

Engaging small-holders in zero-deforestation agriculture

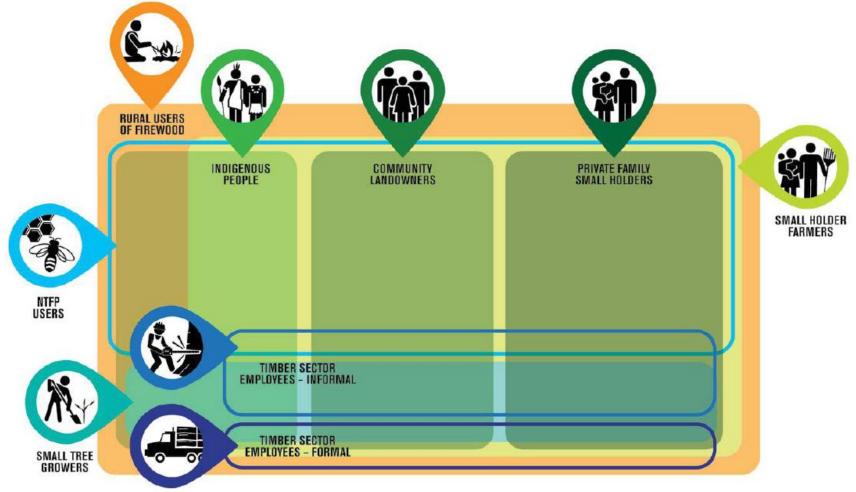
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Challenges and opportunities to engage smallholders in zero-deforestation agriculture

Who are we talking about?



Source: IIED, 2016

Smallholder farmers are central to the implementation of zero deforestation agriculture policies

Smallholders produce 80% of food in the developing world, usually on plots between 1-10 hectares

Increased land pressure

Food security

Lack of informed consent

Additional costs

Vertical value chains

Main risks faced by small holders in zero-deforestation contexts

How to reach and attract fragmented smallholders?

	Current challenges	Incentive to change practices
Env/biophysical	 Aging plantations and depleted soils Loss of « forest rent » Risk of disease outbreak 	Higher yieldsAdaptation to climate changeAccess to input
Economics	 Labor intensive Seasonality and exposure to negative shocks Lack of extension services 	- Price premium- Improved farmgate price
Finance	High poverty levelsLimited access to finance	Diversification of incomePES
Social	 Aging population with limited ability to reinvest 	Creation and development of cooperativesAgriculture entrepreneurshipCapacity-building
Governance	- Land tenure insecurity	Fairer revenue sharingRecognition of user's and land rights

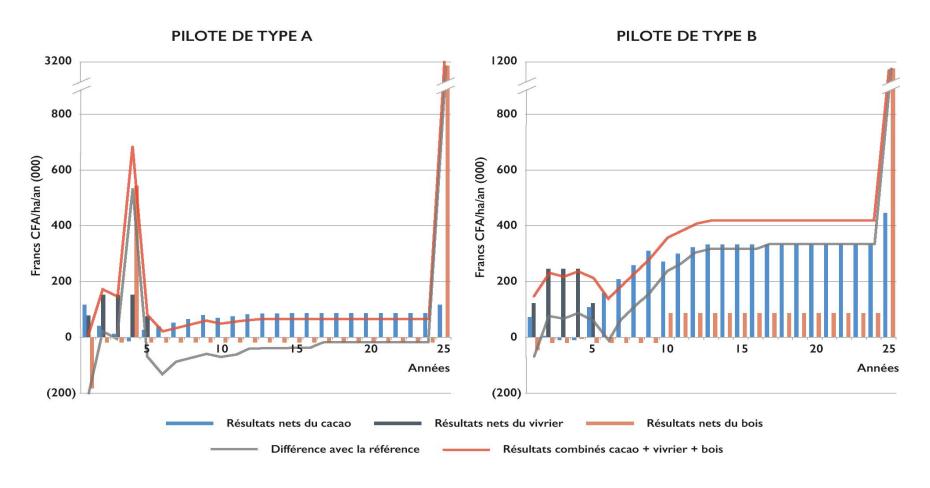
Solutions in practice



PPPs for mutual benefit

- In Côte d'Ivoire, government+chocolate buyer providing incentives for agro-forestry and reforestation in cocoa plantation
- Adaptation to climate impacts and revenue diversification are the main incentives

Finding the balance between environmental and socio-economic benefits



Source: UNEP-FI and EFI

Creating a market for zerodeforestation commodities

 Certification approaches starting to go beyond ecological to zero-deforestation standards





Implementing appropriate policy reforms

- Governments play a key role in enabling investment in zerodeforestation production
- Securing land and tree tenure for smallholders as an incentive for replantation

Conclusion

- Smallholders are the central actors of zero-deforestation policies
- It is important to offer a comprehensive package of incentives that address the reality of the field and the socioeconomic context
- Private and public actors have a complementary role to play



Thank you

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