

TOMAK — FARMING FOR PROSPERITY (TIMOR-LESTE)
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Organisation Profile/Areas of relevant expertise/Link to website (Maximum 150 words)

Since 2003, AMBERO has supported national and international development agencies in the design, preparation, implementation, and monitoring of small and large projects that improve living conditions worldwide. Thanks to our dynamic team, integrated in interdisciplinary global networks, we are able to quickly initiate tailor-made projects together with internationally recognized experts and established partners. Our ability to combine technical and regional expertise makes us a reliable partner for national authorities and multilateral donors. More than 80 successful projects in 27 countries on five continents confirm this. www.ambero.eu

Areas of Expertise:

- **Good Governance and Civil Society:** decentralization, institutional support, promotion of civil society, systemic organizational development
- **Climate, Environment and Biodiversity:** conservation of (agro)-biodiversity, management of protected areas and watersheds, promotion of sustainable value chains, climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction, environmental finance
- **Regional and Economic Development:** regional management, efficient design of municipal services, cluster and network building, promotion of the green economy

Brief summary of relevant experience (Maximum 500 words)

Through several implemented projects, AMBERO gathered profound regional experience and built up a valuable interdisciplinary network in Timor-Leste. Furthermore, AMBERO acquired and applied professional technical expertise all over the world in the relevant fields in the context of TOMAK.

Since 2012, AMBERO is carrying out the project *Sustainable use of Agro-Biodiversity in Timor-Leste* on behalf of the German organization for international cooperation GIZ (2012-16, 1.5m €). AMBERO is responsible for:

- Mainstreaming of (agro)biodiversity in national policies
- Inventory of local traditional knowledge and practices as well as use of indigenous species

- Training courses, public awareness campaigns
- In-situ and ex-situ (gene banks) conservation and propagation of indigenous crop species
- Promotion and training on sustainable farming techniques
- Value chain development and market access

Another project in Timor-Leste, conducted by AMBERO, is called *Advisory and Training for the Maritime Related Industries of Timor-Leste* (GIZ, 2014-16, 1.2m €). The objective is to contribute to the strengthening of institutional, legal and personal capacities of maritime management and of vocational training institutions. AMBERO is also contributing to the promotion of female employment by specifically addressing young women.

The third and last GIZ project implemented by AMBERO in Timor-Leste with the title *Peace Development, Youth Promotion and Fight against Corruption* (2014-16, 715.000 €) is providing a National Training Program for the Timorese state and non-state youth workers, as well as training and coaching in the field of youth promotion. This will lead to strengthening acknowledgement, a sense of belonging as well as protection and perspectives of social and economic inclusion for young people.

Besides those regional commitments, AMBERO is engaged in different projects worldwide related to the support of more sustainable agricultural practices, establishment of value chains as well as the improvement of livelihoods.

With our partners, AMBERO is implementing in Ethiopia the projects *Sustainable Land Management* (KfW, Phase I 2011-14, 1.3m €; Phase II 2014-16, 1.1m €) and *Livelihoods, Agriculture and National Development* (CIDA/KfW, 2013-16, 1.4m €). The objective is to increase the growth in agricultural productivity for women and men smallholder farmers by improving sustainable land management practices. It specifically targets "high potential" areas that are increasingly becoming vulnerable to land degradation and food insecurity.

Other relevant projects in the areas of sustainable resource management, agriculture, value chains and food security:

- *Community Development Strategy in Chimanimani National Park TFCA- Mozambique* (World Bank/ GEF, 2009-12, 550.000 USD)
- *Technical assistance for the implementation of the support zone development plan – NP Limpopo- Mozambique* (MITUR/AfD, 2010-12, 706.000 USD)
- *Feasibility Study for a regional Agro-Biodiversity Programme in Central America* (KfW, 2015, 205.000 €)
- *Territorial approach to adaptation to climate change in Kenya* (GIZ, 2015-19, 2.5m €)
- *Sustainable land management, component of Participatory Forest Management in Ethiopia* (GTZ, 2009-12, 1.7m €)
- *Support to Land Reform in Communal Areas in Namibia* (KfW/MLR, 2011-14, 1.7m €)
- *CERCAPAZ: Sustainable and peace-building management of the environment and natural resources- Colombia* (GTZ, 2009-12, 1.4m €)
- *Improvement of Food Security in Central Mozambique* (GTZ, 2010-11, 130.000 €; GIZ, 2011-12, 130.00 €)