



Association of Women Producers and
Traders of Secondary Forest Products

Who are we?

The Association of Women Producers and Traders of Secondary Forest Products, composed by 14 women, was founded in 2008. Our objectives are to **fight poverty** among rural women and youth, **unite farmers and biomass producers** for the sustainable management of forest resources and **encourage the rehabilitation of forests in Côte d'Ivoire**.

Our mission

To become a driving force for the forests of Côte d'Ivoire

MALEBI's mission is to guide women and youth to **sustainably produce charcoal while preserving natural forests** through advocacy, capacity building in reforestation activities, and the transition towards sustainable practices. Through its activities, MALEBI contributes to the livelihoods of local communities.

Our values

- Respect for human rights
- Engagement of women
- Sustainable development
- Empowerment of local communities



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Where do we work?

We are based in Abidjan. Our activities support communities in Dimbokro.










Programs

-  **Reforestation:** supporting forest ecosystems
-  **Capacity building:** training charcoal producers
-  **Advocacy:** linking policy makers to local communities
-  **Biomass:** producing sustainable timber and non-timber biomass

Key achievements

-  **10-year partnership agreement with SODEFOR** for the management of the Ahua classified forest (signed in 2018)
-  **Rehabilitation** of 150 hectares of the Ahua classified forest (ongoing since 2008)
-  **Exploration** of 30 hectares of the Sanvan classified forest, located 21km from Dimbokro (2009-2011)
-  **Capacity building** of women from seven villages around the Ahua classified forest and in three different regions of Côte d'Ivoire on basic accounting, management, the creation of nurseries, plant maintenance and agroforestry practices (ongoing since 2012)
-  **Awareness raising activities** in the villages about the prevention of bushfires and capacity building for an innovative way of producing charcoal (ongoing since 2012)

Support the activities of rural women and the fight against deforestation

Whether it is through our reforestation, conservation, volunteering and training activities, the purchase of our charcoal, or the financial support of our projects, **we encourage you to become a driving force for the forests in Côte d'Ivoire.**

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