

## **Aviram Rozin**

Aviram Rozin is the Founder and International Director of Sadhana Forest, an international, volunteer-based organization focused on creating long-term food security through environmental restoration. Globally, there are 133 million malnourished people living in arid areas who have private land but are not using it to grow food due to lack of water and agricultural knowledge. Sadhana Forest trains local people in India, Haiti and Kenya in the use of water-saving irrigation techniques and provides them with free seedlings to plant drought-resistant, indigenous, food-bearing trees around their homes. These indigenous food forests are well protected from cutting and animal grazing by their owners. Sadhana Forest won third prize at The Humanitarian Water and Food Awards in Denmark, 2010. Every year the organization's India, Haiti and Kenya centers host and train a total of over 1,500 volunteers, students, and interns from around 50 countries. Mr. Rozin is a member of the Global Restoration Council. He and his family live in the experimental township of Auroville, South India, where their dedication to ecological restoration and their low-carbon footprint lifestyle have inspired many.