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The article describes carbon offsetting through the lens of the Makira REDD project in north-eastern Madagascar. The author describes how communities “were being asked to participate in a system that operated on timescales, markets, and legal abstractions far beyond their experience. The forest they knew was being redefined as a global asset” and “offsetting did not arrive as a choice. It came as a future already shaped elsewhere”. Citing offset projects in Tanzania, he explains how carbon offsetting “also allows fortress conservation to be reborn” and concludes that offsetting has revealed itself as a “system that asked forests to stand in for political courage”. A system that converted living landscapes into compensatory space for emissions generated elsewhere. A system that shifted the constraint onto people with the least power to refuse it”. The article is available in [English here](#).