Investing in forest landscape restoration

Generating returns from public and private financing
A natural solution

Restoring forest and agricultural landscapes helps recapture ecosystem services such as soil fertility, biomass regeneration, carbon sequestration, and watershed regulation – essential for productive landscapes and healthy crops.

Delivers on:
- SDGs
- Aichi biodiversity targets
- NDCs
- REDD+ targets
- LDN targets
350 million hectare goal will generate (estimated):

- **US$ 170 billion per year in net benefits** such as watershed protection, improved crop yields and forest products.

- **Sequester up to 1.7 gigatonnes of carbon dioxide** equivalent annually.
Powerful Landscape Change

58 jurisdictions committed

170 million hectares pledged

450+ million hectares across the world already assessed for restoration potential

Over 20 million hectares of restoration potential in EU
Rwanda  (2 million hectare pledge)

690,629 hectares under restoration
22,300 jobs
11,360 tonnes of CO₂

RESTORATION UNDERWAY

- Agroforestry
- Natural regeneration
- Planted forests & woodlots
- Watershed protection & erosion control
Brazil (12 million hectare pledge)

9,424,802 hectares under restoration
151,000 jobs
1,363,900 tonnes of CO₂

RESTORATION UNDERWAY
USA (15 million hectare pledge)

16,959,000 hectares under restoration
55,000 jobs
5,200,000 tonnes of CO₂

RESTORATION UNDERWAY

- Silviculture
- Natural regeneration
- Planted forests & woodlots
- Watershed protection & erosion control
- Other
Generating multiple returns

US $56 return for every dollar invested in forest landscape restoration in Guatemala, projected over 20 years.

Benefiting companies and smallholder farmers by:

- Improving long-term land productivity and quality
- Diminishing environmental and social risks to supply chains
- Strengthening engagement with farmers, building trust
- Helping to meet corporate sustainability commitments
WHY INVEST IN FLR

- Restoration makes financial sense and returns multiple benefits such as:
  - Job creation
  - Carbon capture
- Reduces risk in both private and public sectors
- Helps meet sustainability targets

WHAT EU CAN DO TO INVEST

- Cross sectoral financing – such as from the forest and agriculture sectors
- In EU strategy implementation and as overseas development priorities:
  - Pledge to the Bonn Challenge
  - National level assessments