climate action

Human resilience is inseparable from that of ecosystems.

Acted continued to strengthen its response to the climate and environmental crises as a core part of its humanitarian and development mandate. As climate change increasingly shapes people's lives, livelihoods and ecosystems, particularly in fragile and crisis-affected contexts, Acted supported communities to **protect natural resources, reduce climate-related risks and build long-term resilience.**

2025 marked the final year of Acted's 2021-2025 Greening Strategy, consolidating progress made across its four pillars: Mobilise, Measure, Reduce, and Adapt & Invest. Over the past five years, Acted significantly expanded its climate and environmental programming. The share of the **portfolio dedicated to climate and environmental action increased from 11% in 2021 to 22% in 2025,** bringing the organisation close to its 25% target. This work was structured across four thematic areas: collaborative and resilient ecosystem management (7%), citizen-driven climate action (6%), sustainable infrastructure (6%), and circular economy approaches (3%).

At the same time, Acted strengthened its internal systems for **managing environmental impact**, annual carbon footprinting, and decarbonisation. A bioclimatic construction toolbox was published to promote low-carbon, climate-adapted infrastructure. Staff awareness and behaviour-change initiatives were rolled out globally. Building on these foundations, Acted worked on the development of its **Climate and Environment Framework 2026-2030**. The new framework will deepen operational transformation through the implementation of a comprehensive **Environmental and Social Management System** (ESMS), while scaling climate and environment solutions co-designed with communities, mobilising a wide diversity of actors, and leveraging climate finance to strengthen locally driven resilience.

MOBILISE

MEASURE

REDUCE

ADAPT &INVEST

A landmark achievement in early 2025 was Acted's accreditation to the **Green Climate Fund** (GCF), the world's largest multilateral climate fund. The accreditation recognises Acted's safeguards, standards and capacity to deliver large-scale climate projects in complex environments. Throughout the year, Acted teams mobilised to design its first GCF-funded programmes, building on years of experience in fragile contexts, scaling proven approaches, and working closely with institutions to sustain climate solutions. This marks a major step in bringing climate finance closer to vulnerable communities on the frontline of climate impacts.

At country level,

Climate action is now at the heart of how we design our programs, carry out our activities, and collaborate with our partners. Acted stands alongside communities as they face the effects of climate change to find solutions tailored to each context.

In Sri Lanka, Acted launched its first Blue Economy initiative through the OCEANS programme, supporting coastal and marine ecosystems while improving the resilience of fishing communities. The project combines the restoration of mangroves, seagrass and coral reefs with climate-resilient livelihoods, climate-smart aquaculture and strengthened local governance to protect both ecosystems and incomes along vulnerable coastlines.

In South Sudan, one of the world's most climate-exposed and fragile contexts, Acted started to implement a large-scale EU-funded environmental rehabilitation project. The project links ecosystem restoration with food security and livelihoods, addressing the combined effects of climate stress, environmental degradation and displacement. By restoring productive landscapes while supporting rural livelihoods, the project contributes to context-specific community resilience.

carbon footprint

67,130 TOTAL EMISSIONS (tCO2)

Since 2021, emissions have been reduced by 27% and delivery efficiency has improved. As of 2025, emissions remain 3.5% above Acted's 30% reduction target. This is mainly due to structural factors (aid activities), expanded operations, logistics constraints, and higher data accuracy. To achieve its **50% reduction target by 2030**, Acted will further focus on the main sources of emissions, engagement with suppliers, and projects' decarbonation by design.

-27% COMPARED TO 2021

- **-24%** 3.85kgCO2e per project participant
- **-31%** 167.5kgCO2e per k€
- **+18%** 15.26tCO2e per employees

This increase is due to a reduced number of staff and higher operational intensity.

Acted 2025 carbon footprint is equivalent to:

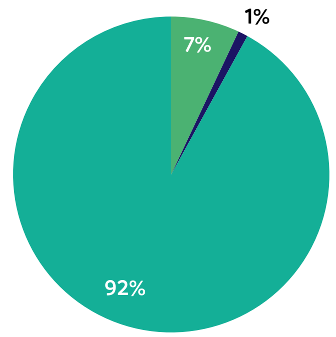
The annual average emissions of **6,850** inhabitants in France

31,136 rounds trips Paris – Nairobi**

UNDERSTANDING OUR FOOTPRINT TO REDUCE OUR IMPACT

TOP 3 EMISSION CATEGORIES IN 2025

Purchased Goods & Services	Energy	Travels
80%	9%	6%



- Direct GHG emissions by Acted (SCOPE 1)
- Indirect GHG emissions linked to Acted's energy consumption (SCOPE 2)
- Indirect GHG emissions, which are not under the control of Acted (equipment, goods, services purchased, etc. (SCOPE 3)

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