

## Project Update: August 2017

Seven non-mist propagation systems were established in the nursery in Ekona. *G. africanum* and *G. buchholzianum* vines were collected from the wild populations and from the collection established in our research centre. Experiments on adventitious rooting were partially conducted. About 3000 plantlets of African gnetum plants were produced.

Three training sessions on propagator construction, African gnetum conservation, propagation and cultivation were organised. Participants were students from Technical and Agricultural school, extension workers and farmers. The farmers came from the following Cooperatives or Common Initiative Groups: Ekona Vegetable Innovation Platform, Vegetable Cooperative Muyuka, United Farmers and Fako Farmers. Gnetum plantlets ready for field transplanting were distributed to participants. Others training sessions and seedling distribution involving other farmers will soon be organised.

