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Analysis and recommendations on the elaboration of the National Forest Extension and Rehabilitation Program (NFERP) for the period of 2023-2032 (10 years) in the Republic of Moldova

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The major goal of the NFERP

To ensure the country's needs in forest products/services in order to increase resilience to climate change in the long term through conservation and development of Moldova's forest resources

In terms of maintenance and continuity of national forestlands, the NFERP will carry out extensive tree/shrub planting and rehabilitation/promotion of forest vegetation on at least 145 (**100**) thousand ha for a period of 10 years (2023-2032)

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Expected results by the end

- at least 15% forest expansion (13,4% now) of the country's territory
- 10% production increase compared with existing potential
- new forest plantations (110K ha) and rehabilitated forest (35K ha)
- decreased forest fragmentation index by 0.75 units
- reduced eroded/degraded lands and strengthened water envelope
- created jobs for 14.2 thousand people
- community & private forest sub-sectors promoted/developed

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Specific objectives (5) structured in measures (16) split out into many actions

SO1 -- Development and expansion of the national forest ground

SO2 -- Strengthening forest reproductive material production capacity

SO3 -- Sustainability of planted/rehabilitated forest vegetation

SO4 -- Improving regulatory and institutional framework for forest management

SO5 -- Forest guarding regime

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Estimated costs

Component	MDL (mil)	EUR (mil)	%
Afforestation/rehabilitation & forest maintenance	12607	629	83
Building capacity & technical operations	1396	70	9
Land identification and forest plantation planning	756	38	5
Management costs	451	22	3
Overall	15210	759	100

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Distribution of costs by contributing sources

Contributor	MDL (mil)	EUR (mil)	%
Moldovan state budget	2282	122	15
Agency Moldsilva (from wood/NTFP operation)	228	11	1,5
International sources	12700	626	83,5
Overall	15210	759	100

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Current state

- **Governmental Decision bill** (+Info Note) developed by the MoE
- **Consultations** held with key stakeholders from National Authorities (Ministries, Agencies, State Chancellery), Local Public Authorities, NGO community, Businesses, Academia/Research, etc.
- **Online placement** on MoE's website done and feedback received
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