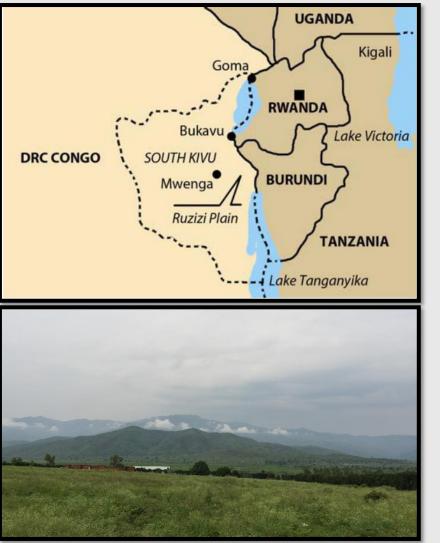
Maji Ya Amani – Water for Peace in the Ruzizi Plain, South Kivu, DRC



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Project Context



- Water crucial for livelihoods → availability is limited → rainfall unreliable.
- Irrigation system (set up in 1952) broke down → at least 500 ha not irrigated.
- High potential for increasing food security and improving livelihoods opportunities.
- Communal conflict → between ethnic groups BUT also agriculturalists and pastoralists (intra-ethnic).



Project Overview

Specific challenges:

- Legal uncertainty \rightarrow national vs. provincial, statutory vs. traditional.
- Enmity between community leaders.
- Lack of maps, documentation/registration of land rights → rights protection.
- Security in the area.

Participatory mapping, zoning maps and resolution of land conflicts required as basis for irrigation to start!



Survey Questionnaire

- Personal data
- Existing conflicts?
- Parties involved?
- Possession of
- proof of ownership or usage? etc.

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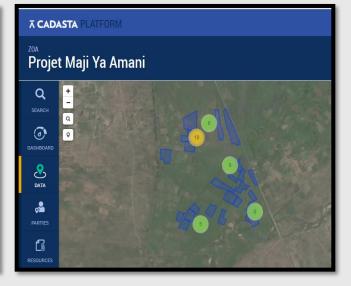
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Post demarcation activities:

- Publication of results
- Communal meetings/discussion
- Conflict resolution.
- Sustainable rights protection: legally, communally, intermediate solution.



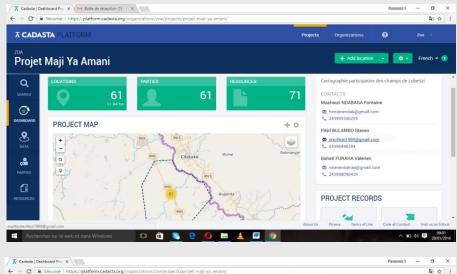
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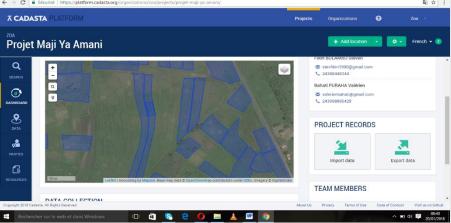
Successes:

- High sensibility of ZOA team (Do-noharm).
- Diverse team setup.
- Agreement of community leaders to participate and political support.
- Participatory mapping started.
- MoU between farmers herders.

Challenges:

- Fears related to technical process.
- Fears related to power structures.
- Sufficient integration of stakeholders in inception jobs.
- Legal uncertainty.
- Land issues viewed as "activity" → not as central as it should be!
- Security situation.







Conclusions

- Linking early recovery and development requires highly diverse skillsets/capacities → Partnerships/Consortia.
- Strong and constant coordination with partners necessary → adaptive programming and flexibility need to be implemented by all.
- Budgetary flexibility needed.
- Contingency planning!
- M&E on conflict sensitivity!





Thank you for your attention!



