

Virtual Exchange – From COP17 to COP18 and Beyond: Finding Common Ground on Drought

THEME:

From Degraded Lands to Resilient Communities: Local Solutions of Youth in Action for Sustainable Development (YASD) for Drought Resilience in Northern Cameroon

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

I. YOUTH IN ACTION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (YASD) / JEUNES EN ACTION POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT DURABLE (JADD) – AT A GLANCE

II. CONCRETE ACTIONS OF YASD/JADD

III. OUR MESSAGE FROM COP17 → COP18



JEUNES EN ACTION POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT DURABLE

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 **JADD**
JEUNES EN ACTION POUR
LE DEVELOPPEMENT DURABLE

I. YASD/JADD – WHO ARE WE?

Established

31 August 2013

Officialized

11 September 2015

Current Status

NGO accredited since 11 August 2026

Key Areas of Intervention

 Land restoration

 Resilient agriculture

 Ecosystem protection

 Environmental education
 Resource valorization

 Women & Youth



International Status

UNCCD Accredited in 2021

ECOSOC Special

UNEP / UNEA Consultative Status
Observer since 2023
2022



Our conviction: drought resilience is built first at the local level.

II. CONCRETE ACTIONS OF YASD/JADD

A. LAND RESTORATION TO STRENGTHEN RESILIENCE

YASD/JADD supports rural communities in the North and Far North of Cameroon in restoring degraded lands.

+177 Forest tree seedlings planted (Balanites, Baobab, Calcedrat and fruit trees)

00 Reforestation and targeted restoration of degraded lands in Northern Cameroon

Community nurseries

Established and directly monitored in the field.

Tailored training

Sustainable farming practices for producers.

Agroecology & Soil fertility

Organic restoration of soils threatened by desertification.

KEY AREAS OF INTERVENTION

Madaka · Mororo · Ouro-Messere · Lam – Figuil, Guider, Yaoua · Mokolo



B. PROMOTING MORE RESILIENT AGRICULTURE

JADD supports producers and communities in adopting practices that preserve soil moisture, improve soil fertility, and reduce dependence on chemical inputs.



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Biocomposting and targeted reduction of chemical inputs.

 **32 educational school gardens**

2,346 farmers trained and supported in sustainable agricultural practices

 **Adaptation to climate variability**

Training communities on changing rainfall patterns and water conservation techniques.



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C. EMPOWERING WOMEN, YOUTH AND SCHOOLCHILDREN

Resilience is also a matter of education and empowerment. JADD places women, youth and children/schoolchildren at the heart of local solutions.



5,467 Women

Sustainable agriculture:
Empowerment training.

Valorization: Sustainable use of
NTFPs.

Value chains: Profitable value
chains.



8790 Jeunes

- Training in green jobs;
- Sustainable agriculture and green entrepreneurship;
- Participation in land restoration activities.



156000 Écoliers

SDG/Environmental Education: Awareness-raising on climate change and natural resource protection.

Green clubs: Environmental activities.

Gardens: School tree-planting activities.



D. REDUCING PRESSURE ON FORESTS: ECONOMIC ALTERNATIVES

Protecting forests is not enough: alternatives must also be created. JADD supports women and youth in the sustainable valorization of Non-Timber Forest Products (NTFPs) through a dedicated cooperative called the Cooperative Society for the Valorization of Non-Timber Forest Products.

1. Sustainable harvesting



2. Processing



3. Value addition



4. Packaging



5. Marketing



JADD Support

Training, packaging, access to national & regional markets, and regeneration of forest species through community nurseries and reforestation.

Creating sustainable incomes

Creating independent income opportunities directly reduces pressure on forests and woody resources.



E. JADD À LA COP16 : PORTER LES VOIX DU TERRAIN À L'INTERNATIONAL

Participation à la COP16 CNULCD • Riyad 2024 du 2-13 Décembre 2024 Riyad, Arabie Saoudite meublée par:

Side Event PFNL: Organisation d'un atelier sur les Produits Forestiers Non-Ligneux et la résilience face à la sécheresse.

Déclaration Genre: Plaidoyer porté en salle plénière au nom de la société civile pour l'égalité des sexes et la restauration des terres.

Open Dialogue: Présentation des solutions locales JADD présélectionnées parmi les 5 meilleures innovations OSC mondiales.

Strategic exchanges with UNCCD and UNEP leaders and submission of partnership project proposals.



III. OUR MESSAGE FROM COP17 → COP18

**“RESILIENCE CANNOT BE ONLY ENVIRONMENTAL.
IT MUST ALSO BE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL.”**

Local communities must be given the economic and technical means to reduce their dependence on forests.



JADD – Cameroon

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