



# Fii Laa Tekkee

Break the cycle of climate migration.

Climate change has initiated a destructive spiral of migration that is weakening the economy, the society, and the culture of many rural zones throughout Africa. Fleeing hardship and hopelessness, men and women indebt themselves and their families to pay the passer's fees, putting their lives at risk with no job prospects even if they survive the journey. Their absence makes life even more difficult for those left behind. The few economic opportunities for women become increasingly competitive and resources are rapidly over-exploited. Climate stress on fresh water, agriculture, and fishing make even subsistence living more difficult. Educational opportunities dwindle, especially for girls.

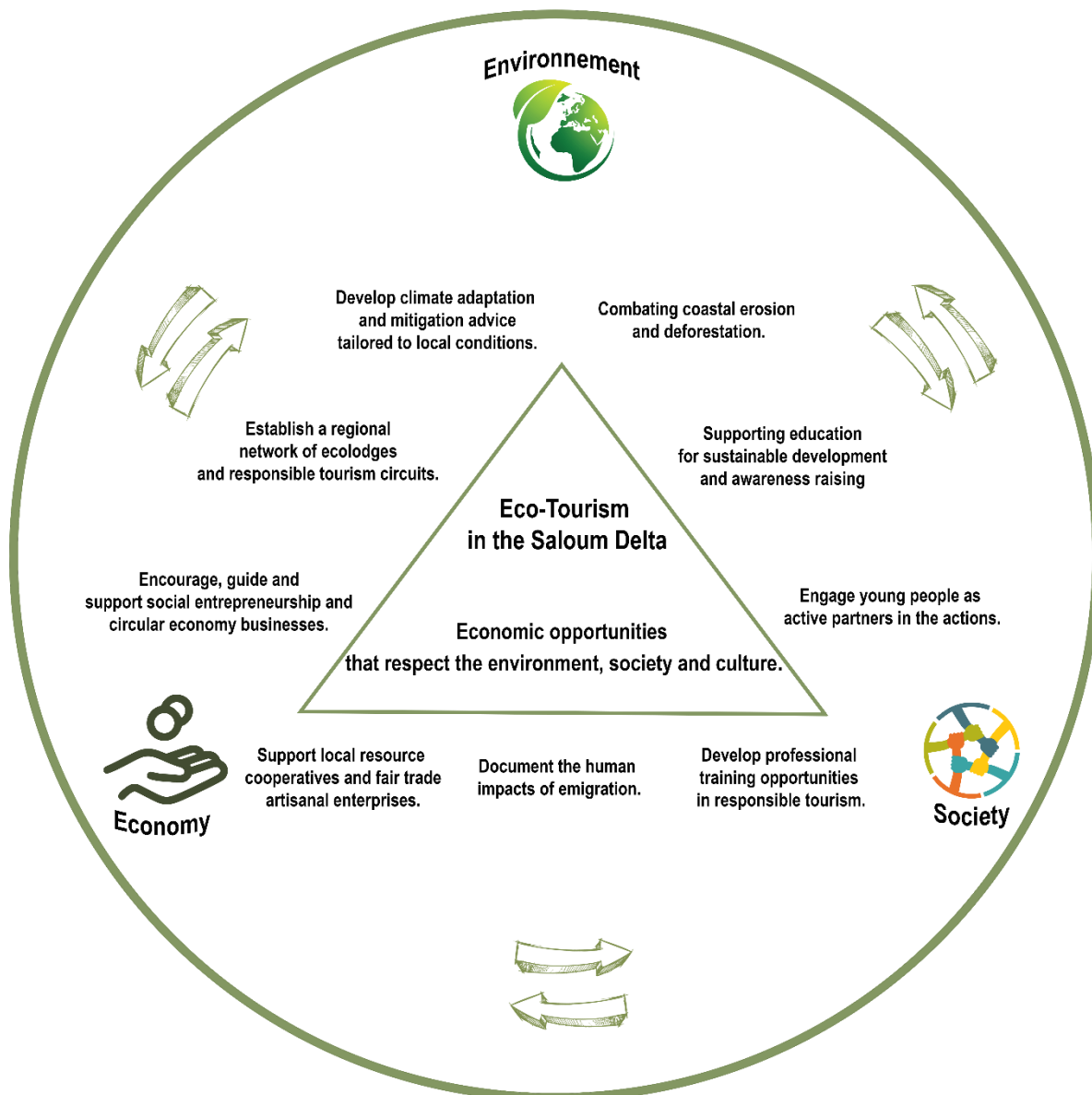
***Breaking this cycle requires coordinated simultaneous actions on all 3 pillars of sustainable development: environment, economy, and society.***

In the Wolof language of Senegal, fii laa tekke means 'I succeeded here'. The Fii Laa Tekkee Association was created by a group of individuals who share a common vision: Rural development that respects the environment, the people, and their culture.

## ***Thinking Globally, Acting Locally.***

FLT serves as a bridge to link international organizations and experts with local authorities, citizens, associations, and NGOs to develop economic opportunities and alternatives to emigration.

FLT focuses its actions around a central theme: promoting eco-tourism in this remarkable region that includes a UNESCO Natural World Heritage Site, a UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Reserve, and a RAMSAR Wetlands Convention site.



### **Legend of the Hummingbird**

The Hummingbird Movement is based on an Amerindian legend. One day, there was a huge forest fire. The terrified animals watched helplessly as the disaster unfolded. Only the little hummingbird was active, fetching a few drops of water with its beak to throw onto the fire. After a while, the armadillo, annoyed by this ridiculous agitation, said to him: "Hummingbird! Are you crazy? You won't put out the fire with these drops of water!" And the hummingbird replied, "I know that, but I am doing my part."

### **Every drop counts.**

Created in December 2021, FLT was inspired by the Hummingbird Movement of French farmer and environmentalist Pierre Rabhi and the OASIS project that helps everyone to do their part for a more ecological and united way of life.

**Please join us. Add your drops to ours.**

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