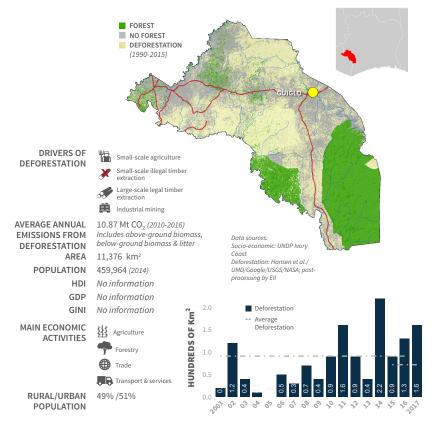


LOW-EMISSION RURAL DEVELOPMENT (LED-R) AT A GLANCE

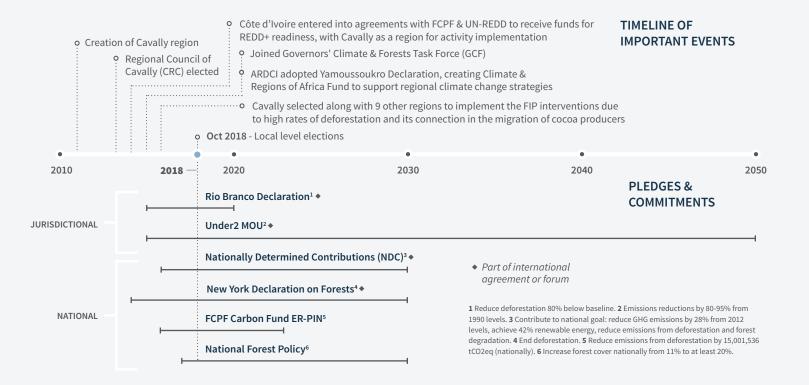
- 60% forest cover, but cocoa production, logging, & immigration contribute to accelerated deforestation, including in public forests
- Local population is generally aware of the negative consequences of climate change on agricultural production & wants to maintain the remaining forests for future generations
- 1 of the 5 regions included in the National Emission Reduction Program Idea Note (ER-PIN) for the FCPF Carbon Fund
- Taï National Park (ER-PIN project area) located partly in the Cavally region — high biodiversity & UNESCO World Heritage site — well-conserved but threatened by human-induced pressure
- Member of the Assembly of Regions & Districts of Côte d'Ivoire (ARDCI) — multi-level collaboration forum for representation of regions & districts in national & international contexts
- Immigration since 1970s from other regions of Côte d'Ivoire & abroad has increased land use pressure & conflicts, & provided work force for cacao, rubber, & wood production industries



SPOTLIGHT ON INNOVATION

The Initiative for Sustainable Landscapes (ISLA) program supports implementation of the Regional Spatial Planning and Development Plan (SRADT), a regional green growth strategy, and development of private sector zero-deforestation initiatives. Its implementation involves the Regional Council of Cavally (CRC), Forestry Development Authority (SODEFOR), Permanent Executive REDD+ Secretary (SEP-REDD+) and the Ministry of Planning and Development. The program has been in place since 2015, with funding from the CRC, the Ministry of Planning and Development, and IDH – The Sustainable Trade Initiative. The program trains public partners and local stakeholders in SRADT development methodologies, aids in public-private partnership development,

and helps the regional government develop green growth plans to achieve economic targets while maintaining environmental and social targets. IDH also works with the private sector to support sustainable commodity production, with a focus on cocoa. The program provides financial support to cocoa farmers to promote the use of agroforestry techniques and support to SODEFOR to increase protection of protected forests. ISLA is motivated by the important role cocoa production plays in regional deforestation. It links the main public and private actors for LED-R in Cavally and helps coordinate the different REDD+ and other conservation initiatives in the region. The inclusion of a wide range of SRADT-related actors is made possible by the direct intervention of IDH.





1 Multiple international agencies including FAO, EU FLEGT, GIZ, UNDP, & others. 2 Permanent Executive REDD+ Secretary (SEP-REDD+). 3 Ivorian Authority for Parks & Reserves (OIPR). 4 Ministry of Water & Forests (MINEF). 5 Multiple local NGOs. 6 German International Cooperation Agency (GIZ). 7 KfW German Development Agency. 8 Ministry of Environment & Sustainable Development (MINSEDD). 9 Regional Council of Cavally (CRC). 10 Ministry of Planning & Development. 11 IDH The Sustainable Trade Initiative. 12 Forestry Development Authority (SODEFOR). 13 World Cocoa Foundation.

PROGRESS TO JURISDICTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY

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Integrated LED-R Strategy	Elements of a LED-R strategy are in the early stages of development through initiatives including ISLA & FIP
Spatial plan	Regional Spatial Planning Scheme (SRADT) under development, coordinated by IDI
Performance targets	Signatory to international agreements to reduce emissions & deforestation Social & economic performance targets being defined in SRADT
Monitoring, reporting & verification (MRV)	National MRV system in place - National FREL is established & jurisdictional FREL will be developed in alignment
Policies & incentives	 Regional level policies generally insufficient for advancing jurisdictional LED-R National policies lack alignment & coordination across sectors General lack of relevant policies, due in part to recent formation of the regional level of government
Multi-stakeholder governance	• ISLA, FIP, Cocoa & Forests initiatives all designed through participatory processes
Sustainable agriculture	 Pilot region for the Cocoa & Forests Initiative for 100% traceability of cocoa & elimination of illegal cocoa production by 2020 Pilot region for GIZ Adaptation to Climate Change Project (ACCP), which focuses on sustainable agricultural productivity & intensification
Indigenous peoples & local communities	 National Benefit Sharing System under development National Rural Land Tenure Security Program delimits villages in the departments of Blolequin & Guiglo (Cavally), financed by the EU, with the goal of providing better ownership & access rights to LC
LED-R finance	Lack of financial support for LED-R, particularly at sub-national levels

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TECHNICAL TEAM











CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

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- Availability of potentially productive land → uncontrolled immigration into the region
- Many immigrants have limited awareness of the importance of forest conservation, hampering public support for advancement of jurisdictional LED-R
- Insufficient political will to curb major issues such as immigration & its environmental & economic consequences
- Lack of financial & technical capacity at regional level
- Administrative structure of Côte d'Ivoire & national approach to REDD+ activity implementation → lack of sub-national autonomy
- Lack of resources for national government to finance CRC, leaving CRC to seek external support

OPPORTUNITIES

- High competency & will of CRC to continue efforts to advance LED-R
- Youth & women are increasingly engaging in development efforts
- Active local media disseminate information & promote environmental awareness
- The private sector (cocoa producers in the region) is actively involved in initiatives to reduce deforestation & interested in increasing collaboration with public sector
- Decentralization initiatives since the end of civil conflict in 2011 → increasing support for developing sub-national capacities & authority

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