

- Establish community nurseries for mango, cashew, and timber trees
- Expand upon and apply lessons learned from the Atebubu-Wiase Landscape project, including those related to the improved agricultural practices and tree planting
- Provide farmers with support for drip irrigation systems using recycled bottles and training in agroforestry and bush fire prevention

#### **Social inclusion and empowerment:**

The project aims to foster market linkages and government support to ensure sustainability and local ownership.

## **Proforest Initiative Africa**

### **Partnership for restoration of degraded Asunafo landscape**

**Location:** Asunafo-Asutifi landscape

**Partner:** Asunafo North Municipal Cooperative Cocoa Farmers Union

**Project aim:** Restore tree cover in 8,000 hectares of cocoa-forest mosaic

#### **Planned activities:**

- Tree nursery establishment and tree planting
- Capacity building on climate-smart agricultural practices to promote dynamic agroforestry
- Strengthening governance structures such as the Ayum-Asuokow CREMA through training

#### **Social inclusion and empowerment:**

The project will employ an innovative revolving fund to support the undertaking of sustainable livelihoods and improve the socio-economic conditions of women in the region.

## **World Vision Ghana**

### **FMNR heritage project**

**Location:** Upper East Region (Nabdram District)

**Partner:** Centre for Community Development Initiatives

**Project aim:** Restore 1,500 hectares of degraded land, enhance food security, and improve local livelihoods

#### **Planned activities:**

- Integrate farmer-managed natural regeneration (FMNR), agroecological practices, and indigenous knowledge to revive ecosystems and cultural heritage
- Establish community-based governance platforms and by-laws for managing natural resources
- Implement training programmes to empower local institutions, farmers, youth and women
- Promote green economic initiatives such as nurseries, eco-enterprises, and beekeeping and encourage financial inclusion through access to credit initiatives

#### **Social inclusion and empowerment:**

The project aims to reach and empower 10,000 people, fostering climate resilience, biodiversity conservation, and sustainable livelihoods through inclusive and culturally rooted restoration practices.