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Canada's Global Forest Leadership Program

Background

- In Budget 2023, the Government of Canada announced funding over three years, starting in 2023-24, to support a resilient, innovative and environmentally-sustainable Canadian forest sector by catalyzing innovation from seed to market, providing continued support for Indigenous projects, improving climate-related knowledge around forests, enhancing international engagement, and expanding innovative use of wood in construction as a low-carbon-building material.
- As part of this funding, Canada's Global Forest Leadership Program will focus on supporting activities related to expanding Canada's international engagement, collaborations and partnerships, and sharing Canadian expertise abroad. This includes support for initiatives that contribute to:
 - advancing the international forest policy agenda, including on climate, biodiversity, sustainable forest management, the bioeconomy, and wildland fire management;
 - strengthening partnerships with like-minded organizations and countries through sharing expertise and forest stewardship assistance; and
 - decreasing market barriers for sustainable forest products.

Overview

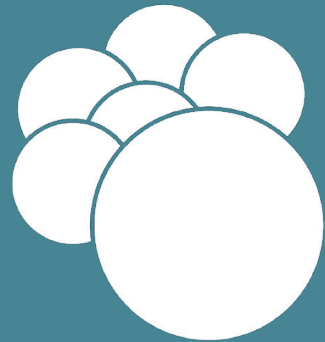
- As a transfer payment program, Canada's Global Forest Leadership Program disburses both Contributions and Grants funding.
- Invitation letters will indicate which funding is available to be applied for at the time of application – an invitation to apply for grant funding or an invitation to apply for contribution funding.
- The Program and its authorities will be available until March 31, 2026. However, all available funding may be disbursed prior to program expiration on March 31, 2026.
- The submission of multi-year proposals is encouraged if applicants anticipate that their activities will span multiple years.





International
Model Forest
Network

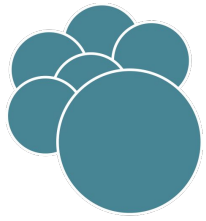
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Mediterranean

Model Forest Network

*Canada's Global Forest Leadership Program
Contribution Funding*



Analysis tool and Validation

2024 / 2025 / 2026



Technical support and coordination for landscape restoration activities in ODA (Official Development Assistance) countries.

Development of a web-based tool for identifying potential areas suitable for forest restoration projects, promotion, and monitoring of land-use changes (Agadir commitment 2017).

Field validation and prioritization of identified areas (on the web platform) for landscape restoration activities in in the Model Forests and Model Forest Initiative of **Ifrane** (Morocco), **Arebica** (Morocco), **Tlemcen** (Algeria), **Shouf** (Lebanon), and at least **two Model Forests in the northern Mediterranean basin**.

Monitoring and updating to contribute data for the Agadir commitment.

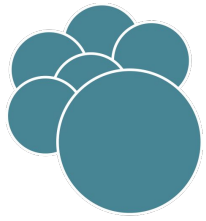
Budget:

320'000\$ / 220'000€ in 3 years

100'000€ - Cese for

45'000€ - Hiring

5'700€ - for each MF in the MMFN



Video Guidelines for Landscape Restoration

2025 / 2026



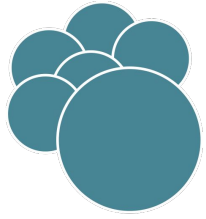
- **Design** of the narrative structure of the videos, identification of the good practices to be told and the subjects to be interviewed in the various model forests involved.
- A **set of 6 videos** of 10-12 minutes each
- **Missions of 3-5 days each for filming** with 2 people CdF in 5 areas (Italy, Croatia, France, Morocco, Turkey)
- **Translation** of content into 4 languages (English, French, Spanish + Italian for interviews)
- **Speaker involvement** for voice-over (4 voices for 4 languages - Italian, English, French,

Spanish)

Budget:

116'875\$ / 80'000€ in 1 year

80'000 – Compagnia delle Foreste



Pilot sites

2026



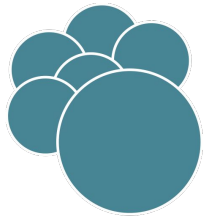
Providing **technical support and coordination**, also through **hiring** of a arabic and/or french speaking consultant for restoration activities in Morocco (Ifrane MF and Arebica initiative MF), Algeria (Tlemcen MF) and Lebanon (Shouf MFs Initiative) through different actions including **planting trees, assessment of the current conditions of the forest, implementation of fire management practices** with the aim of accelerating the recovery of an ecosystem from a degraded condition, by the **involvement of local communities**. Reforestation and landscape restoration interventions converge on the goal of achieving a forested area capable of sustaining the **socioeconomic life** of the area.

In the 2026, in order to have a first application of the work done and the prioritization, pilot sites will be established in each MFs of ODA Countries in areas of at least 5000 sq.m

Budget:

56'875\$ / 40'000€ in 1 year

9'600€ - for each MF involved into the Task



Scholarship

2025 / 2026



This call aims to select highly qualified candidates to participate in a one-year **doctoral program** (to be repeated in 2025) focused on Landscape and Forest Restoration within the ODA countries of the Mediterranean. The program is designed to address **environmental challenges and promote sustainable development** through advanced research and practical application.

Budget:

63'875\$ / 43'500€ in 2 years

TIME LINE

