









THE TROPICAL WOOD INDUSTRY **OPERATES IN DIFFERENT CONTEXTS:** THE COCOA INDUSTRY IS FACING MANY CHALLENGES IN AFRICA:

CENTRAL AFRICA

Commitment to sustainable forest management Livelihoods projects for communities

WESTERN AFRICA

Low level of income diversification Cocoa (and farming) is a driver of deforestation Ageing cacao trees, diseases, climate change

THE ASSOCIATION OF CACAO **AND TIMBER TREE SPECIES** WITHIN AGROFORESTRY **PROJECTS:**

AN ASSET FOR MANY

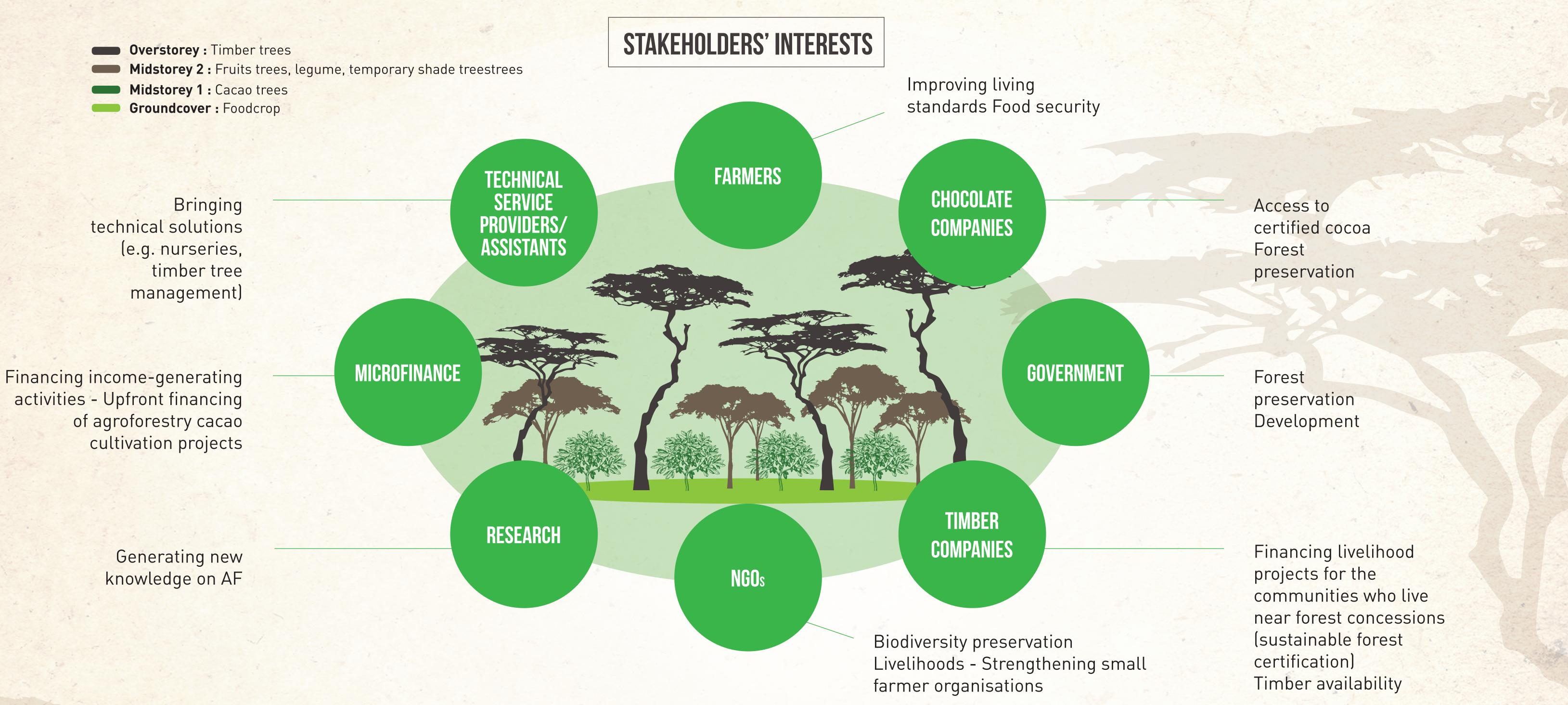
Foreseeable shortage of wood Companies and small farmers are experimenting with the cacao-timber tree association

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ONE GLOBAL APPROACH TO ACHIEVE A CACAO-TIMBER TREE ASSOCIATION MODEL







- The agroforestry model depends on production goals • A strong synergy between farmers, NGOs and donors is essential to successful initiatives
- Funding is key to start off the initial stages of a project as the inability to pay for initial costs may prevent excellent investments from being made A virtuous cycle is then triggered: aid > certification > livelihood improvement > savings > reinvestment > scaling up

PROSPECTS

 Large-scale dissemination of knowledge of agroforestry systems to other Fair Trade certified cooperatives • Enhancing the value of timber trees grown in agroforestry systems with the new 'Trees outside forest' PEFC standard Development of financial mechanisms • The legal framework needs to be adapted



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