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*“Cultivating Hope and Optimism for the Future: Viewing Challenges as Opportunities and the Unknown as a Space of Possibility”*



This annual report provides an overview of Forum for Natural Regeneration LBG (FONAR's) work from January 2025 to December 2025.

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# Messages from the Board and Management

## BOARD CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

COP (RTD) PATRICK A. AKOLGO

"Taking the first step is the beginning of cultivating hope and optimism for the future."



### Dear our Cherished Stakeholders,

It is with a profound sense of purpose that I present this 2025 Annual Report. Our theme for reflection this year, *"Taking the First Step is the Beginning of Cultivating Hope and Optimism for the Future,"* is not merely a slogan; it is the living testimony of the communities we serve in Northern Ghana.

In the midst of land degradation and climate uncertainty, the decision to regenerate the land can feel daunting. Yet, across the dry Northern Savannah regions, we have witnessed the transformative power of that single, courageous first step. A farmer who protects one sprout from a felled stump – this is the humble beginning of a green revolution for sustainable agroecology. This simple act represent resilience, foresight, faith and the wisdom of nurturing small beginnings.

Our Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) project in Nabdam District continues to turn degraded landscapes into productive farmlands. However, this year our greatest hope lies in the laughter and determination echoing from our School FMNR Eco-clubs in Talensi. In basic schools across the Talensi District, we are not just teaching children how to prune trees; we are cultivating a mindset.

These young custodians are taking their own first steps – regenerating valuable native trees and shrubs, tending to school demonstration woodlots, and carrying the message home. Nurturing saplings and stump resprouts in their hands, becomes a powerful symbol of hope, optimism and resilience.

Empowering the next generation to care for nature transforms environmental action from a fleeting, emotional reaction to a sustained, daily practice. By fostering a deep, personal connection to the environment early on, children develop lasting habits, such as conserving resources and advocating for sustainability. The first step has been taken. With our collective effort, the future of Northern Ghana is not just optimistic; it is green, thriving and full of promise.

As we look toward 2026, I wish to salute our team of dedicated staff for their commitment and our donors for giving us a sense of hope. I invite our partners, our government and every stakeholder to join us in taking that next step. The journey is long, but with every regenerated tree, we cultivate not just hope, but a harvest for generations yet unborn.

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

SUMAILA S. SAAKA

“United we can go further”

### To the Esteemed FONAR Community, Partners and Friends,

As I reflect on the journey of FONAR over the past year, I am reminded that the most ambitious expeditions and the most profound transformations all begin the same way: with a single step. FONAR is dedicated to the principle that the Earth possesses a remarkable capacity to heal itself, if only we create the conditions for it to do so. But creating those conditions requires action. It requires courage. It requires a united front.

The challenges we face remain significant. Ghana continues to lose more than 600,000 hectares of land to land degradation and bushfires every year, with the northern regions bearing the brunt of this devastation. These are not just statistics; they represent lost livelihoods, destroyed homes and a compromised future for our children. For too long, we have watched critical soil organisms and young tree seedlings – the very foundation of our ecological balance – be consumed by flames and bad land use practices.

In 2025, we chose action over despair. We chose to believe that our work – restoring agricultural lands, empowering local communities and advocating for nature-based solutions – is the beginning of a tide. Our flagship *Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration for Women's Empowerment and Livelihoods Project (FMNR4WELIP)*, funded by the Awaken Trees Foundation of Austria, has shown us the blueprint for success. In the Nabdam District, the Dasang and Kparaboug communities have become beacons of change. Thanks to the dedication of 40 community FMNR lead farmers and fire volunteers, we have witnessed a significant decline in bushfire incidents over the last two years, making these communities the envy of their neighbours.

Our work has been amplified by the power of unity. We have stood with local leaders as custodians of the land. We have joined forces with government agencies and other NGOs to advocate for systemic change. These alliances are our roots, anchoring us in reality, draw up new sources of strength and innovation, and allowing us to reach further than we ever could, walking alone.

As we look to 2026, let us have the courage to take the next step, trusting that it fuels our hope. And let us extend our hands to our partners, remembering that united, we can go further than we ever imagined. Thank you for being a vital part of this journey. Together, we are not just walking the path; we are paving it. To our dedicated team, our committed partners and the resilient communities we serve: thank you. Together, we are fostering a culture of safety, restoring our environment and securing a prosperous future. **United, we will always go further.**





## OUR VISION

- ◇ To be among the leading environmental restoration organizations inspiring hope in communities and individuals to take care of the environment for food security, resilient livelihoods and communities.

## OUR MISSION

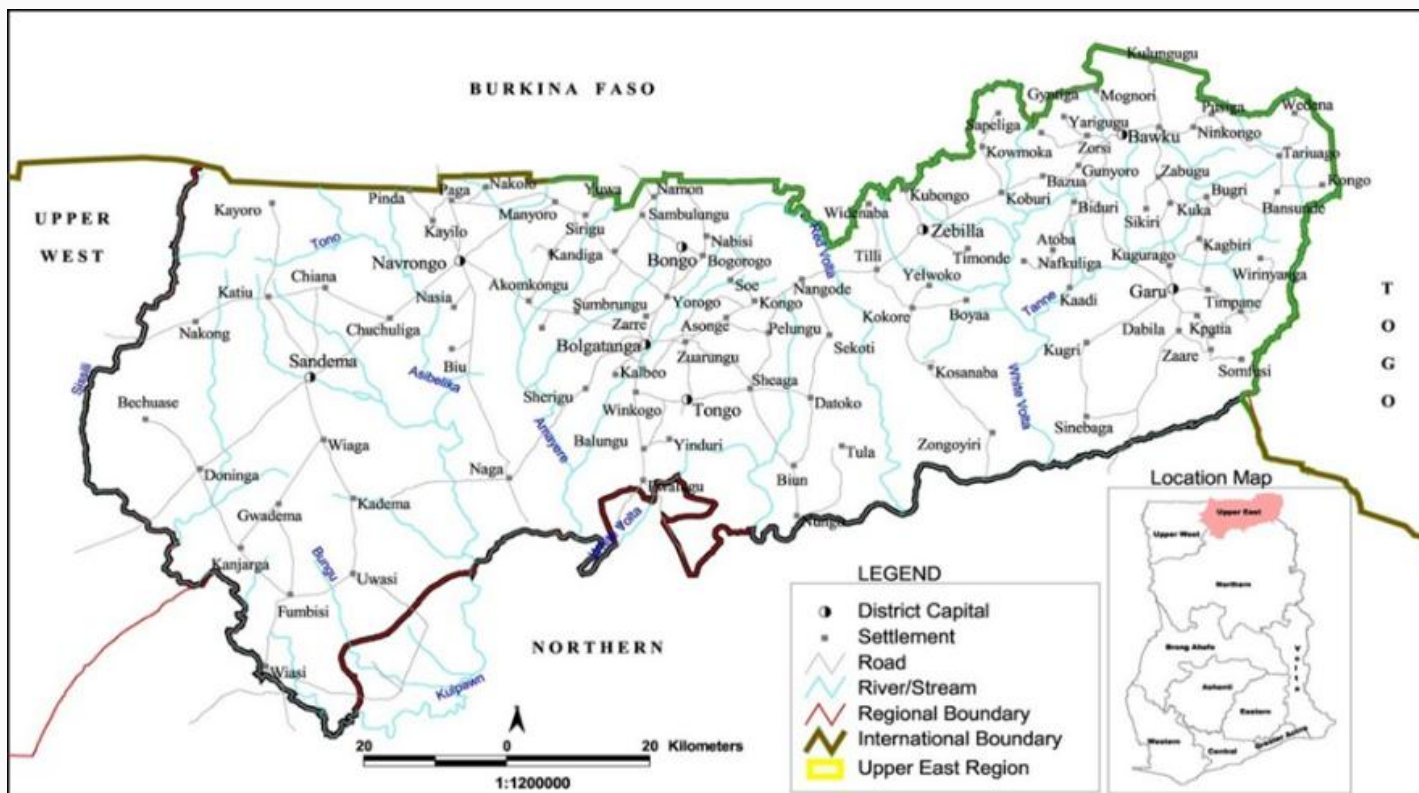
- ◇ To create a forum for action learning to preserve and restore the productivity of degraded landscapes through natural regeneration for sustainable livelihoods.

## OUR APPROACH

FONAR promotes Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) to restore degraded landscapes. This low-cost technique involves farmers regenerating trees from existing stumps or root systems rather than planting new ones. We implement FMNR Eco-Clubs in schools to train students as environmental champions for bottom-up sustainability of the practice.

We advocate for integrating this sustainable, high-survival-rate practice into local and national policies to combat land degradation and improve livelihoods.

**FONAR** works in the Northern Savannah regions of Ghana, with a strong presence in the Upper East Region.





# Highlights – Our 2025 Achievements

**Our School Kids FMNR Eco-club Programme** is a strategic pillar designed to support the *National FMNR Application* by fostering environmental stewardship among the next generation and building long-term community capacity for sustainability.

## Key Links to National FMNR Capacity Building

- ◇ *Youth Empowerment as Agents of Change:* The programme creates a "squad of young FMNR champions" who advocate for tree stewardship and environmental conservation within their communities.
- ◇ *Experiential Learning Bridge:* The eco-clubs provide a critical link between formal education and community action. Learners explore FMNR as a sustainable land restoration solution, building the practical capability required to implement these techniques.
- ◇ *Stakeholder Integration:* By partnering with the Ghana Education Service (GES), the Ghana National Fire Service (GNFS), and the Forestry Commission, the programme aligns school-based activities with local and national environmental priorities.
- ◇ *Advocacy for Policy Mainstreaming:* We utilise the school-based FMNR promotion success to urge the Government to include FMNR as a priority strategy in national initiatives like the "Trees for Life" Reforestation Initiative.
- ◇ *Community Scaling:* The programme has expanded from a two-year pilot in 15 schools to a long-term initiative covering at least 25 basic schools in the Talensi District, currently reaching more **900** children.





# Highlights – Our 2025 Achievements

**The FMNR for Community Resilience Programme:** The Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration for Women's Empowerment and Livelihoods Project (FMNR4WELIP) is implemented in the Nabdam district, Upper East Region to improve environmental health, food security and household income, while empowering vulnerable female farmers.

## The FMNR4WELIP key impacts include:

- ◇ *Land Restoration:* More than **64 hectares** of degraded farmlands have been restored using the FMNR technique.
- ◇ *Environmental Health:* The project contributes to improved soil health, increased biodiversity, and a reported reduction in annual bushfires within the target communities.
- ◇ *Livelihood Improvement:* the project supported **45** vulnerable women and other marginalized individuals with complementary livelihood activities, increasing household income and community resilience to climate change.

## Empowerment and Education:

- ◇ Women's representation in FMNR Lead Farmer Groups has increased.
- ◇ **32** FMNR lead farmers and champions have been trained to educate other farmers on the technique.
- ◇ The project provided training on safe handling and efficient use of agrochemicals to prevent further land degradation and water pollution, while highlighting how FMNR can enhance the effectiveness of these inputs.
- ◇ About **100** farmers are actively involved in FMNR and related livelihoods across two communities, building local capacity for sustainable land management.





## School FMNR Eco-Club Programme

Our School Kids Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) Eco-club Programme empowers and inspires children and young people to become FMNR advocates and agents of change for environmental restoration in their communities. In the short-term (3-5 years) duration of a project life cycle, the Programme provides learners with indoor classroom environmental education and outdoor hands-on nature-based experience in ecological restoration actions. Children and young people represent more than a third (34.7%) of Ghana's population and their wellbeing will determine the country's future direction. Improving their environmental knowledge, skills and action through a multi-pronged approach is a top priority of FONAR. Our goal is to achieve the integration of environmental education into the school curricula, support child-led nature restoration actions and foster a sense of environmental stewardship through various activities.

FONAR is committed towards preparing the **next generation of leaders** to address critical challenges at the intersection of climate, land use and sustainable agricultural practices. We provide a critical **experiential bridge** between education and community level environmental actions. Through hands-on nature-based learning, our Eco-club members and teachers explore the pros and cons of FMNR as a sustainable land restoration solution that promotes biodiversity conservation, livelihoods security and climate change resilience. Under the Programme, we are currently implementing "*The Regreening Communities through School Kids FMNR Eco-Clubs in Talensi District of Upper East Region, Northern Ghana Project*" in 10 basic schools, with funding from the Heidehof Stiftung of Germany and Awaken Trees of Austria.



## Sprouting Out as a First Step: Teacher Training in FMNR Techniques

"**Sprouting Out**" captures the essence of FONAR's approach to scaling the Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) technique through schools using teachers as the entry point. Just as a tree sapling sprouts out and extend its branches majestically after proper pruning, trained teachers become catalysts, extending knowledge and skills outward from the classroom into the wider community.

This bottom-up strategy is pivotal for scaling up FMNR because it bypasses top-down mandates and embeds the practice within the everyday fabric of society. Teachers, as trusted and respected community opinion leaders, are uniquely positioned to influence not only their students but also the students' families. When a child learns the simple, powerful act of regenerating tree stumps in a school demonstration plot, they take that skill and enthusiasm home, demonstrating it to their parents on family farms. This creates a powerful multiplier effect. Training one teacher can impact dozens of students each year, who in turn influence hundreds of households over time. "Sprouting Out" signifies this organic, exponential growth – a grassroots movement of regeneration that begins with informed educators and spreads, root and branch, through the community, ensuring the technique is adopted, adapted and sustained for generations.

**In March 2025**, we trained **20** Eco-club teachers drawn from the 10 project target schools in Talensi on FMNR practices and Environmental Education Lesson Planning. They were introduced to the basic concepts of ecosystems, ecosystem services and landscape ecology. Then, introduced to the FMNR concept and principles, followed by hands-on basic tree pruning techniques. The teachers were also trained on environmental education lesson planning and provided with School Kids for FMNR supplementary Curriculum. Immediately after the training the teachers started passing on the knowledge and skills to children in their schools, regreening mindsets beyond school walls.



# World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought 2025

The 10 School Eco-clubs were supported to organise activities to mark World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought (WDCDD) 2025, under the theme: *"Restore the land, Unlock the Opportunities – through Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration."* The semi-dry northern savannah agroecological zone, where FONAR works, is prone to drought and desertification. FMNR has been recognised as an feasible and effective solution for combating drought and desertification in drylands such as Northern Ghana

## PHOTO ESSAY OF "CELEBRATE WITH US ACTIVITIES" TO OBSERVE THE DAY

**Gorogo Junior High School Eco-club** developed an innovative community environmental education and awareness-raising campaign dubbed *"Find, Engage and Educate Campaign."* They created posters with messages related to the WDCDD 2025 theme. Then, they went into the community to engage and educate people at wherever they were – at water points, farms and homes as shown below (photos).



**Sakorit Primary School Eco-club** organised a joint tree pruning exercise with community members to mark the Day. The activity was a valuable way of educating parents about proper tree care and fostering a sense of collective stewardship. Teachers and eco-club members shared knowledge and skills of proper pruning techniques. The exercise fostered a sense of shared responsibility for the environment, providing hands-on FMNR application and the importance of trees in the community. The event marked a starting point for ongoing community involvement in the club activities.





## Lighting the Flame for the Next Generation: Screening the “Forest Maker” Documentary in Schools

In an era of increasingly climate anxiety and a sense of disconnect from the natural world, educators and parents are constantly searching for stories that can rekindle hope and inspire action in young people. “**The Forest Maker**,” a documentary by Academy Award-winning director Volker Schlöndorff, offers exactly that. Bringing the story of Australian agronomist **Tony Rinaudo** into classrooms is more than just a film screening; it is an opportunity to light a flame in the next generation, showing them that simple, innovative ideas like the FMNR restoration technique can change the world.

Volker made “**The Forest Maker**” documentary because he was surprised that Tony’s “world revolution” was not more widely known. We sought to correct that by screening the film in the 10 basic schools in Talensi where we implement the FMNR Eco-clubs Project. We introduced students and teachers to a hero who proves that ordinary people can do extraordinary things. And that we can move beyond the narrative of environmental destruction and offer a powerful, visual story of restoration, resilience and hope. Screening the film in schools is an investment in the next generation of forest makers, equipping them not just with facts and figures, but with the inspiration to believe that they, too, can help heal the planet. FONAR screened, featuring Tony Rinaudo, in all the ten eco-club schools to inspire the next generation of environmentalists. About **1,500 children** (boys/girls) and **31** teachers watched the 15-minute shortened version of the film, which we screened in November 2025 in all the 10 target schools.





## BE BUSHFIRE READY, LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND!

- ◇ **Our 2025/2026 School Kids Bushfire Awareness Campaign**, under the theme "*Bushfire Prevention in a Changing Climate: Children as Effective Allies,*" underscored the critical role of engaging the younger generation to build community resilience against bushfires and other environmental risks.
- ◇ It highlighted the need to empower children to help fight bushfires, combat deforestation and promote sustainable practices to mitigate climate change.
- ◇ The campaign was organized in partnership with the Ghana National Fire Service (GNFS) and Ghana Education Service (GES) and carried out in the 10 Eco-club schools.
- ◇ About **1,600** children and **24** teachers participated in the awareness sessions.





## Measuring key Outcomes & Impact of the Eco-Club Project

### A Summary of the key outcomes & impact of School FMNR Eco-club project:

- ✓ The project has reached **236** pupils/students and **33** teachers directly in 10 basic schools, and more than **14,000** children, teachers and community members indirectly.
- ✓ Both teachers and pupils/students have gained a deeper understanding, knowledge and skills on natural regeneration of native trees and bushfire mitigation.
- ✓ Pupils/students are actively involved in tree pruning, and in establishing school demonstration fields to showcase FMNR practices.
- ✓ The 10 school Eco-clubs are restoring a total of 9.36 hectares of degraded communal lands allocated to them as FMNR demonstration plots.
- ✓ Increased community awareness on the importance of trees through community durbars (meetings) and joint exercises organised by the Eco-clubs
- ✓ The project has received strong praise and commitment from local institutions, including the Talensi District Directorate of Education and the National Disaster Management Organisation (NADMO), which are crucial for long-term sustainability.



# The Community FMNR Programme

**The Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) for Community Resilience Programme (FMNR4CRP)** is one of FONAR's core initiatives, specifically focused on rural smallholder farming communities in northern Ghana. The Programme promotes climate-smart agroforestry practices as a nature-based approach for restoring degraded agricultural lands, enhancing soil fertility and building climate resilience. By integrating trees, crops and livestock, these systems improve water infiltration, regulate microclimates and increase carbon sequestration. We capacitate farmers to regenerate native trees on farms and communal graze lands, improving soil fertility and providing dry-season fodder for livestock. Through this community-led circular approach, farmers are not just regenerating trees for the future; but are actively solving two of the biggest hurdles for smallholder farmers: **nutrient loss** and the **hunger gap** during the dry season.

The programme complements FMNR implementation with sustainable agricultural practices (SAPs) like conservation tillage, crop rotation, cover cropping, farm residue management, soil and nutrient management like composting to boost yields. Micro-watershed protection is central to the success of FMNR implementation. Hence, the programme supports rural farmers and farming communities to integrate broader context-specific watershed management practices to reduce runoff and recharge groundwater. By combining FMNR with water harvesting and sustainable farming practices, the programme aims to break the cycle of drought and land degradation. This holistic approach secures diverse food sources, restores ecosystem services and builds long-term adaptive capacity, ensuring sustainable smallholder livelihoods.





## Empowering Women Strengthens Families and Transforms Communities.

Our flagship Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration for Women's Empowerment and Livelihoods Project (FMNR4WELIP), being implemented in the Nabdam District of the Upper East Region, aims to improve food security, nutrition and sustainable livelihoods. The project, which began in February 2023, targets about **300** direct beneficiaries (including 75 men, 125 women, and 100 youth of both genders) and about **1000** indirect beneficiaries in two communities – Dasang and Kparaboug. The project's success demonstrates how a simple land management practice like FMNR with carefully designed complementary activities can lead to measurable environmental regeneration and socio-economic benefits. The project after three years of implementation has shown tangible results in its target communities:

- **Land Restoration:** About **64 hectares** of degraded farmlands have been restored using the FMNR techniques and complementary sustainable farming practices.
- **Community Involvement:** More than **100 people** are involved in FMNR and related livelihood activities.
- **Knowledge Transfer:** **52 FMNR champions and community fire volunteers** have been trained to educate other farmers on FMNR and fire management practices.
- **Fire Management:** A noticeable reduction in annual bushfires has been observed in the target communities, protecting regenerating trees and crops, and restoring dried-up community water sources (boreholes and hand-dug wells).
- **Livelihood Support:** **45 vulnerable women** and other marginalized people received direct livelihood support, supported to operate viable self-selected Group Savings and Loans Associations (GSLAs).
- **Empowerment:** Women's representation in FMNR Lead Farmer and Community Fire Volunteer Groups has increased, contributing to social inclusion and joint community and household decision-making.



**February 2025: Training of Women on Micro-Enterprise Entrepreneurship skills Development**



**April 2025: Training on safe and appropriate uses of agrochemicals (weedicides and pesticides)**

### **During the year under review, the Project**

- Trained 45 women in basic micro-enterprise skills development to equip them to start and manage micro-income generation enterprises.
- Trained 20 FMNR Lead Farmers (10 males/10 females) on the safe handling and appropriate use of agrochemicals.
- Trained 20 lead farmers (10 males/10 females) on modern beekeeping practices.
- Trained 20 Lead farmers (10 male/10 female) on proper chemical fertilizer application.
- Provided on-farm tree management extension technical support to 11 farmers to help them integrate and maintain trees within their farms.
- Re-trained and equipped 20 ( 10 males/10 females) community fire volunteers.



**May 2025: Modern Beekeeping Training.**



**August 2025: Fertilizer application training**

*"Our boreholes are our main source of water, and inappropriate fertilizer use can easily contaminate them. I am committed to educating fellow farmers on the right methods to protect our water sources. Thank you FONAR and Awaken Trees for this training. I will share the knowledge and skills gained with other farmers. " – Says male lead farmer after the fertilizer use training.*



## Partnerships are the Foundation of Hope

“A single bracelet does not jingle.” - an African proverb

Building enduring partnerships is the bedrock of FONAR's mission, transforming solitary environmental restoration efforts into a shared movement for restoration of hope. By working with communities, educators, scientists, local leaders, sector government agencies, our donors and others, FONAR builds a collective force capable of large-scale regeneration. This collaborative spirit fosters resilience, pools knowledge and empowers communities, proving that together we can heal the planet and cultivate enduring hope for a greener future. In 2025, we significantly expanded and strengthened our collaborative networks and partnerships, implementing projects with a range of international and local partners to enhance environmental restoration and community resilience in northern Ghana.

**Our work in 2025** has been heavily supported by Awaken Trees of Austria (our core partner) and the Heidehof Stiftung of Germany. These two foundations are jointly funding the two-year "Regreening Communities through School Kids FMNR Eco-Clubs" Project in the Talensi District. Awaken Trees is also independently funding the Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration for Women's Empowerment and Livelihoods Project (FMNR4WELIP) in the Nabdam District.

Beyond strengthening international ties, FONAR deepened its roots through crucial local partnerships across different districts. We had a very productive partnership with the Ghana Education Service (GES) in Talensi, Ghana National Fire Service (GNFS), Forest Services Division (FSD), the Nabdam District Department of Agriculture and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to implement various regional and district level activities.



## New Partnerships & Collaborations – Crossing the River Together

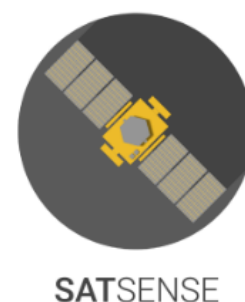
**The TRANS-SAHARA Project:** The TRANS-SAHARA Project is a large-scale, EU-funded initiative aimed at combating climate change and land degradation across Africa using the Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem (WEFE) Nexus approach. Its goal is to restore degraded lands, improve water and energy security and build climate-resilient livelihoods through sustainable agroforestry. The Project is led by Technical University of Munich (TUM) and implemented in Ghana by Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST). The Project established a community-led "Living Lab" in the Damol-Tindongo Community of Nabdam District. FONAR's involvement is central to the project's work in Ghana. As a field implementing partner in Ghana, FONAR is leading community engagement and identifying local needs. In addition, FONAR provides on-the-ground expertise in Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) and ensuring communities are "co-creators" of solutions. The Executive Director of FONAR, Mr. Sumaila S. Saaka serves on the TRANS-SAHARA Project Advisory Board and Chairs the Local Living Lab Implementation Committee. In essence, FONAR acts as the vital local bridge for the TRANS-SAHARA Project, ensuring that international research and funding translate into practical, community-led environmental restoration on the ground.



**In October 2025:** FONAR joined **Fabo**, a global learning community for international non-profit organizations. Becoming a member of Fabo provides FONAR with a platform for collaboration across organizations, share learning through online course and networking. Fabo membership connects FONAR with a diverse group of international organizations and networks within the Fabo community. This membership aligns directly with FONAR's goal of widening and strengthening its network of friends and partnerships beyond geographical boundaries. We thank Awaken Trees for generously agreeing to pay FONAR's membership subscription.



**In September 2025,** FONAR began a mutually beneficial partnership with Satsense Solutions, a UK based Company that uses cutting-edge satellite data and tools to map ecosystem restoration. Satsense provided satellite mapping support to monitor, report and verify the agroforestry and sustainable agricultural practices impacts of FONAR's FMNR4WELIP. This was under a European Space Agency (ESA) funded project for Satsense to develop satellite-based monitoring systems for sustainable agricultural practices such as cover crops and crop rotation to improve soil health, biodiversity and carbon sequestration.





## PARTICIPATION IN EVENTS ORGANISED BY PARTNERS

**In 2025**, FONAR actively participated in a series of events organised by our partners.

- ◇ **30 April 2025:** FONAR attended a Development Partners meeting held in Bolgatanga, hosted by the Upper East Regional Coordinating Council (UE-RCC). The meeting was organised to strengthen coordination, harmonize development plans and foster collaboration between the RCC, MMDAs, international and local development partners.
- ◇ **05 June 2025:** FONAR attended the Upper East Regional launch of the Government's flagship "Tree for Life" Reforestation Initiative at the invitation of the Forest Services Division. The event was held at Kongo Senior High School in Nabdam District.
- ◇ **25-26 June 2025:** Christpoher Pubeng, Head of Programmes, attended the 3rd Ghana Civil Society Forum 2025 in Accra, at the invitation of STAR-Ghana Foundation. The Forum was organised under the theme, "Reimagining Development Financing and Civic Action – Challenges, Opportunities and the Way Forward."
- ◇ **11 July 2025:** Sumaila S. Saaka, Executive Director, attended a World Vision Ghana (WVG) Partnership Engagement Meeting in Savelugu, Northern Region. The meeting was hosted by Joseph Appiah, WVG Grants Manager and Richard Awini, Risk, Compliance and Partnership Manager.
- ◇ **24 July 2025:** FONAR participated in the TRANS-SAHARA Project Living Lab Planning and Co-design Workshop held in Bolgatanga. During the workshop, Sumaila S. Saaka (Executive Director) articulated FONAR's core philosophy, which closely aligns with the TRANS-SAHARA project's community-centered approach.
- ◇ **22 October 2025:** FONAR Executive Director, Sumaila S. Saaka presented on "Revitalising Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) as a scalable agroforestry model in sub-Saharan Africa's semi-arid drylands", under the TRANS-SAHARA Project Expert Talks Series.

# Our Donors, Supporters and Key Partners

## Our Donors in 2025

- Awaken Trees Foundation (Austria) – Our Core Funding Partner
- Heidehof Foundation (Germany)

**FONAR** continues to receive generous financial and technical support from our donors, supporters, partners and collaborators. Special thanks to our core funding partner, Awaken Trees Foundation of Austria and its young inspirational Founder/President, Josef Ertl. We profoundly express gratitude to Heidehof Stiftung (Foundation) of Germany for co-funding our current school kids FMNR Eco-club Project in Talensi District, making it possible to expand our reach to more schools. A debt of gratitude to Mr. Nuhu Turosung Sulemana for funding the development and hosting of our website. A huge appreciation to Dr. Daphne Keilmann-Gondhalekar, TRANS-SAHARA Project Lead at the Technical University of Munich (TUM) for creating a space for FONAR to participate in the project's implementation in Ghana. Thank you to everyone for supporting behind the scenes to shine our light beyond borders.



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