

**FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECOLOGICAL DIVERSITY
FOR
AGRICULTURAL REVAMPMENT AND HUMAN RIGHTS**



(FEEDAR & HR)



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In Meme River Forests Reserve and Meme River Community Forests



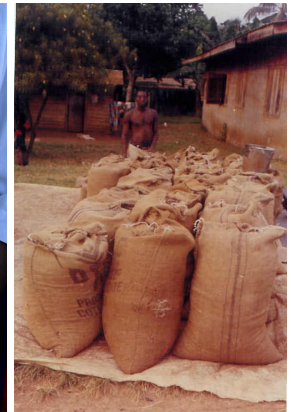
Broken foot bridge



Logging



Fresh Cocoa Pod and seeds



Cocoa in Jute Bags

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1. Mission and program of work 2010/2012

FEEDAR & HR is a Non Profit Organization with headquarters based in Kumba, Cameroon. Since 2000 has been working towards promoting the United Nations Agenda and its Conventions including the Millennium Development Goals, the Multilateral Environmental Agreements, the agenda of the European Commission to Africa and developing countries and that of other International Organizations, Foundations and Government Ministries.

FEEDAR & HR has accreditation to several UN agencies and will continue to promote its objectives by contributing;

To conserve Biodiversity, reduce deforestation, illegal logging and increase the surface area of carbon absorption in the atmosphere and fighting Climate Change.

Promote research and education in all its forms

Increase the capacities of peasant farmers to alternative income generating activities.
Increase agricultural production, research and trade as a means to alleviate rural poverty and hunger.

To contribute to prevent diseases like HIV/AIDS, Malaria and TB which continues to threaten lives of people in rural communities.

To fight corruption, promote democracy, the rule of law and enforce human rights Practices and Immigration Laws.

2. Activities

- i) Continue to work with peasant communities in increasing their capacity on forests, biodiversity conservation, hunger and poverty alleviation.
- ii) Participate in International call for proposals, tenders, grants and funding in order to support and implement its projects.
- iii) Involved in advocacy campaigns, participate in meetings, conference and in celebrating national and international days, weeks and years so long as they serve humanity in one way or the other. Visit these sites bellow for info
http://www.kc3a.com/uno/index_en.php

<http://www.altiusdirectory.com/Society/world-days-list.php>

http://www.unep.org/ecalendar/inner_annual.asp

3. Achievements for 2008/ 2009

A. CAPACITY BUILDING:

FEEDAR & HR has contributed in increasing the capacities of over 300 thousand persons in over 100 villages within 5 principal reserved forest communities in the South West Region of Cameroon, mainly;

- i) Southern Bakundu Reserved Forests,
- ii) Meme River Reserved Forest,
- iii) Meme River Community Forest
- iv) Rumpi Hills and the
- v) Korup National Park.

This is on Biodiversity and Wildlife Conservation, Climate Change Effects, Food Security, Sustainable Development, HIV/AIDS, Diseases prevention and Human Rights.

B. CLIMATE CHANGE:

i) TREE NURSERY:

We have planted over 700,000 trees in over 150 Cocoa Plantations, planting new trees and replacing dead trees or old breeds, contributing to the total trees planted annually in the world as a means of cutting carbon emissions, creating carbon sinks and increasing biodiversity.

ii) COCOA OVENS:

Encouraged use and construction of over 100 new Ovens used for the drying of Cocoa beans. These Ovens have very high heat efficiency and storage, uses less wood and produces less smoke. This contributes to the overall fight to combat Climate change.

iii) BUSH FIRES:

Bush fires within these communities have greatly reduced as local laws have been passed among village communities and traditional councils

C. Multilateral, Bilateral and Unilateral Expansion and Co-operation.

FEEDAR & HR has continuously maintained a strong push represented in almost five continents, Africa, Asia, Europe, Central and South and North America. We look forward to strengthening and spreading our tentacles further. It became part of the following institutions;

A) ECOSOC member

Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations

<http://www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

FEEDAR & HR is a member to ECOSOC under Special Consultative Status.

B) UNODC member

United Nations Office on Drug Control (UNODC)

<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/index.html>

C) WIPO Member

World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

http://www.wipo.int/about-wipo/en/what_is_wipo.html

Protecting the artistic works and the indigenous people's rights was one of the objectives of creating this Organization.

Becoming a member will go a long way to promote the objectives of the Convention and foster development among indigenous communities especially those within forest communities of Cameroon and other countries.

D) COFTA Member



Co-operation for Fair-trade in Africa (COFTA) is a member to the World Fair Trade Organization
<http://www.cofta.org/en/en/index.asp> <http://www.wfto.com/>

FEEDAR & HR is a COFTA member Organization. FEEDAR & HR is an Organization traditionally made up of peasant farmers in Cameroon, Nigeria, Ghana growers of Cocoa and Coffee, Palm, Rubber, Banana, Plantains and Cassava.

Members are equally involved in other non-timber forest products like bush nuts, fruits and vegetables.

Becoming a fair-trade member Organization will help promote accepted International Labour principles and practices among communities in Cameroon and other developing countries.

It will also give options and opportunities on trade and market possibilities, thereby helping to alleviate poverty and suffering among peasant communities, especially as peasant will benefit from fair-trade premiums.

Sustainable development will be attained, as trade will flourish to promote growth and development among communities.

E) FEEDAR & HR Co-operative and Micro-credit Unit Formation.

FEEDAR & HR Co-operative and Micro-Credit Unit was formed as an Independent unit of the organization to channel micro credits and loans, and promote small businesses and trade among poor rural communities of Cameroon and other developing countries. Poor rural communities go not access to loans and credits from banks and larger institutions. This has led to increased suffering and poverty among peasant leading to other dangers among people and environment.

4. CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS ORGANIZED

1. FEEDAR & HR General Assembly, Kwakwa, Kumba, Cameroon.

FEEDAR & HR holds 4 meetings annually on the successes and way forward of implementation of its objectives. During these meetings budgets and work programs are drafted and strategies proposed. Capacities of communities and community-based organizations are improved especially on poverty alleviation, micro trade, food security,

2. Rabobank, Kumba, Cameroon

Microfinance on behalf of the Rabobank Foundation.

3. Verde Ventures, Yaounde Cameroon; Hotel Muemi Palace, Yaounde, April 22nd 2009

4. Co-operation for Fair-trade Africa (COFTA), Kumba, Cameroon.

Prior to becoming COFTA member a formal application was submitted to World Fair trade Organization where as the principle apply, an existing COFTA member was sent to FEEDAR & HR head office where an exclusive meeting was held on the possible membership Co-operation.



Centre Yellow shirt COFTA member and FEEDAR & HR Board members

5. FEEDAR & HR Board meeting, Kumba Cameroon.

5. CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS ATTENDED

1. World Cocoa Foundation, Hamburg, Germany 8-9 October 2008.

<http://www.worldcocoafoundation.org/who-we-are/partnership-meetings/Oct2008PartnershipMeeting.asp>

2. The first World Summit of Regions on climate change, Saint Malo, France, 29-30 Oct. 2008. <http://www.worldsummitofregions.org/en/index.php?act=2,2>

3. Capacity Building Workshop for Central Africa on NBSAPs, 22-25 Sept. 08, Limbe Cameroon. <http://www.cbd.int/nbsap/workshops/central-africa.shtml>

4. Organic Cocoa, event, Douala, Cameroon

5. World Lands Day 2009, Bonn Germany. www.unccd.int

6. Sub-Regional Workshop for GEF Focal Points in West and Central Africa Accra, Ghana, 9-11 July 2009 Full Report :

http://www.gefcountrysupport.org/report_detail.cfm?projectId=227

7. 1st Scientific Conference on Desertification, Buenos Aries, Argentina.

Read full report at the www.unccd.int



FEEDAR & HR Director in Plenary.



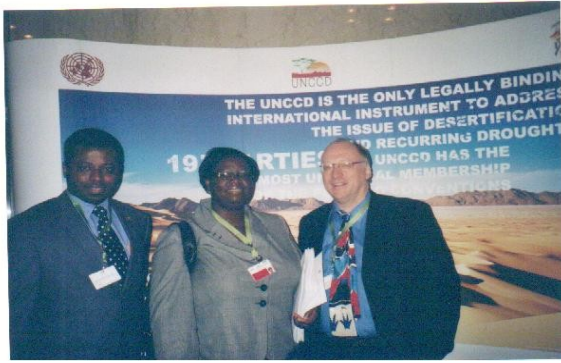
Main Speakers and Penalists



UN staffs at the Lobby after a long working day



Posters



Mr Dodd from Stakeholders Forum and FEEDAR & HR

8. International Civil Society Workshop on Environmental Norms and Military Activities Okinawa, Japan 27 and 28 November 2009.

http://www.unep.org/law/About_prog/introduction.asp

The conference which took place on the 27 and 28 of November 2009 brought together people from almost every continent, Australia, US, Hawaii, Puerto Rico (Vieques), Iraq (Skype), Philippines, Japan, Korea, Cameroon, Kenya, South Africa.

Military Activities on the Environment is a serious threat to social and cultural wellbeing of people. The **plea** of the people of Okinawa is so serious and needs the world to further come together as one. Okinawa has over 70% of all military bases in Japan.

The Peace Monument in Okinawa is like a dream, but it is a reality when you see the millions of peoples name on the walls and the cliff where millions committed suicide. See full report of conference on http://www.unep.org/law/About_prog/introduction.asp



Okinawa peace monument.

Full report available at http://www.unep.org/law/About_prog/introduction.asp

SOME PHOTOS DURING THE CONFERENCE



Interview with Masa Nagai
Senior Legal Officer,
Division of Environmental Law and Conventions
United Nations Environment Program

Poster by Director FEEDAR & HR, Tcharbuahbokengo NFINN
Military Activities and the Bakassi Peninsular Crisis.



Poster Presentation from Puerto Rico



Poster Presentation from South Africa



Speaker from Japan



Speaker from Kenya



Support Staffs at Okinawa



NFINN and Conference Staffs at Okinawa



Animation at the opening ceremony

7. DEVELOPMENT COOPRATION

i) **Research on Agriculture and Food Security**

Research on Agriculture enhanced within communities that depend entirely on Agriculture and look unto the forests for their sustainability. That is their capacities be improved on other sources of food, food storage, pests prevention, improved yields, breed, soil quality and adaptation to climate change.

ii) **Support for Social Services**

Many communities lack basic social facilities like pipe borne water, electricity, schools, farm to farm roads, farm to market roads and health services. FEEDAR & HR has identified possibilities of meeting the needs of these communities subject to availability of support for services and financial resources.

Examples are the **Kwakwa pipe borne water project** which planning and feasibility has been completed awaiting possible assistance from potential donors and funders.

Another example is the supply of school needs like benches, writing materials, Uniforms and school needs to pupils who cannot afford either because their parents are very poor or they have been orphaned from HIV/AIDS, Diseases or War.

iii) **River Basins and Wetlands Management**

FEEDAR & HR has witnessed a live disappearance of a wetland, the famous Lamba of Kwakwa. We continue to participate and provide relevant information and knowledge on watershed management within the Meme River, Ndian River and River Bille and various lakes like Lake Barombi Kotto, Lake Disoni and others.

The coastal and coastal part of Cameroon especially the Bakassi Peninsular is of great interest to our Organization, especially in restoring coastal forests and mangrove zones, Pollution control from Dumping and Oil spill from Drilling companies.

iv) **Tourism**

Tourism is a strong potential for co-operation and development with abundant un-exploited opportunities.

v) **Education**

Education, Research and Technology remains a crucial issue in all works of life and we intend to double efforts towards this initiative especially in providing opportunities and choices where ever possible.

vi) **Disasters**

FEEDAR & HR intend to mobilise efforts to respond to disasters in all its forms like bush fires flood and volcanoes.

vii) **Micro Financing**

The FEEDAR & HR Micro Credit and Co-operative Unit shall subsidies farmers and small businesses unable to access Loans and Credits in Banks. This will work much than ever in overcoming poverty and hunger and reduce unemployment among youth and rural communities.

viii) **Trade on Commodities**

FEEDAR & HR remains a supplier of dried Cocoa and Coffee beans, Palm oil, Banana, Fruits and other agricultural products. We look forward to potential markets across continents meeting international standards and requirements.

ix) **Human Rights and Democracy**

Human Rights and Democracy is subject to discussion and increased attention

x) **Immigration**

We look forth working with International Organization and Regions in implementing accepted norms of migration while preventing forced or illegal Migration including Trafficking and disappearances.

xi) **Health**

Health, Hiv/aids and Malaria is as crucial as providing a balanced diet to a family. We look forth advancing knowledge and participation in development action.

xii) **Partnership.**

We look forth becoming partners and members of many more institutions.

8. SUPPORT RECEIVED IN ATTENDING CONFERENCES

FEEDAR & HR receive its funding from donations and the sales of agricultural crops including non-timber forest products from its members.

We want to thank the institutions, which made it possible for our organization to participate in the following conferences by providing support to at least one member.

Attending these conferences has helped our organization in many ways especially in strengthening its capacity and making it possible for best practices, lessons learnt and shared to be replicated in many works of life and within communities in Cameroon and other countries.

We look forward to a continuous co-operation and support from interested individuals, institutions and governments.

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Secretariat of Biological Diversity.

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