

PURPOSE

- Improve living conditions of the population - financially and socially - and fight environmental degradation, by improving coffee production.

- Work towards a stable and more peaceful DR Congo.

TARGET GROUP

Cooperative Soprocopiv

1,200 coffee suppliers

Cooperative Coepra

540 members (15 women)

UTZ CERTIFICATION PROGRAM AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

DR CONGO - approved by the Eficó Fund on 05/10/2007

Location

Butembo and Lubero

Description

Two coffee producer organizations (Soprocopiv and Coepra) will assist in the implementation of Quality Improvement Program and in the Utz Certified Code of Conduct.

Project Budget

Total Budget: € 180 000

Each partner will support 1/3 of total budget; Solidaridad, Schluter SA and EFICO Foundation through the EFICO Fund: € 60 000 each

Project Duration

November 1, 2007 to November 1, 2010

Project was legally authorized (by the jury) to last an additional year due to national difficulties.

PARTNERS

Solidaridad

www.solidaridad.nl

- Project applicant
- Dutch NGO
- Combats structural poverty and promotes peace and justice

Schluter SA

www.schluter.ch

- Supplier of quality African coffees to the world market.

Former CSN, now part of Solidaridad

Certification Support Network

- Joint Dutch initiative funded by Doen, Hivos, Oxfam Novib and Solidaridad
- Supports small-scale coffee grower groups undergo process to become certified.

Utz Certified

www.utzcertified.org

Soprocopiv and Coepra

- 2 producer organizations
- Based in Butembo City



EXPECTED RESULTS

- 1) Apply social, environmental and economic criteria while implementing the Utz Certified Code of Conduct.
- 2) All Soprocopiv and Coepra members are Utz Certified.
- 3) 20% increase in coffee prices when compared to average local prices paid.
- 4) 20% coffee production increase, compared to average harvests in 2004-2007.
- 5) Creation of a reforestation work program.

IMPROVING SUSTAINABLE COFFEE PRODUCTION IN DR CONGO



Solidaridad

SCHLUTER
the joy of african coffee

UTZ
CERTIFIED
Goods inside