

The company

Uganda Aromatics was initiated in 2015 in Tororo. The idea is to develop a business while improving the economic, environmental and social aspects in the area.

Uganda Aromatics first started by renting a piece of land to develop a nursery with the right variety of grass. A nucleus farm was created for distributing the planting material to the farmers willing to participate in the project.

The company was first certified Organic with Ecocert. An Internal Control System was set up, managed by Uganda Aromatics to certify all the farmers.

The fair trade certification followed in 2018 according to the Fair For Life standards.

A Fair trade fund committee was elected with a representative of each category of actor of the project : The farmers, the employees and the local community.

Crops and products

The company is committed in growing and processing lemongrass, citronella and palmarosa grass in order to obtain organic and fair trade essential oils for the European market.

2022

PUBLIC SUMMARY

Uganda Aromatics is located in Tororo in Uganda, an eastern African country, called the Pearl of Africa because of its biodiversity of wildlife, water bodies and unique mountains and forests.

In Uganda, agriculture is the main economic activity for food crops and cash crops and Tororo region is a disadvantaged area without reliable cash crops.



Uganda
aromatics



- 34 out growers reached
- More than 132 acres of aromatic crops planted.
- 12 workers employed in plantation and distillation.
- 2 tons of essential oils produced.

Fair trade premium

The Fair trade committee decided to use the Fair trade fund for sinking a borehole and supply water tanks. This water project which was delivered in January 2022 improved access and the use and improved water source in the community and farmers by about 70%.

It reduced time for fetching water by women and farmers. Communities fetch water from the nearby source as farmer harvested rain water from roofs into the tanks supplied.

The project had also had significant improvement in school attendance.



In 2022



2023 objectives :

Uganda Aromatics is willing to develop new high value crops such as Geranium and tea tree that will involve more farmers and improved incomes for both farmers and Uganda Aromatics.

