A fact-sheet by SUPREMO

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ABOUT

Anchored on the Rwandan hills which stand atop the shores of Lake Kivu, overseeing the Virunga mountains of Congo, the washing station of Boneza looks like paradise on earth. A narrow footpath takes the visitor from the dock, across the plain, to the coffee washing station where dozens of coffee beds rise, well aligned, all the way up to the washing tanks. The atmosphere is serene albeit a sense of a beehive organization going-on and the people of the area can't help but to welcome visitors with a huge smile on their faces. One feels like entering another era, and almost not wanting to leave it after sensing its magic!

This case of Boneza is very representative of Lake Kivu's coffee production scene where washing stations are easier reached by boat than any other means of transportation. The washing stations are all built on hilly slopes, making natural use of gravity to allow water to fill-up soaking tanks and guide the freshly pulped coffee beans across the tanks until they reach the drying stage where they will be gently laid over the African beds.

It is the successful grouping of 4 Coops and their 19'000 smallholder farmers that makes the **Lake Kivu FTO Coffee Cluster** which Supremo is proud to partner with.

QUICK FACTS

- > Full traceability to Coop level
- Multiple Certification schemes
- > Women Groups
- > 19'000 smallholder farmers
- More info on each Coop. in the following pages



For any enquiry:



SOPACDI

Cooperative DR Congo

Mayele ya moto ebandaka na bomwana-A man's wisdom stems from his childhood



WASHING STATION ——— Sopacdi

Latitude, Longitude: ——— 1°42'7"S 29°1'5"E

Altitude: ——— 1470 Meters

Distance to station: Oh10 by road

Participating Farmers: ——— 8865 Farmers

Year Created: 2003

Coffee Variety: ——— Arabica

Grade Kivu 3 (Fully Washed), Kivu 4

(Farm Washed) & Kivu 5 (FW

Triage)

Soil Type: Humo-Volcanic Soil

Average Rainfall: _____ 1000mm - 1500mm

Average Temperature: ____ 25-27 °C

Processing capacity: _____ 250MT of green coffee

Drying Method: — Traditional drying beds











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Injunga y'úrulími inèsha injunga z'îgitèro-Language is better than weapons



WASHING STATION — Boneza, Rutsiro

Latitude, Longitude: 421780, 9801986

Altitude: — 1800 Meters

Distance to station: 1h30 by boat, 2h30 by road

Participating Farmers: 1511 Farmers

Year Created: 2007

Coffee Variety: Arabica

Grades: Fully Washed 15+ & Ordinary 15+ (Farm

Washed)

Soil Type: Volcanic Soil

Average Rainfall: 1200mm - 1300mm

Average Temperature: 18-20 °C

Processing capacity: 250 MT of green coffee

Drying Beds: 248 traditional drying beds















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Ubushíki ni ûbulîbwa -Fraternity is about dialoque, not blood



WASHING STATION — Kabirizi

Latitude, Longitude: ——— 0421788, 9801997

Altitude: — 1800 Meters

Distance to station: 1h00 by road

Participating Farmers: ——— 1012 Farmers

Year Created: 2005

Coffee Variety: ——— Arabica

Grades: Fully Washed 15+ & Ordinary 15+ (Farm

Washed)

Soil Type: Volcanic Soil

Average Rainfall: 1200mm - 1300mm

Average Temperature: 18-19 °C

Processing capacity: ——— 160MT of green coffee

Drying Beds: _____ 185 traditional drying beds











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Umusógongero w'îtsi ni ûmubâno -The world makes no sense without friendship



WASHING STATION — Kirorera

Latitude, Longitude: 421780, 9801986

Altitude: — 1900 Meters

 Oh40 by boat, 1h00 by road Distance to station:

1570 Farmers **Participating Farmers:**

> 2005 **Year Created:**

Arabica **Coffee Variety:**

> Fully Washed 15+ **Grades:**

& Ordinary 15+ (Farm Washed)

Volcanic Soil Soil Type: —

Average Rainfall: 1200mm - 1300mm

Average Temperature: 18-19 °C

100MT of green coffee **Processing capacity:**

> 109 traditional drying beds **Drying Beds:**







