



PROJECT TITLE
German-Moroccan Dialogue on Agriculture and
Forestry (DIAF) –
Inter-Farm Cooperation in the Agriculture and Forestry Sectors (ÜZAF)

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Inter-Farm Cooperation and Cooperative Sector Development

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The approach of the bilateral cooperation project is in line with the new national development strategy for the decade 2020 - 2030, referred to as "Génération Green" in the agricultural sector and "Forêts du Maroc" in the forestry sector. The focus is on the participation of broad sections of the population, the intensification of education and training, and the development of existing and the establishment of new inter-company cooperation in agriculture and forestry.

The Project

In the agricultural sector, the strategic focus lies on further developing inter-company cooperations with the aim of improving the self-organisation and economic prospects of the associations. Of particular importance is the marketing of products and the integration of the associations into value chains.

In the forestry sector, the activities are aimed in particular at improving the organisation and internal communication as well as the economic efficiency of the activities of the mergers and the cooperatives cooperating with them.

Project Goals

- Development of instruments to promote inter-company mergers in the agricultural and forestry sector (ÜZAF)
- Adaptation of the legal framework
- Accompaniment of advisory model examples of selected ÜZAF in six different sub-sectors in agriculture and forestry in different regions
- Development of an advisory service for ÜZAF
- Further training of 20 ÜZAF managers



The establishment of an advisory service – specifically for ÜZAF – has been a great success. MAPMDREF has initiated a certification process for this approach to ensure sustainability.



PORTRAIT MOROCCO
Morocco is stably governed
by an islamically legitimised
constitutional monarchy
and has a population of
about 37 million. The
agricultural sector consists
largely of subsistence farms
and employs about 40 per
cent of the total population
- around three quarters of
the rural population.

Results and Successes

- Examination of mergers in terms of their performance and weaknesses
- Analysis of the legal basis and proposals for adaptation
- Establishment of an advisory service, especially for the professionalisation of ÜZAF
- Training of 20 ÜZAF managers to promote further development of their associations
- Elaboration of a training kit for advisors of ÜZAFs

Project Partners and Cooperations

- Regional offices of the Ministry of Agriculture (MAPMDREF)
- National Office for Agricultural Extension (ONCA)
- Confederation of inter-branch organisations (COMADER)
- Federation of Private Agricultural Extensionists (FICAP)
- National Federation of Bee-keepers (FIMAP)
- Directorate of Agricultural Irrigation (DIEA)

Project Partner on Operational Level

• Directorate of Strategy and Statistics (DSS)

Implementing Organisation

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