Project Update: June 2012

We carried-out some activities with the communities of "Salviani" and "Pajchanti" for improve the use of the forest, *Polylepis* and *Podocarpus*. Until now, we have performed, in each one:

- One diagnosis about situation current, through interviews structured at farmers.
- One workshop to present the objectives of the project and to assume commitments of work.
- Three workshops to analyse about problems of the forest: fire, agriculture expansion, use of *Polylepis* and *Podocarpus* for wood-fire and wood, and conflicts of use among themselves and other users. This helped to get proposals from them.
- One workshop to determine protected forest areas (250 ha), reforestation areas (10 ha), forest management areas (120 ha), with new rules to use *Polylepis* and *Podocarpus* and other species of native flora and wildlife as well as agreements for control, sanctions, monitoring of resources, and adjustments of the community organisation systems.

