



Livelihoods' call for:
**THE RESTORATION/CONSERVATION OF NATURAL
& HIGH BIODIVERSITY ECOSYSTEMS**

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 restoration/conservation projects with a special focus on **wetland, mangrove restoration, REDD+ ...** which help restore biodiversity, improve the livelihoods of rural communities and combat climate change. 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 support communities in their effort to restore the natural ecosystems they live by.
- Able to **show a successful track-record** in implementing these projects and ambition to reach a larger scale (more than 1,000 hectares of natural ecosystems restored/preserved).
- 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.

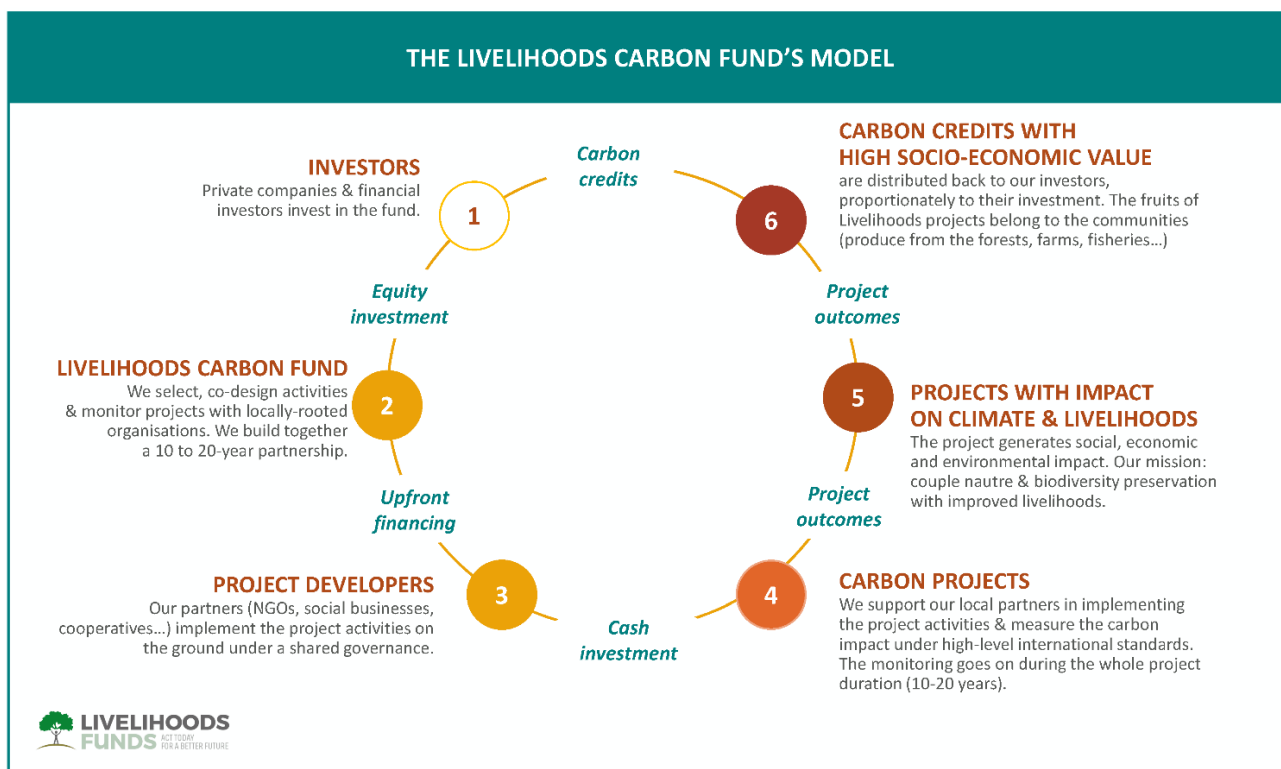
- **Invest & commit** in the **long run**: 10 years in average.
- Make sure the local **communities are directly involved** in the project activities and are the actors of change.
- Support **large-scale projects** (> 1,000 hectares at least) to achieve a systemic change.
- Bring **advisory & technical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

SUBMIT A PROJECT PROPOSAL

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 to improve the lives of 2 million people** across the world.



¹ 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 RESTORATION/CONSERVATION PROJECTS:

CASAMANCE & SINE SALOUM, SENEGAL:

80 million of mangroves restored to boost biodiversity, income, and villagers' pride



Livelihoods' mangrove restoration project in Senegal has helped 450 local villages replant 10,415 hectares between 2008 and 2012. It involved the participation of more than 200,000 people. The revived mangroves have helped bring back biodiversity, fish, and new sources of income to thousands of local communities.

In 2018, French Research Institute "La Tour du Valat" conducted a study that measured the project's impacts, 10 years after its launch. Beyond its key socio-economic impacts such as the restoration of biodiversity and improved income, the study revealed the project remains to date one of the collective actions the villagers are the proudest of. [Read the study.](#)

SUNDARBANS, INDIA:

16 million mangrove trees to protect coastal communities



Implemented with the [Nature Environment & Wildlife Society \(NEWS\)](#) this project is ensuring the local communities' safety by reinforcing the existing dykes since mangroves are among the strongest natural barriers against cyclones and hurricanes. The new mangroves also produce timber and increase food supply, as villagers are now able to earn extra income by selling the crabs, shrimps, and mollusks from the mangrove forests. Thanks to the restoration of more than 5,000 hectares, fish, birds, shrimps, and other crustaceans are back. In May 2020, when Amphan cyclone hit the region the mangroves acted as a bio-shield and played a key role in protect local communities. [Learn more.](#)

ACEH & NORTH SUMATRA, INDONESIA:

Mangroves revitalizing coastal villages thanks to a rich biodiversity & new sources of income



Launched in 2011 with [Yagasu](#) NGO the project has helped plant 18 million seedlings on 5,000 hectares of mangrove forests, and as a result, increased the resilience of the local population from erratic climatic events, such as the tsunami which hit the area in 2004. The mangrove forests contribute to restore vital agricultural land: the project has generated new sources of economic income. The villagers can now sell the by-products of the mangroves such as fish, crabs, mollusks, and natural dyes that could be made from the parts of the mangrove tree. In 2018, a new carbon project financed by Livelihoods is helping restore 5,000 additional hectares and boost economic opportunities for the communities. [More about the project's economic impact.](#)
