From 2019 to 2020, ELTI and IUCN implemented an innovative series of courses to train leaders in Togo, Madagascar and Ethiopia to scale up and track Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) in support of AFR100 and the Bonn Challenge.

**Blended training to equip leaders in Africa with knowledge and tools for forest landscape restoration**

**BLENDED MODEL**

Build in-country network of FLR practitioners

Understand and apply key fundamentals of designing, implementing and tracking FLR

Develop a theory of change for degraded landscapes

**IN-COUNTRY WORKSHOP**
- Interactive classroom-based training
- Peer-to-peer learning and team-building
- Process-building and iterative thinking

**FIELD VISIT**
- Site visits to visualize FLR opportunities and see projects in action
- First-hand look at local context
- Interaction with local stakeholders

**ONLINE COURSE**
- In-depth exploration of themes, case studies and interdisciplinary perspectives
- Expert support, long-term networking and collaboration
- Development of FLR implementation plan

“The model is very unique. The workshop allows for direct discussions, while the online training enhances our understanding with detailed videos and project work, which push for deeper analysis.”

Course participant

**Training Concepts**
- Fundamental ecological concepts
- Degradation and opportunities for FLR
- Stakeholder participation in FLR
- Effective FLR strategies and interventions
- Monitoring and tracking FLR

**Training Tools**
- Restoration Opportunities Assessment Methodology (ROAM)
- Application of the Bonn Challenge Barometer
- Theory of change for planning and implementing effective FLR
Our participation in this course has a real impact on our role in the ROAM process especially in terms of planning, programming and the choice of restoration actions to be carried out in target areas.

Course participant

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114 LEADERS TRAINED
60+ ORGANIZATIONS
34 MANAGEMENT PLANS

LAKE CHAMO BASIN, SOUTHERN NATIONS, NATIONALITIES AND PEOPLES’ REGION, ETHIOPIA
- Important catchment for water supply
- FLR opportunities: enrichment planting, agroforestry, soil and water conservation

BINAH PREFECTURE, KARA REGION, TOGO
- Savannah and gallery forest ecosystems with agricultural practices
- FLR opportunities: natural regeneration, assisted natural regeneration, enrichment planting, improved production and livelihoods, education

BETSIBOKA WATERSHED, BOENY AND MAHAVAVY WATERSHED, DIANA REGION, MADAGASCAR
- Dry forest ecosystem with mangrove forests
- FLR opportunities: protection of natural forests, riverbank forest plantation, assisted natural regeneration, silviculture, mangrove restoration, agroforestry

Important catchment for water supply
FLR opportunities: enrichment planting, agroforestry, soil and water conservation

5 FLR plans developed
17 FLR plans developed
12 FLR plans developed

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