PAN Africa has signed a memorandum with PAN Asia Pacific and PAN UK for the implementation of the International Agroecological Muttiversity project: strengthening the agroecological movement through learning sites and policy advocacy. The aim of this project is to train farmers in healthy and sustainable agroecological practices from soil preparation to harvesting.

The aim of this pilot project is to strengthen farmers' knowledge so that they can master agroecological practices through learning, political advocacy, raising producers' awareness, then disseminating the knowledge and finally applying it on a large scale, i.e. throughout the country. This project could thus contribute to replacing dangerous pesticides with healthy and sustainable agroecological farming practices.

The implementation of the project's activities has produced the following results:

- The training of 25 farmers in agroecological practices. In other words, cross-cutting training that took into account all agro-ecological practices, from soil preparation to harvesting.

- On an area of less than a hectare subdivided into three small portions allocated to turnip, tomato and cabbage crops, the farmers produced 800 kg of turnips, 2,440 kg of tomatoes and 420 kg of cabbage respectively.

- The abandonment of old-fashioned farming practices involving the excessive use of dangerous chemical pesticides.

- Improved incomes for producers working in the learning plot

- Production of a documentary film entitled "Experiments in agro-ecological practices as alternatives to pesticides : the example of the Beer pilot farm", which will be shown at regional and international meetings.

The second phase of the project will involve developing an advocacy campaign at national level to ensure that agro-ecological practices are better taken into account in agricultural development policies and programmes.