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Traditional ecological knowledge, tree management practices, uses and economic dependency of local population on forests and tree based systems in the context of their degradation

Bridging restoration and multi-functionality in degraded forest landscape of Eastern Africa and Indian Ocean Islands

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Introduction

Researchers involved in Workpackage1 of FOREAIM project study agro-ecological knowledge, tree management practices and the economic dependency of local populations on forests and tree based systems in the context of degradation. To take into account results of previous studies, an analysis of the existing literature on determining factors in forest degradation at local and national level was undertaken. Through participative surveys and field inventories with target groups of stakeholders, the workpackage provides assessment of agro-ecological knowledge, tree management practices, and system interconnections at landscape level.

For this mission, Nicole Sibelet (CIRAD TERA) went on a one week mission to Uganda to participate in the Workshop held in Kampala (June 13-16th) to deliver the State of The Art and to program the second year work.

Mission objectives

1. To take part in the regional workshop on "The state of The art".
2. To assist on the design of a common methodological platform.
3. To establish the second year program
4. To deliver and agree together the project reporting due to the European Community

Outcomes

1. WP1 regional meeting was held in Uganda (13th-16th March, 40 attendants) in Makerere University.
2. The four partners (KEFRI, Makerere University, Madagascar University and FOIIFA) presented The Sate of The Art for the three countries concerned.
3. A common methodological approach developed, for several months, between all the partners involved, to ensure surveys and interviews produce scientific data that can be compared between countries was achieved.
4. The common framework building in order to do applied research and partnership rather than top-down approach was achieved
5. Links have been developed between WP1 and other WPs . Common methods were shared with WP6. Specific community selection will be done on the basis on the pre-survey results.
6. The WP1 project reporting was agreed.
7. Ethics issues were discussed and a note was send to JM Bouvet to forward it to Europe Union in the General Project Reporting.
8. Agreement to submit a paper according to the results of the State of The Art in the NUFU conference in Kampala on 2006 October. Contact for FOREAIM : John Tabuti.

Contacts

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Next steps

- Sending, from NS to Jean-Marc Bouvet, the WP1 project reporting agreed in Kampala on June 20th.
- Sending of the Final reports on The State of The Art, from the four partners (Makerere Univ., KEFRI, Madagascar Univ. FOFIFA) to CIRAD (NS), on June 27th and then sending to all the members of FOREAIM through the WP leaders.
- Sending of proposition to submit paper to the NUFU conference in Kampala on 2006 October. Contact for FOREAIM: John Tabuti
- Confirmation of WP1 Workplan strategy second year
- Achievement of the Diagnosis of local agro-ecological knowledge, stakeholders perceptions and dependency on forest and tree resources survey
- Final delivery of this diagnosis on 2007 April after a draft 1 in October and a draft 2 in end of February and a regional meeting.
- KEFRI proposes to host the next regional meeting in early 2007. It would take place in Londiani Centre so that we will be on the site studied by the Kenyan so with closer contacts to the stakeholders. This location will permit to more Ugandan colleagues to be present than if the meeting was held in Nairobi.
- The National Meeting for FOREAIM (all WP) France is to be held at the end of August. The date has to be fixed.

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