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**PROJECT SHEET ON THE CASHEW VALUE CHAIN**

<b>Country</b>	REPUBLIC OF CONGO
<b>Duration</b>	5 years, from 2020
<b>Location</b>	Niari and Bouenza, Pool, Lekoumou, Cuvette, Sangha and Likouala
<b>Estimated cost</b>	1,060,000,000 FCFA or 1,615,854 Euros
<b>Context</b>	The Republic of Congo, has the ideal conditions for the development of cashew. Private operators have embarked on cashew cultivation with encouraging results. The current project aims to integrate agroforestry with cashew cultivation.
<b>Justification</b>	Cashew nuts are in demand on the international market and many agro-industrial partners are asking Congo to develop this crop. As a result, this project will contribute to the increase in exports.
<b>Objectives</b>	Contribute to the diversification of the economy, create jobs for the younger population.
<b>Actors of the Channel</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agronomic research;</li> <li>• Seed producers (vegetable material);</li> <li>• Mechanized service providers;</li> <li>• Suppliers of agricultural inputs;</li> <li>• Producers (family and agribusiness units);</li> <li>• Farm workers;</li> <li>• Agricultural technicians;</li> <li>• Carriers;</li> <li>• Agri-industrials (human food, beverages, cosmetics, etc.);</li> <li>• Manufacturers of processing equipment;</li> <li>• Trading/export;</li> <li>• Traders (wholesalers and retailers).</li> </ul>
<b>Challenges</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to land</li> <li>• The funding gap;</li> <li>• Quality of plants;</li> <li>• Lack of cultural history in Congo;</li> <li>• The reduced size of farms (mainly household farms).</li> </ul>
<b>Actions to be taken</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Setting up 800 hectares of cashew in agroforestry in the departments targeted by the project</li> <li>• Supports the cashew value chain.</li> </ul>
<b>Expected results</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of the cashew culture to reach 50,000 hectares at the end of the project.</li> </ul>