

## Local Agricultural advisory service: Professional farmers!



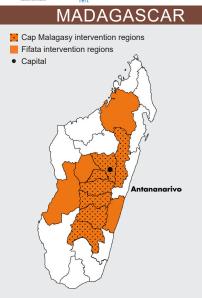
Cap Malagasy is a Malagasy association specialized in local agricultural advisory service and a member of the Fifata group. This advisory scheme was initiated in 2004 in response to the observation that agricultural practices in the Malagasy countryside could only be improved through local and long-term support by technicians trained in the advisory approach (listening posture, progressive advice, etc.).

For nearly 15 years, Fert has been supporting the development of this approach, which has allowed a gradual extension of the action in 5 regions, the institutionalization of Cap Malagasy in 2016 and a very concrete improvement of the incomes and the assumption of responsibility of the supported farmers.



Advisory service, experimentation and training

Technical-economic advice for a sustainable improvement of agricultural practices Post-harvest management (storage, marketing...) Support in the structuring of farmers (FOs, farmers unions, training leaders...)



**370** 

**5200** members

20 700 service beneficiaries

19 local agricultural advisers in

**24** rural

rural communities



Actions

An advisory scheme for the professionalization of family farms

- Cap Malagasy intervenes at the commune level where an advisor generally supports between 100 and 200 farmers depending on the needs and potential of the area.
- Through a detailed diagnosis, the advisor identifies with the farmers the challenges and implements very practical actions to meet the needs: training, demonstration plots and breeding, exchange visits to other experiences...
- This technical entry enables the advisor to gain the confidence of farmers and to progressively accompany their economic decisions: choice and diversification of production, investments, storage... Cap Malagasy has created an educational game: the «farming monopoly» which makes it possible to support economic thinking on farms.
- Cap Malagasy is gradually supporting initiatives of farmers structuring at the local level in conjunction with the regional farmers organizations that are members of Fifata.

News

Cap Malagasy: a specialized organization at the service of the Fifata group

## **ASSOCIATIVE ACTIVITIES**



In 2018, Cap Malagasy validated its 2018-2023 strategy in which it reaffirms its commitment to the Fifata group and the choice of a governance by farmers to ensure that their needs are always met.

Cap Malagasy has also chosen to extend its action to other regions at the request of Fifata members, regional farmers organizations, to enable them to strengthen local services to their members. Cap Malagasy is strengthening its commitment to the implementation of the Fifata group's federating projects (Protana for the development of advisory services around the capital, training of young people via the Formaprod project, etc.).



245000€

Average annual budget (including Fert support)

200
demonstration polts and farms per year

trainings and

visits per year

exchange



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