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Sector: Forestry

The opportunity

This is an opportunity to invest in the Cochabamba Project Ltd., a pioneering reforestation project based in Bolivia.

Operation

To undertake a rainforest reforestation programme in the Cochabamba district working in partnership with around 2,000 local smallholders. Investors provide capital and farmers land and labour in return for which profits from the timber will be shared equally.

By participating in the project, smallholders can expect to increase their income from their forested land threefold over the life of the project and benefit from practical assistance to increase yields from the rest of their crops.

The Society will plant native hardwood trees, which will reduce carbon emissions and combine this with conservation works to help combat soil erosion and promote biodiversity.

Constitution

The Cochabamba Project Ltd is an Industrial and Provident Society for the Benefit of the Community.

Investment need

Investment target	£400,000 by 30 th June 2010
Investment thresholds	Minimum £1,000, maximum £20,000
Yield	Expected IRR 7.5% over 5 years
Term	Minimum 5 years
Confidence	Already raised £620,000 through previous share issue
Risk	Challenge of raising sufficient funds on annual basis Potential illiquidity of forestry assets Potential for political instability in a developing country
Social/environmental impact	Sustainable economic benefits for local communities Reduction in carbon emissions Enhanced biodiversity

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