Support for improving sustainable productivity and competitiveness of the dairy sector in West Africa and Central

**Project Code:** LFA/03/CF/CW/2011-14/

**Objective:**

The specific objective is to sustainably improve the productivity and competitiveness of value chains related to milk production. The dairy farms of small size and extensive breeders that address the intensification of production through specific care provided to animals "core slag" are the main targets of the project.

**Background/Rationale:**

Livestock plays an important role in the economies of subsaharan countries. It may occupy regarding the country nearly 80% of the workforce and contribute to GDP in proportions varying from 5 to 20%. However, despite often a large staff, production of meat and milk are insufficient to cover the needs of ever increasing population. Attempts to intensification of livestock, including the development of peri-urban farms, are facing food problems, health, and animal husbandry techniques, especially a lack of organization among actors. These constraints are compounded by the impact of climate change. In this context and in partnership with national research institutions, the School of Inter-State Veterinary Sciences and Medicine (EISMV), proposes that action research project of 3 years.

**Project Outputs:**

- Collaboration between stakeholders in the milk value chain is effective.
- Technologies and innovations are developed or adapted.
- Actors' capacities are strengthened.

**Project Funding Type:** Competitive project

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