

5 projects have been allocated Technical Assistance from Canopy Trust



Following the announcement in Belem in November 2025, Canopy has worked extensively to build a pipeline of investable projects in the Congo Basin. In less than a year, Canopy Trust has received almost 60 projects thanks to its sourcing strategy, and **5 have already been approved for technical assistance grants**, including:

- [DRC FFF Platform](#), an integrated food, feed, and fuel (FFF) platform to strengthen agricultural value chains contributing to deforestation mitigation and improving food security in DRC
- [Faja Lobi](#), an agroforestry and sustainable charcoal project in Kwilu, DRC supporting smallholders, reducing deforestation and strengthening rural value chains.
- [PKT & Partners Group](#), a project in the DRC aiming at scaling the production of deforestation-free charcoal alternatives to address energy poverty, deforestation and health risks linked to traditional biomass cooking.
- Paygas, a company expanding access to affordable and clean cooking energy for low-income households while reducing pressure on forests from charcoal and fuelwood use.

From the initial pipeline, a clear concentration of investment-ready projects has emerged in the **Democratic Republic of Congo**. This reflects the country's unique combination of large natural capital assets, strong demand for sustainable land-use solutions, and an active ecosystem of project developers, which together generate a relatively higher number of initiatives seeking catalytic support. A distribution also highlighting Canopy Trust priority focus to curb deforestation, with the DRC accounting for 60% of the Congo Basin forest cover, and close to 70% of its deforestation.

To ensure a diversified portfolio across the Congo Basin and identify promising opportunities in other countries, **Canopy Trust will continue strengthening its regional sourcing efforts**. As part of this strategy, the Canopy Trust team plans to participate in events in the region, aimed at engaging local stakeholders and identifying new project opportunities.

Besides, the project submission platform is always open, and project developers are encouraged to submit their details if their projects meet the criteria.