

# A solidarity and sustainability project for food processing and storage in SENEGAL

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### **Business idea**







Building up a Pilot Centre for the agro-food transformation using solar energy plants in Foundiougne, contributing to the developpement of the whole products chain: production, transformation, storage, and trading.



# **Business idea**







# The idea is in agreement with the NATIONAL INVESTEMENTS PROGRAMME of Senegal

### **INTERVENTION PRIORITIES**







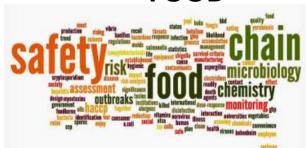
**TOURISM** 



#### **AGRICULTURE**



#### **FOOD**



The MALANDA project fulfills two of the three Intervention Priority Lines



### **Business idea**





# The project is based on basic requirements of a Social Company and meets the following criteria:

- Social and environmental impact
- Financial sustainability
- Local community support
- Women training and employment
- Scale transferability
- Process innovation

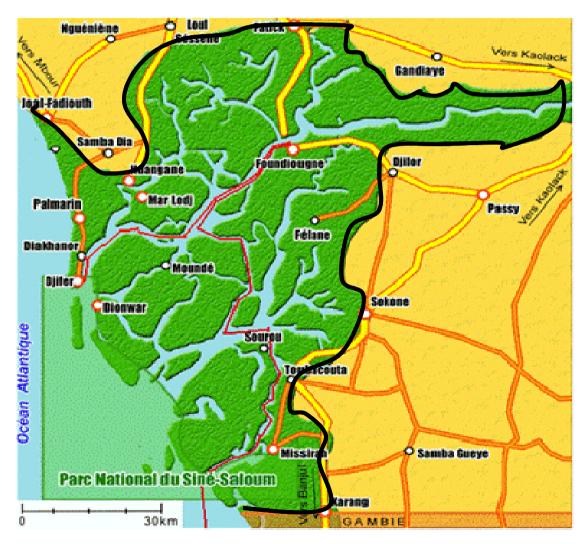


# Operational area





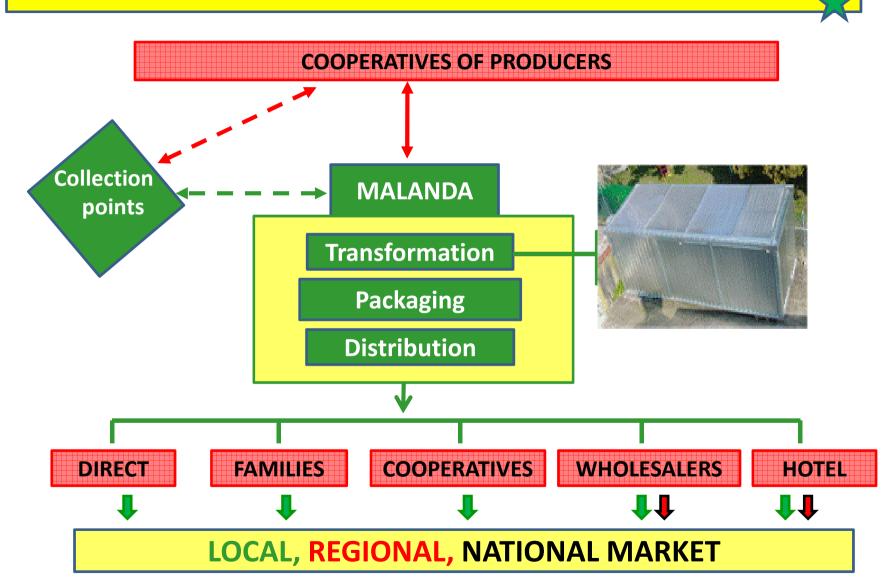






## Food and fishery chains







### **Products**





### Apple (Pomme de cajou):

The fruit is a by-product of the cashew chain.

High sugar (12%) and vitamin C (24mg/L) contents.

Source: Ribeiro et al., JNIRS, <u>24</u>, 77-82 (2016)

The Fatick Region produces 10% of high quality cashew national production.



#### State of art

Seasonal product. Only the external seed is used (cashew).

The largest part of the apples (85%) is directly discarted at harvesting due to the difficulty of storage caused by its high moisture content.

MALANDA proposes in original form a local product largely underused

Apple slices partially dehydrated with hygiene and safety warranty, and good quality maintenance during shelf life



### **Products**





### Red and white hibiscus (BISSAP)

Rich in vitamin C and anthocyanins, anti-oxidant substances improving the functions of blood capillaries.

Suitable for heart diseases and best alternative to blueberry juice.

Source: Huetz de Lemps, Boissons et civilisations en Afrique, Presses Universitaires de Bordeaux, Pessac, 2001, p. 272-274 (ISBN 2-86781-282-8)



Flowers are grown and traditionally used as food and beverage ingredients, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics. The current air-drying process doesn't provide hygienic quality.







MALANDA introduces a new transformation process
Dried, packed, and safe flowers for better storage
and shelf life.



### **Products**





### **Shrimps**

Basic food in Senegalese cooking independently of the social level.

#### State of art

The Fatick Region has a wide delta area with a front of about 70 km and numerous fishermen villages.



Key product of local economy currently processed only artisanally by air drying, which doesn't provide hygienic quality.



MALANDA introduces a new transformation process

Dried, packed, and safe shrimps for better storage
and shelf life.



# Product differentiation: 3° year





#### **Prawns**

Good amount of Poly-Unsaturated-Fatty-Acids (PUFA) and excellent ratio between omega 3 e omega 6 (Essential Fatty Acids - EFA).

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, 2011.



#### State of art

The Fatick Region is the production area of excellence.

Prawns are currently traded ONLY fresh or frozen in supermarkets in large cities. A small amount **not peeled** is locally consumed after air-drying (low hygienic quality).



MALANDA aims to diversify the offer
Peeled, dried, packed prawns for a safe storage
and shelf life.



# Product differentiation: 4° year



### Cashew apple jam

#### State of art

ONLY 10% of cashew apple (pomme de cajou)
National production is artisanally processed
In Senegal Southern Regions for local and home consumption.



After jar opening, the product must be consumed rapidly due to the lack of cold chain, preventing a large production and trading.

MALANDA introduces a new transformation process

With proper technology MALANDA will start the production by improving the jam quality and its shelf life.

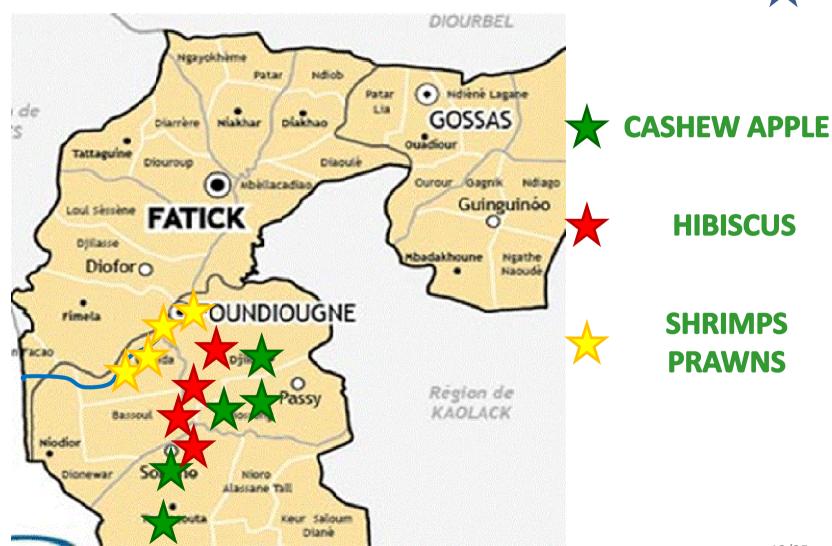
This will enable new market opportunities and recovery of returns/processing waste of dried apple slices.



# **Production area**









# The Company





### **Legal entity: Social Cooperative ONLUS (NPO)**

### **Agri-food sector**





Site: Foundiougne (already available building)
Second Operational Unit (SOU) starting at 4° year of activity
in Toubacouta, 100 km far from Foundiougne

The project is sponsored by A.SI.SI. (Associazione Alleanza Senegal – Italia, Solidarietà&Integrazione) and the Department of Foundiougne



# The Cooperative in summary



- ❖ The cooperative structure is composed of founding members who believe in the validity of the project and the opportunity for a wide development of the business model
- Cooperatives of producers and suppliers already contacted have expressed a strong interest in cooperation with Malanda
- **❖** The Council of Foundiougne Department confirmed its support and sponsorship of this initiative
- ❖ The obvious population need and the non-profit social policy adopted represent a solid foundation of the cooperative



### **TRANSFORMATION PROCESSES**



### **MALANDA**





**Solar drier** 









**Safety QC** 



# **Production strategy**

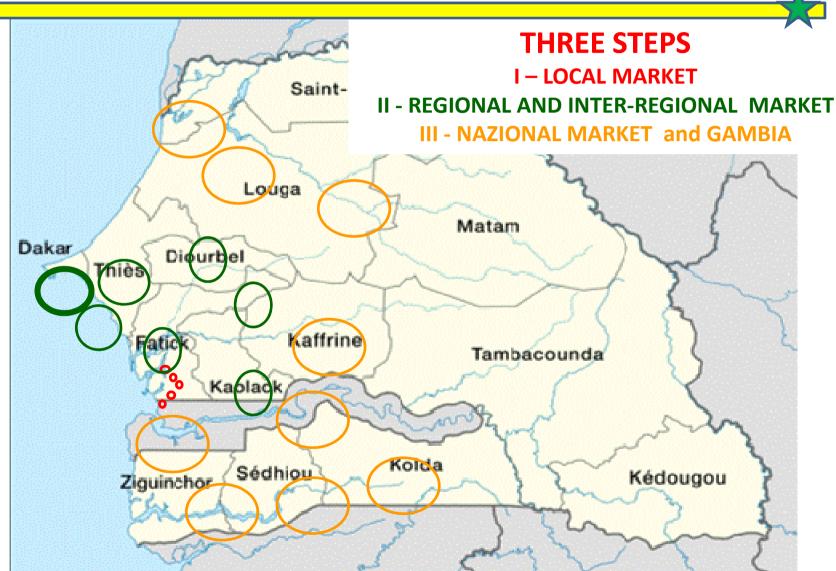




- > Optimisation of the dryers capacity in relation to the seasonality of products (process optimisation)
- > Modularity, extensibility and flexibility of the system
- Exclusive use of solar energy
- Diversified production capability
- High safety for the operators
- > Simplicity of design principle and negligible operating costs
- > Easy to use with a minimal training
- > Re-use of waste products for a circular economy



# **Target markets**





# **Environmental and social impact**



#### **ADVANTAGES**

#### Social

- > Occupational involvement in the whole chain:
  - Farmers and harvesters of raw materials
  - Experts of processing and distribution
- Opportunities for women's employment
- Well-being improvement due to quality, variety and availability of food

# **Environmental**

### and Natural

- Reduction of wastes
- Procedures for collecting, processing, disposal and waste recycling
- > Energy saving
- Heating water using solar and photovoltaic technologies



# Cultural and relational impact



#### **ADVANTAGES**

#### **Cultural**

- Management and agribusiness training
- > Transfer of training and knowledge in other operational units
- > Transposition of operational transformation protocols
- > Food information program

#### **Relational**

- Development of new relationships with external stakeholders
- > Creation of new economies of scale
- Creation of a synergic network between suppliers and distributors
- > Developing new partnerships



# Economic and industrial impact



#### **ADVANTAGES**

# Economic and financial

- Self sustainability in the short-term
- Reinvestment of profits:
  - New Production Lines
  - Replication of the model in other areas
  - Employment increase
- Re-distribution of the generated economic value in the whole chain

#### **Industrial**

- Work safety assurance procedures
- Certification of food safety
- Use of technologically advanced plants
- > Standardized procedures for production and processing
- Supervision and control of Independent Scientific Bodies



### **KEY FIGURES**





✓ Technological investment to start45,000 €

(including regulatory adjustments)

✓ Working capital required to start
42,000 €

✓ Total production – first year 25,000 kg

(cashew apples, hibiscus, shrimps)

✓ Income – first year
170,000 €

✓ EBITDA – first year 24,000 € (14%)

√ Staff – first year

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# BREAK EVEN IN 12 MONTHS BREAK EACH IN 12 MONTHS



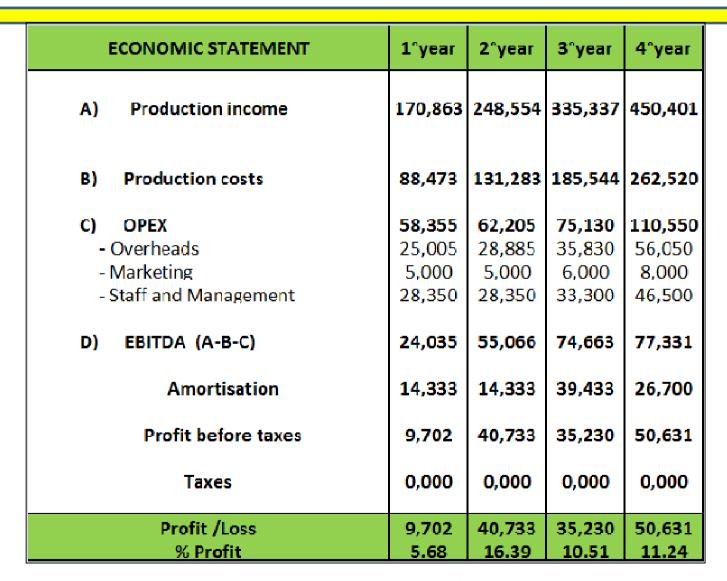
# **Gantt chart**



Activities		Months											
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Cooperative creation and supply chain agreements												
В	Staff selection												
С	Training and assessment of staff												
D	Machinery and equipment; product formula					0000000000							
E	Pilot tests						Ulanconcode	Lillacon to e					
F	Differentiated production												
G	Stability and shelf life tests												
н	Marketing and communication												



## **Economic statement**





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