



## **YOU ARE:**

An **NGO**, a social business, a cooperative... working closely with rural and agricultural communities, whose livelihoods strongly depend on the natural resources they live by. You have successfully implemented **carbon-saving technology projects** such as **efficient cookstoves**, **biodigesters** ... which help reduce the consumption of natural resources, save carbon emissions, and improve households' lives. As such, you are:

- An organisation with **deep local roots** and an expert understanding of the **social, economic, and environmental** challenges the communities in your action perimeter are facing.
- A **trusted leader with a vision** on how to provide households with sustainable and efficient energy solutions that improve their livelihoods.
- Able to **show a successful track-record** in implementing carbon-saving technologies and ambition to reach a larger scale (at least 30,000 household beneficiaries).
- Willing to embark on a **co-creation partnership** with us, based on mutual trust, complementary skills, and common values to generate impact.

### **WE ARE:**

An impact investment fund designed to support the efforts of rural and agricultural communities to restore the natural ecosystems which are the foundations of their **livelihoods**, food security and income. For more than 10 years, our action has been driven by the conviction that climate change, rural poverty and biodiversity preservation are interlinked. As such, we:



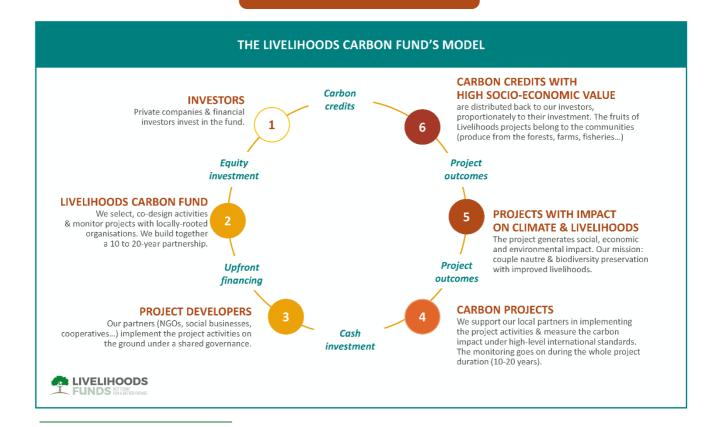
- **Pre-finance** the project activities & **share risks** with our local partners.
- Invest & commit in the long run: 10 years in average.
- Make sure the local communities are directly involved in the project activities and are the actors of change.
- Support large-scale projects (> 1,000 hectares at least) to achieve a systemic change.
- Bring advisory & technical support to monitor and evaluate the project's impacts.

### LET'S JOIN FORCES TO REACH IMPACT AT SCALE:

With a first fund launched in 2011, the Livelihoods Carbon Funds¹ (LCF) invest in large-scale projects to restore natural ecosystems, promote sustainable farming practices and renewable energies. These projects have a positive impact on the environment while improving the livelihoods of rural communities. A second Livelihoods Carbon Fund was launched in 2017. Since 2008, Livelihoods has implemented with NGO partners a wide range of solutions from agroforestry to land restoration in Kenya, Rwanda, India, or Guatemala, to name a few. To date, more than 1.5 million people benefit from our support, more than 130 million trees have been planted, including mangroves and agroforestry trees.

Capitalizing on its long-term experience on the ground, Livelihoods has launched a 3rd Carbon Fund (LCF3) to scale-up its action. This new fund has a capacity of €150 million and aims at improving the lives of 2 million people across the world.

**SUBMIT A PROJECT PROPOSAL** 



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Livelihoods Carbon Funds are supported by 21 companies & financial investors: Danone, Firmenich, Schneider Electric, Voyageurs du Monde, Hermès, La Poste, Caisse des Dépôts, Michelin, SAP, Crédit Agricole SA, Crédit Agricole Midi-Pyrénées, Eurofins, Mars Incorporated, Chanel, Orange, McCain, l'Occitane, Bel, Mauritius Commercial Bank, DEG and the Global Environment Facility (GEF).



# **OUR ONGOING CARBON-SAVING TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS:**

### **EMBU COUNTY, KENYA:**

Reducing deforestation through rural energy & agroforestry with 60,000 households



Baptized "Hifadhi", which means "to preserve" in Swahili, this project has distributed 60,000 efficient cookstoves in Embu County, at the foot of Mount Kenya. "Hifadhi" cookstoves are made of locally sourced metal and ceramic materials.

They are highly energy-efficient because of a ceramic liner that improves combustion and retains heat longer. Its main quality is that it decreases wood consumption by 60% compared to traditional three-stone cookstoves. The project will save 13,000 tons of wood and avoid more than 1 million tons of  $CO_2$  over 10 years.

More about Livelihoods' rural energy project in Kenya.

### **BAM & LOROUM PROVINCES, BURKINA FASO:**

Combating desertification & increasing food security with 30,000 families



Implemented with local NGO Tiipaalga in the provinces of Bam & Loroum, Livelihoods has equipped 30,000 households with efficient cookstoves made from "Banco", which comes from locally-sourced ingredients: manure, straw, water, and clay.

The stoves help reduce wood consumption by up to 60% compared to the traditional 3-stone Burkinabe stoves, which will in turn help minimize deforestation and bring benefits to the local women (less time spent collecting firewood, reduced health risks thanks to less smoke exposure, etc.). The project will save 700,000 tons of  $CO_2$  over 10 years while improving the lives of close to 200,000 beneficiaries. More about Livelihoods' project in Burkina Faso.

#### **MACHINGA & ZOMBA DISTRICTS, MALAWI:**

Coupling efficient rural energy with reduced poverty & job creation over 10 years



Malawi is a poor, landlocked country with 85% of a rural and growing population, almost all of whom using wood and crop residue as a cooking fuel. Launched in 2020, Livelihoods-rural energy project in Malawi intends to improve the living conditions of rural households thanks to an innovative and social impact driven model. Implemented in Machinga and Zomba districts, in the southern region of Malawi, the project will help distribute a total of 60,000 cookstoves that will help reduce deforestation, improve health of rural families, and sequester close to 700,000 tCO2 over 10 years. More about Livelihoods projects.

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