

## Rick ff n R ut a in 2/11-1/12/2022 **AGROFORESTERY: CREATE INCLUSIVE** TRAINING PATHS

## 1st WORKSHOP (28/11/2023)

- •What is Agroforestery?
- •Why Agroforestery?
- How Agroforestery?
- The example of Agroforestery in Mayotte Island

## What is Agroforestery?

"Agroforestry is the development of the soil with a combination (simultaneous or sequential) of woody trees and crops or animals in order to obtain products or services useful to humans" (Torquebiau, 2007)

## What is Agroforestery?

- 5 types of Agroforestry
- Crops under tree cover: market gardening, berries
- Agroforest: forest plantations (shade plants like coffee, cocoa, vanilla, etc.). °
- Agroforestry in line availability
- Animal agroforestry
- Sequential agroforestry







### Structuration de l'espace agroforestier en ilots





### Typologie d'ilots forestiers





Agroforestry island in low Density and Tree cover



Agroforestry island with high Tree density Fruit Trees & Cover Variable Tree



Agroforestry island in Forest atmosphere Agroforestry island in low Density and Tree cover:

- < 200 Trees/ha // Weak blanket Tree // Little Valuation of trees
- Low value-added sales Market gardening Pineapple
- Self-consumption Food crops Food Supply

Agroforestry island with high Tree density Fruit Trees & Cover Variable Tree

- >= 200 Trees/ha // Blanket Tree variable // Presence of the tree Important, managed by Strategy of replacement
- High value-added sales (Aromatic, perfume and medicinal plants) Market gardening Orchards fruit trees
- Self-consumption Food crops Food Supply Feeding Animal•

Agroforestry island in Forest atmosphere

- >= 200 trees/ha // 

   At least 50% Species Classified Forestry (OFDM)
   Strong coverage // Agroforests with less anthropogenic action
- High value-added sales (Aromatic, perfume and medicinal plants UNDER Forest)
- Self-consumption Feeding Animal •

## Which crop, which tree??

Tree Woody; H >= 7m at maturity

• Foresters (e.g. Acacia mengium)

- Fruit trees (e.g. mango tree)
- Food (breadfruit)
- PAPAM (e.g. Ylang)

Shrubby Woody; H <= 7m at maturity

- Fruit trees (e.g. guava tree)
- PAPAM (e.g. coffee)
- Fodder (e.g. brown avocado)

Herbaceous Non-woody plants

- Fruit tree (e.g. passion fruit)
- Market gardening (e.g. chilli)
- Food crops (e.g. bananas)
- Fodder (e.g. cane fodder)
- PAPAM (e.g. turmeric)

## For what??

### For the farmers

- Improved production
- Modification of the microclimate favorable
- Better pathogen control Pests
- Improved fertility
- Sociological amenities (landscape, comfort to work...

### For the society

- Better management of natural hazards and against erosion
- Climate Change Mitigation
- Protection of aquifers
- Protection of biodiversity

# Variable performance of agroforestry systems

Low-input systems with tree management that relies primarily on replacement of non-productive species by fruit species + tree size.

• Agronomic: high species richness - on average 11 different species exploited (+/-8).

• Environmental: A potential biodiversity that is a priori homogeneous between the different SAFs.

#### •Economic:

- A substantial family workforce: 1.45 FTE/UAA operated, of which about 25% are family workers
- Value added between €3,000 and €8,000/year depending on production allocation strategies and superficy.

### Biodiversity service and regulation of pests

Effect of tree diversity:

- Variability in susceptibility of crop plants
- Variation in plot or leaf/soil microclimate
- Barrier effect on the diseases
- Diversity of ecological niches

### Factors and requirements

Climate Change Mitigation >> Conversion of an agricultural plot into a system agroforestry.

Increase in production >> Balance to be found with shading and quality of yield.

Contribution to the creation of suitable habitat for biodiversity  $\succ$  Involves having uncultivated areas under the sufficiently wide and grassy trees, trees developed and integrated management in a framework Green.

Supporting Pollinator Populations >> Implies that there is significant biodiversity.

Soil protection ➤ Involves having enough trees well positioned in relation to the Flows

## Beware of antagonisms!

o Production (yield) vs Microclimatic

o Parcel water balance / support for low water levels watercourse

o Nitrate control / carbon sequestration

### Not so easy...

- Absence of mechanization and arduousness of the work
- Complex planning and difficulty in integrating a supply chain stable marketing
- Complexe Mastery of the Diversity of species
- Competition (space, light, mineral, water, etc.)

## Agreological practices



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### Couverture du sol





### Amélioration de la productivité





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### Exemples d'auxiliaires



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