

# Carbon sequestration and food farming at Ibi village agroforestry project, DRC

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Fig. 1 - S1 (08.08.2022-09.13.2022) - Ibi village project takes place 150 km east of Kinshasa

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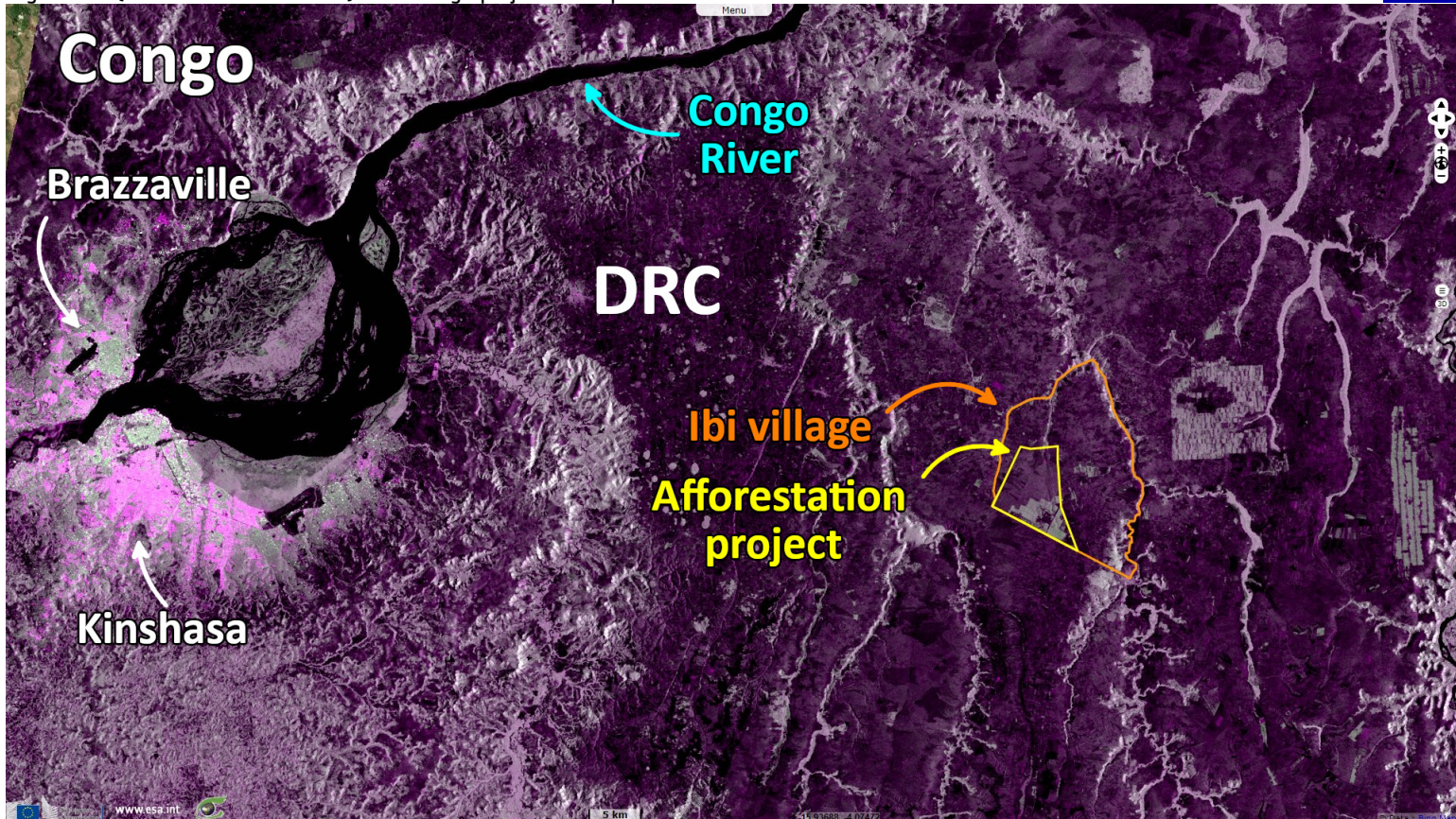
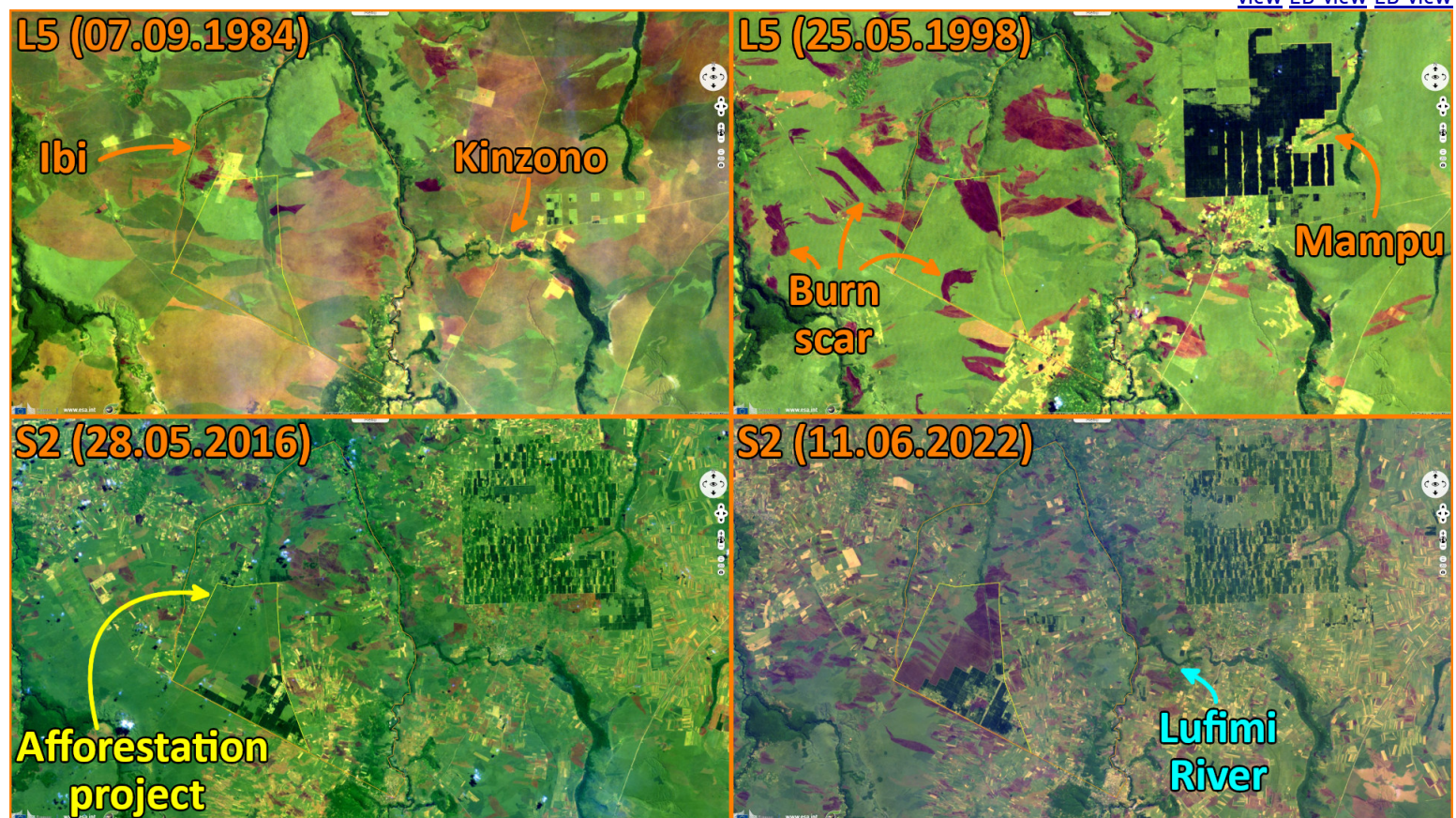


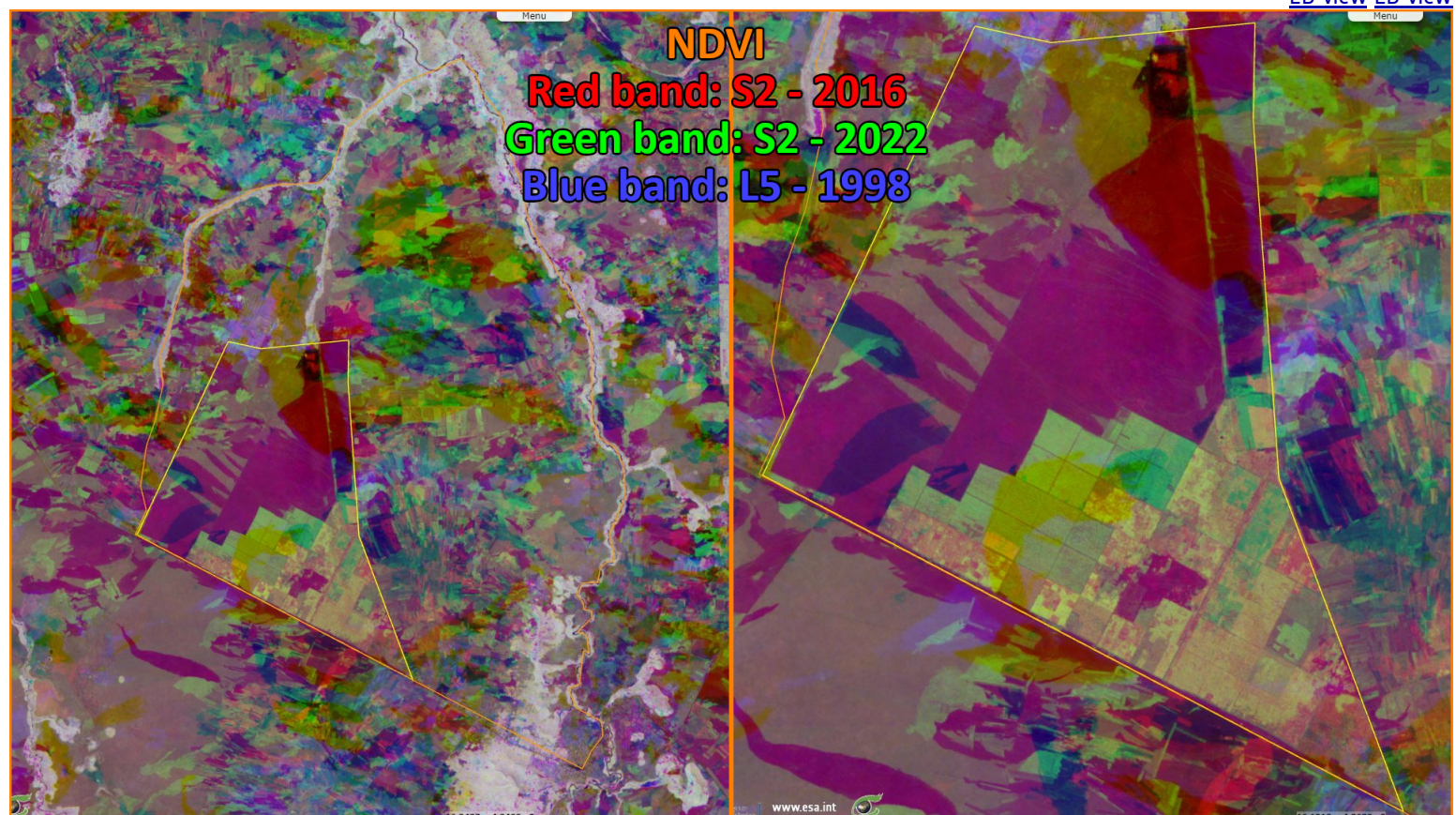


Fig. 2 - L5 (07.09.1984, 25.05.1998), S2 (28.05.2016, 11.06.2022) - They use agroforestry methods to ally food farming & afforestation. [2D view](#) [2D view](#) [2D view](#) [2D view](#)



In the 1980s, a project to develop the land of the Batéké Plateau began, giving priority to social and environmental aspects. The Walloon Region finances the infrastructure from 1998 onwards.

Fig. 3 - L5 (25.05.1998), S2 (28.05.2016, 11.06.2022) - This carbon sink allows selling carbon credits, over 1000 hectares of trees have been planted. [2D view](#) [2D view](#)

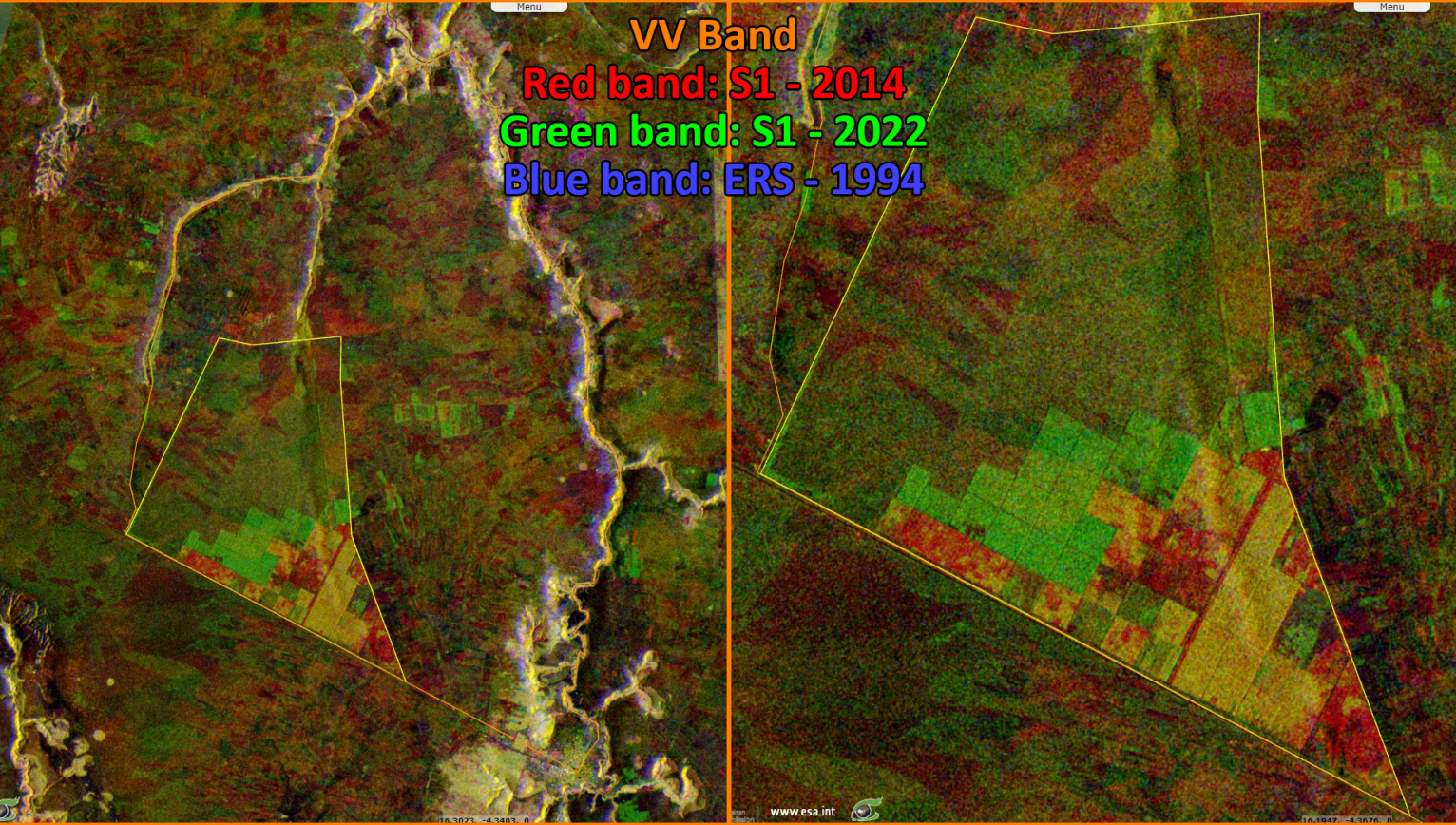


In February 2011, Ibi Village was the first private project in the DRC to be registered as a Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which allowed it to sell carbon credits based on the carbon sequestered in the planted trees.















Fig. 4 - S1 (1994, 2015, 2022) - This project aims at sustainable development with high social and environmental standards.

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Since 2015, partner farmers have been cultivating a plot of land using the agroforestry method. After one year the cassava crops are harvested while the trees continue to grow. After 7 years, when they have stopped absorbing additional CO<sub>2</sub>, they are cut down. They are then transformed into charcoal and sold on the market in Kinshasa.

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