

# CONTRIBUTE TO FORESTRY PROJECTS IN TEMPERATE ZONES

(FRANCE & EUROPE)

## WHY TAKE ACTION FOR THE FOREST IN FRANCE AND EUROPE?

Forests cover almost 38% of European territory and play a crucial environmental, social and economic role.

### THE EUROPEAN FOREST RENDERS INVALUABLE SERVICES

- CO<sub>2</sub> absorption which, among other benefits, contributes to Europe's ambition to achieve carbon neutrality by 2050.
- Preserving the biodiversity of plant and animal life.
- Providing timber to meet the growing need for sustainable materials in the inevitable context of energy transition.

The challenge is ensuring that the European forest can continue to provide these services, which are essential to our societies.

Although there is no real deforestation in Europe, the temperate forests are degraded.

### THE EUROPEAN FOREST AFFECTED BY NATURAL DISTURBANCES AND CLIMATE CHANGE

- Storms, fires, insect attacks and diseases are all natural disturbances affecting the European forests year after year.
- Global warming amplifies forest degradation, most notably with repeated periods of drought making the forests increasingly vulnerable.

By deploying reforestation and natural regeneration projects in Europe, Reforest'Action helps to build the forests' long-term resistance, adaptability and resilience to hazards and climate change, while boosting their social, economic and environmental benefits.

## EUROPEAN FORESTS AND FOREST DEGRADATION



40%

of tree species are threatened with extinction in Europe.



20%

of forests are affected by hazards (storms, fires, insects, diseases) in France every year.



500

the number of insect pest species and fungal pathogens that affect the French forests.



50%

of French forests will be exposed to a high risk of fire by 2050.



## SELECTING PROJECTS

Reforest'Action assists forestry projects carried out on land belonging to public and private parties. We rely on a network of forestry experts, managers and technicians who guarantee, over time, the proper management, quality and supervision of projects. All the projects selected are covered by a multiyear, documented management plan that establishes the suitability and durability of the action taken to protect the forest. Projects are selected subject to a precise set of specifications and must meet the essential requirements of the Shared Multifunctional Approach developed by Reforest'Action, including:

- Diverse species adapted to the planting sites
- Creation and preservation of habitats for biodiversity (fauna and flora)
- Preservation of the CO<sub>2</sub> contained in the forest soils

## TYPES OF PROJECTS IN TEMPERATE ZONES



### FOREST RESTORATION



Restoring forests affected by hazards or dieback thanks to:

- the planting of varied species adapted to the local ecosystem.
- Farmer-Managed Natural Regeneration, which combines the trees' natural reproduction cycle with silviculture work.



### FOREST CREATION



Creating new diversified forest tracts through the afforestation of abandoned agricultural (former crop or livestock plots taken out of use) or industrial land.



### HEDGEROW CREATION



Creating wildlife corridors or hedgerows by planting trees and nectar-producing hedges with high potential for increasing biodiversity on and around farmland and pastures.

## THE REFOREST'ACTION SHARED MULTIFUNCTIONAL APPROACH

A set of principles applied when planting or naturally regenerating a forest and which aim to guarantee its capacity to render ecosystem services over the long term, and maintain its resistance, adaptability and resilience to environmental changes.

## BENEFITS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND FOR CITIZENS

Our forest projects in temperate zones bring a multitude of invaluable services for the climate, the environment and citizens.



CO<sub>2</sub> STORAGE



INCREASED BIODIVERSITY



ECONOMIC GROWTH



PERSONAL WELL-BEING



AIR POLLUTION CONTROL



WATER FILTERING

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