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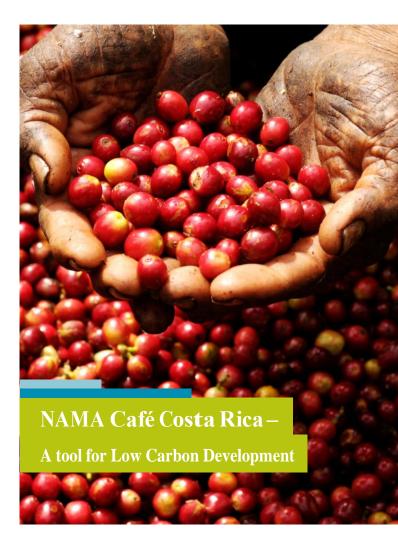
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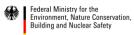








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The Costa Rican coffee sector

The production of coffee, an integral part of the history and identity of Costa Rica, contributes 7 % (2013) of the national greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. To reach the Costa Rican goal of carbon neutrality in 2012, and contribute to international climate protection efforts, the country has established the first agricultural Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Action (NAMA) in the world that is ready for implementation.

The NAMA Café Costa Rica aims to reduce GHG emissions and improve resource use efficiency at the level of both coffee plantations and coffee mills. These actions will create the first low-emission coffee worldwide and give Costa Rican coffee producers access to new markets. The NAMA Café receives technical and financial assistance from the NAMA Support Project (NSP).



Costa Rica's coffee plantations stretch along the country's mountain range, covering more than 90,000 hectares between 600 and 1,600 meters above sea level. 20% are situated in areas of biocorridors. The coffee sector comprises 50,000 producers, 172 coffee mills, 57 exporters and 37 coffee toasters, representing 8 % of the Costa Rican workforce.

Overall goal and concept of the NAMA Café

The overarching goal of the NAMA Café is to produce and process coffee in Costa Rica in a low-emission, sustainable fashion. There are three specific objectives:

- 1. to reduce GHG emissions in production and processing;
- 2. to produce and process high quality coffee in an environmentally friendly and socially sustainable manner, providing an adequate income to farmers and preserving natural resources:
- 3. to leverage additional public and private financing for investments in innovative technologies and practices.



The NAMA Support Project (NSP)

A total funding commitment amounting to US\$ 7,4 million enables technical and feasibility studies, capacity-building measures, carbon audits and other awareness raising activities. The financial assistance component offers direct investment subsidies to facilitate the adoption of innovative technologies in coffee mills as well as low-interest credits for the implementation of low-emission technologies.

The main scope is in the Zona de Los Santos, Valle Central and Valle Occidental regions. The NSP in 4 years aims to reach at least 6,000 producers on 25,000 ha, who apply at least 2 promoted technologies, and at least 50 mills, which apply at least 2 GHG emission-reducing technologies.

NAMA Support Project goals

Low-emission, sustainable coffee production

The aim is to optimize fertilizer use to reduce emissions and provide financial support to producers who change their agroforestry system, i.e. by introducing new species of trees on their farms.



Low-emission coffee processing

Improving the use of energy and water resources will help increase the eco-efficiency in grain drying and in the treatment of waste and effluents.

Measurement, Reporting and Verification system (MRV)

The measurement, report and verification of the actual emissions in farms and mills help define the baseline and show emissions reductions.

Access to differentiated markets

Coffee producers will have access to markets for coffee at favorable prices due to their product's low carbon footprint, high quality and sustainable production.

NAMA Café Fund and financial incentives

A support fund will enable banks to offer credits with lower interest rates to producers and millers for investments in low-emission technologies and practices.