

## Project Update: June 2013

May and the first 15 days of June 2013 have been characterised by four important activities:

- A meeting of scheduling of the activities of surveillance of the forest by the association of villager's communities located near of the city of Bururi.
- Organised visit in the forest by a group of batwa accompanied by the chief warden of the natural reserve of Bururi to explore together the possibilities to appropriate the non-timber forest products without putting them in danger of disappearance.
- Compilation of all learned lessons in this experience of collaboration and integration of the communities in the protection of the forest natural of Bururi in a document of 20 pages to share them with all partners and colleagues implied in the conservation of the nature.
- Animation of a broadcast emission in radio Isanganiro on the behaviour of the chimps of this forest and their socioeconomic role through the promotion of the ecotourism.

All these efforts of sensitisation succeeded notably to the direct implication of the communities in the operations of surveillance of the forest with the forest rangers and the implication of the authorities of the province of Bururi who, on every occasion don't forget to call to the respect of this forest. Actually, the good collaboration between the territorial administration and the staff of the conservation of the forest of Bururi is mentioned as a remarkable example to duplicate in other regions of Burundi.

