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About UNU-INRA

UNU-INRA is a leading voice in Africa's natural resource knowledge base. As a think tank, our thought leadership is grounded in research and evidence. We bridge the gap between science and policy and promote sustainable development through natural resource governance that is sensitive to climate change.

We harness African talent and empower African researchers, entrepreneurs and policymakers with knowledge to sustainably manage the continent's natural resources. Established in 1985 with a mandate to strengthen African national institutions' capacity to manage natural resources, UNU-INRA has become known across the region for thought leadership, pioneering research and innovative solutions in support of natural resource management policy, research infrastructure and capacity-building.

Our head office in Ghana and our network of five operating units in Senegal, Cote d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Namibia and Zambia give us a strong presence across Africa. UNU-INRA is also one of the 14 institutes of the United Nations University, a global think tank and academic arm of the UN.

Our vision

To realise the transformational potential of Africa's natural resources for an inclusive and sustainable future.

Our mission

To amplify African perspectives, promote made-in-Africa solutions and cultivate African natural resource management capacity.

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