

The Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa announces its funding programme for 2023

LONDON (2023) - Following its annual Meeting of Trustees on the 1st August 2023, the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA) has announced a programme of £299,973 in new grants.

The 2023 funding programme will support the following organisations and projects:

- Rainforest Alliance: The Mount Kenya Community Forest Associations Climate Change Mitigation
 and Adaptation Project in Kenya aims to help Community Forest Associations and local residents
 restore a sustainable and healthy Mount Kenya landscape. This will be delivered through activities
 that focus on forest conservation, tree-planting, climate awareness and environmental education.
- Farm Africa: The forest-friendly livelihoods to protect biodiversity in the Bale Eco-Region project in Ethiopia aims to improve livelihoods through biodiversity conservation and support for local coffee farmers in the Bale-Eco region. Specifically, the project will work with 140 coffee farmers to promote coffee production, post-harvest management training and agroforestry techniques, as well as marketing support for 10 agricultural cooperatives.
- African Leadership Academy: The 'Enabling promising young leaders to shape innovative solutions to Africa's grand challenges project' aims to support 3 students from various African countries to receive a high-quality education at ALA's campus in South Africa. The project also will provide support for the African Leadership for Infrastructure Design & Innovation Challenge, a program in which ALA students and ALA network members team up to propose solutions to corporate and business challenges.
- **ENDA Energie:** The project to improve the resilience of mangrove ecosystems and communities through restoration and extension of clean technologies in the Ufoyaal Kassa Bandial and Bamboung Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) aims to restore the mangrove ecosystem and improve the livelihoods of local people through the planting of 20ha of mangroves as well as the distribution of 1000 clean cook stoves amongst the local community.

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About the Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa

The Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa (MCFEA) is a charitable foundation established in 1992 by Mitsubishi Corporation and its UK-based subsidiary Mitsubishi Corporation International (Europe) Plc. Spanning more than thirty years, the MCFEA has been engaged in a wide variety of partnerships throughout Europe and Africa, supporting innovative projects which align with its central aims: the promotion of environmental conservation; the support of environmental education and research; and the alleviation of poverty, as well as its charitable objective to: provide innovative and impactful solutions to environmental and social issues in Europe and Africa.

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MC provides philanthropic contributions through a variety of channels including grants from the MCFEA and its sister charity the Mitsubishi Corporation Foundation for the Americas (MCFA).

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