Landscape Program

Who we are

IDH, the Sustainable Trade Initiative, is a Netherlands-based, organization that brings together public, private and civil society stakeholders to jointly design and co-finance sustainable commodity production plans that protect natural resources and improve livelihoods.

Where we work

The Initiative for Sustainable Landscapes (Landscape program) of IDH runs programs in Ethiopia, Kenya, Côte d'Ivoire, Liberia, Brazil, Indonesia and Vietnam. The landscape programs in these countries are all in key commodity sourcing areas where sustainability is under threat.

Where we work in Ethiopia

The landscape program in Ethiopia is active in the Central Rift Valley (CRV) region which is one of the fresh water ecosystems with significant economic, ecological and social importance. Among others, large scale floriculture and viticulture farms, livestock fattening and processing companies, irrigated and rain fed smallholder producers, drinking water supply as well as significant number of livestock rely mostly on Lake Ziway and the key interconnected water bodies. Such fast growing economic endeavors that pay little to no attention for environmental and social sustainability are currently putting the landscape under threat.





What we do in the Central Rift Valley (CRV) of Ethiopia

To work collaboratively towards sustainable *production* systems, *protection* of environment and *inclusion* of communities, the landscape program in the CRV currently convenes **public**, **private and civil society stakeholders into a coalition** (**supervisory committee**), facilitates dialogue and shares best practices on **water quality & quantity management**, land degradation and livelihoods. The program is funded by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs with a total budget of € 2 million for the period 2015-2020.

Program goal and exit strategy

By 2020, the IDH's landscape program in Ethiopia aims to have established a public, private and civil society coalition called Ziway-Shalla Sustainability Partnership. governance model that will continue to implement joint actions that ensure sustainable land and water use practices and thriving communities in the landscape.

IDH ISLA Ethiopia-Interventions, activities and Partners

Type of	Type of Projects	Our partners
intervention		
1. Joint actions	1. Global Good Agriculture Practice for smallholders 2. Reforestation and rehabilitation of degraded areas 3. Water Allocation Plan (WAP) 4. Solid Waste Management Pilot Project (SWM)	 Rift Valley Lakes Basin Authority Ethiopian Horticulture and Agriculture Investment Authority Ethiopian Horticulture Producers and Exporters' Association Meki-Batu Farmers' Union Sher-Ethiopia PLC Castel Winery PLC Verde Beef Processing PLC AQ Roses PLC Braam Flowers PLC Herburg Roses PLC Ziway Roses PLC Batu/Ziway Municipality Adami-Tulu Jido-Kombolcha Woreda Horn of Africa Regional Environmental Center/Network
2. Convening	Ziway-Shalla Sustainability Partnership (ZSSP) and Working Groups under ZSSP to be established	Partners mentioned above and additional ones

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