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# COMMUNITY DRIVEN CONSERVATION AREAS in AFRICA

## The Sitatunga Valley in Benin

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# Where and since when?



- ❖ **Creation in 2008 (2010)**
- ❖ **From 1000ha > today 5000ha**
- ❖ **ICCA as decision made under municipal decree**
- ❖ **ICCA as management is based on customary tenure system**

# Success Factors & Conclusions

- ❖ Proximity to communities
- ❖ Link with local development
- ❖ Transparency
- ❖ Management committee lead by local community

- ✓ Put socio-economic and cultural interests central
- ✓ Develop flexible juridical framework and community driven mechanisms and tools

MERCI & THANK YOU

