

ACTION RESEARCH PROJECT VOCAL

VOluntary CArbon Land Certification

Forestry partners (FEDER):



Agricultural partners:

The VOCAL project aims at implementing a national methodological framework for carbon certification well-suited to the agricultural and forestry sectors, in order to reduce greenhouse gases emissions (GHG) and to enhance carbon sequestration.

AN AMBITIOUS CERTIFICATION FRAMEWORK SUPPORTED BY THE FRENCH MINISTRY FOR ECOLOGY

The VOCAL project contributes to the achievement of the national and European goals in terms of GHG emissions reductions.

DEVELOP A NATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR VOLUNTARY CARBON CERTIFICATION

- Undertake a study of demand for national carbon credits ;
- Carry out a study on the expectations and special needs of forestry project leaders;
- Elaborate a national standard validating carbon units from agricultural and forestry projects;
- Develop methodologies for now about afforestation and improved forest management practices; and GHG emissions reductions in cattle breeding and field crops;
- Test methodologies within a network of pilot projects

PROMOTE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MITIGATION AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY PROJECTS

The certification project VOCAL stems from the work of the Carbon Forest and Wood Club and the Climate and Agriculture Club managed by I4CE and its partners.

The obstacles and difficulties to carry out projects that reduce GHG emissions in the agricultural and forestry sectors, led a dozen private and public organizations members of the Clubs to consider a national certification framework.

The carbon certification frame will be approved by the Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy (MEEM in French), a priori in 2017.

The methodologies will also be validated by the MEEM.

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