

## WHV – Climate action for World Heritage

### Rainforests of the Atsinanana, Madagascar

### PROJECT DATES

Natural property inscribed on the World Heritage List (2007)  
and on the List of World Heritage in Danger (2010)

09 - 18 September 2024

**THE SITE** - The Rainforests of the Atsinanana comprise six national parks distributed along the eastern part of the island. These relict forests are critically important for maintaining ongoing ecological processes necessary for the survival of Madagascar's unique biodiversity, which reflects the island's geological history. Having completed its separation from all other land masses more than 60 million years ago, Madagascar's plant and animal life evolved in isolation. The rainforests are inscribed for their importance to both ecological and biological processes as well as their biodiversity and the threatened species they support. Many species are rare and threatened especially primates and lemurs.

**OBJECTIVES** - The project aims to contribute to the promotion and preservation of natural World Heritage sites in Madagascar in the face of climate challenges, and to promote World Heritage education and the fight against climate change among communities.

**ACTIVITIES** - The volunteers will take part in awareness-raising activities focusing on World Heritage education and climate change at school and village level, through interactive games and competitions, as well as activities to raise the awareness of local communities and the general public through the production of a radio programme, a digital campaign and an exhibition. The volunteers will also help to set up agro-ecological school fields around the site and strengthen community nurseries.

**PARTNERS** - Madagascar National Parks, Malagasy National Commission to UNESCO, GEF SGP Madagascar, Organisation des Communautés locales du Parc National de Marojejy, TAFO MIHAAVO SAVA region.

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