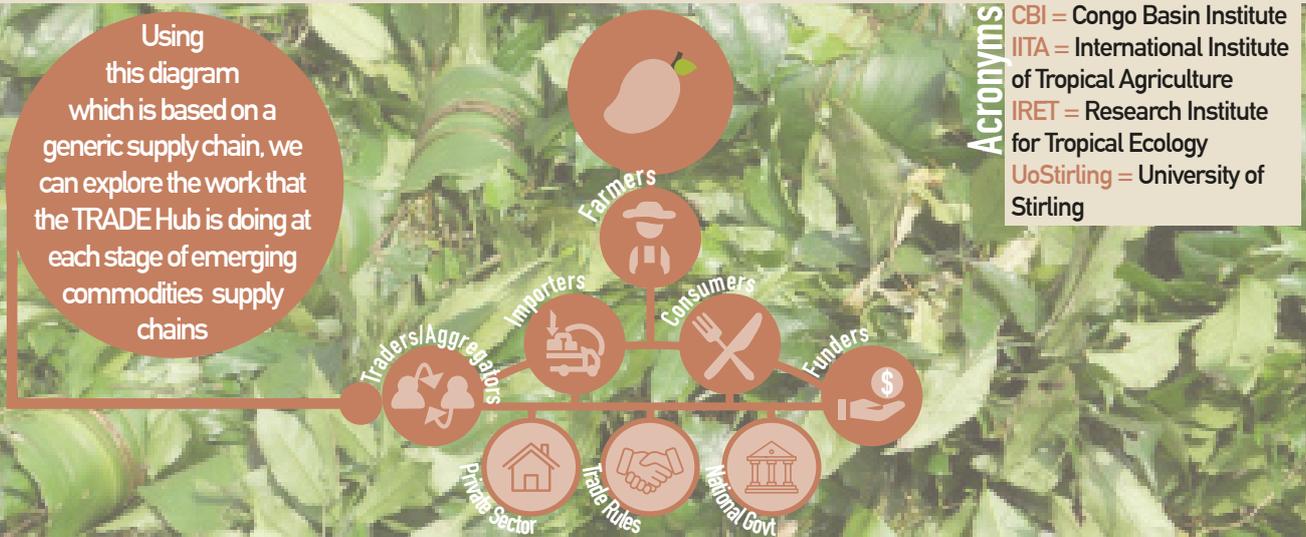


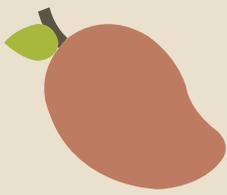
EMERGING COMMODITIES IN THE TRADE Hub



TRADE Hub's research on emerging commodities focuses on bush mango (*Irvingia gabonensis*) and other Non-Timber Forest Products (NTFPs), such as *Dacryodes edulis*, Okoumé resins (*Aucoumea klaineana*) and *Gnetum africanum* (displayed in the photo below). These commodities are emerging within Central African markets but have the potential of being traded internationally, a phenomenon being examined by the TRADE Hub.

Our work explores the ecological and social impact of new commodity markets at the local, regional and international level, to understand how these affect local wildlife and people. We aim to model future supply and value chain scenarios and potential solutions in our focal region, Central Africa.





FARMERS/PRACTICES

- Assessing the role and contribution of bush mango to farmers (CBI-IITA)
- Assessing the techniques used in the production of bush mango (CBI-IITA)
- Identifying the crops associated with the production of bush mango and the reasons driving this association (CBI-IITA)
- Quantifying social impact (livelihoods) of bush mango trade nationally and for focal countries (UoStirling/IRET)

We are studying production systems and mechanisms - filling gaps in knowledge about current farming practices, impacts on ecosystems and people, and direct impacts of high-level policy decisions.

CONSUMERS

We are studying drivers of consumer behaviour, and mechanisms of influence.

IMPORTERS

- Identifying the main importer countries and the companies involved in the trade of bush mango (CBI-IITA)

- Identifying what are the main products consumed from bush mango and which products are preferred (CBI-IITA)

MEAs

We will feed into processes of Multilateral Environmental Agreements, providing the most up-to-date insights for decisions on trade and environment.

- One of the interests of our work is to highlight the contribution of bush mango to the SDGs (CBI-IITA)



TRADERS/AGGREGATORS

We are dissecting the role that importers play, and researching how demand-side management can change the way commodities are traded.

- Identifying trader activities in the bush mango supply chain (CBI-IITA)
- Quantifying the trade system flow of bush mango nationally and between focal countries (UoStirling/IRET)
- Exploring the opportunities and barriers for bush mango (and other Non-Timber Forest Products) commercialisation (UoStirling/IRET) 

PRIVATE SECTOR

We are working towards further integrating environmental and social considerations into global/ corporate trade governance.

- Identifying the private companies involved in the trade of bush mango products (CBI-IITA)



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