# DECENT WORK FOR WOMEN WORKERS IN ETHIOPIA — EIDHR/2015/371-331





European Instrument for democracy and human rights (EIDHR)

Country-Based support scheme (CBSS) Ethiopia

- ISCOS Marche onlus -Coordinator
- CETU
- ISCOS Emilia Romagna onlus

Location: ETHIOPIA

Amhara, Oromia, Southern Nation, Nationalities and Peoples, Regions

Time frame: 30 Months - 01 March 2016/31 August 2018

# The Project follow the Decent Work Agenda



combine economic growth with social justice and environmental ecology

- The right to employment: the possibility of access for all to productive and fairly remunerated work
- Respect for labor rights and therefore for trade union rights, particularly the right of association and Collective Bargaining
- Social protection (Social Security, Pensions, etc.), income protection and preservation of health
- Social dialogue, to regulate the specificic interests of the main actors in the world of work and to research the possible convergences
  - Gender equality and non-discrimination are considered crosscutting issues for the achievement of this objectives

# Objectives of the project

#### **OVERALL OBJECTIVE**



To promote and support the social participation and the rights of women workers employed in major flower growers, textile and leather/hide processing







#### SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES



Protecting the dignity of women workers

and

Strengthen the capacities of Confederation Ethiopian Trade Unions

in promoting decent work
and
implement gender policies,
with special attention to
Contractual rights, OHSoccupational health and safety,
Social protection and
defense of women workers from
harrassment and sexual abuse



# R1-INCREASED AWARENESS AMONG WOMEN OF THEIR RIGHTS, BOTH AS HUMAN BEINGS AND AS WORKERS

- ✓ At least 360 workers attend to Labor Law, OHS and Gender Policy Courses
- ✓ At least 2.000 women workers attend to Companies' Assemblies
- ✓ 10% increase of membership of women workers to Base Trade Union

# R2-CETU WILL REINFORCE HIS ORGANIZATIONAL AND BARGAINING CAPACITY

- ✓ At least n. 50, among Executives, Cadres and Delegates at regional level, trained and refreshed
- ✓ At least n. 7 Negotiating Tables established
- ✓ Number and kind of company platform agreements drafted and signed

# R3 - LET THE UNION KNOW ABOUT THE REAL WORKING CONDITIONS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS WORKERS

✓ Availability of statistical and qualitative data, by gender, from the Research

### R4-EMPOWER WOMEN AS LEADERS AND MEMBERS OF BASE UNION AND AS PROTAGONIST IN IMPROVING THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE AND WORK

- ✓ At least n. 15 Women's Committee established at company level
- ✓ % of women presence in Base Unions interested by the project reach the level of at least 25%

# R5 - THE CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS, STANDARDS OF HEALTH AND SAFETY, EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE MORE REFLECTED IN ACTUAL WORKING CONDITIONS

- ✓ 30% of the interested Companies applies the rules of health and safety to protect workers and environment
- ✓ 30% of involved Companies introduces the Codes of Conduct
- ✓ Decrease of salary gap between workers women and men
- ✓ Number of women victims of abuses moved to adequate workplaces

## **MAIN ACTIVITIES**

#### For Workers

Implementation of *n. 12 Training Courses* on Contract and Labor Law, OSH and Gender Policy in the workplace (n. 4 for each topic) + *n. 20 Company Assemblies* on the same issue. Establishment and/or strengthening of *n. 15 Women's Committees* within the Company Unions

#### For Executives, Managers and Delegates of CETU

Total of *n. 30 Days of Training/Refreshment/Study* (10 days for each Region) on Decent Work, Gender Policy, OHS, Collective Bargaining, Social Dialogue and Social Protection

#### For Social Dialogue Actors

A specific *Research* to rase awareness of real working conditions of women workers in flowers growers, textile and leather/hide processing firms and creation of *n. 7 Tables of Negotiation* and Consultation at enterprise level

## **ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS**

#### WORKERS' COURSES

Implementation of *n. 14 Training Courses for 429 participants :* 272 Women and 157 Men

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n. 5 on Contr., Labor Law, CBA - Tot. participants 149 w (98 W + 51 M)
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**Oromia**: n. 6 Courses (190 W) - **Amhara**: n. 5 Courses (149 W) - **SNNP**: n. 3 Courses (90 W)

Trainees Company: Tot n. 32: - n. 16 Oromia - n. 11 Amhara - n. 5 SNNP

Companies: n. 6 / Agriculture (45 w) - n. 12 / Flower (177 w) - n. 8 / Leather (52 w) - n. 6 / Textile (155 w)

### Training courses on Contract, Labor Law, Decent work, Bargaining

	N. Workers participants		Trade union member		Age of participants		Employed		Previous training		
	Women	Men	Total	Yes	No	<=35 y	>35 y	Full time	Part time	Yes	No
I Year	34	25	59	48	11	23	36	56	3	20	39
II Year	64	26	90	81	9	50	40	86	4	34	56
Total participants	98	51	149	129	20	73	76	142	7	54	95
%	66%	34%		87%	13%	49%	51%	95%	5%	36%	64%



01 - Labor Law\_Modjo\_27-30 Jun 16



09 - Labor Law\_Hawassa\_31 May-3 Jun 17



13 - Labor Law\_Bahir Dar\_23-26 Jan 18

#### **General training of workers on OHS - Occupational Health and Safety Trade union** Age of **Previous** N. Workers participants **Employed** members participants training Full Part <=35 y >35 y Women Men Total Yes No Yes No time time 26 63 81 9 I Year 64 90 86 4 27 52 38 II Year 41 19 60 53 7 21 56 4 22 38 39 Total 105 45 150 139 11 66 84 137 13 74 76 participants % 30% 70% 93% 7% 44% 56% 91% 9% 49% 51%



3 - OSH\_ Kombolcha\_19-22 Sept 16



6 - OSH\_ Arba Minch \_07-10 Feb17



14 - OSH\_Zeway\_02-05 Apr 18

#### **Training Courses on Gender Policy in the workplaces Trade union** Age of **Previous** N. Workers participants **Employed** training members participants Full Part <=35 y >35 y Women Men **Total** Yes No Yes No time time I Year 15 21 9 6 0 6 15 30 24 30 24 **II Year** 54 46 100 84 16 54 46 97 3 26 74 Total particip. 69 61 130 105 25 60 70 127 3 32 98 % 75% 53% 47% 81% 19% 46% 54% 98% 2% 25%



07 - Gender Policy\_Bahir Dar\_28-31 Mar 17



11 - Gender Policy\_Hawassa\_25-28 Jul 17



12 - Gender Policy\_Zeway\_16-19 Aug 17

## **ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS**

#### COMPANIES' ASSEMBLIES

Implementation of *n. 25 Companies' Assembly for 2.387 participants* 2.060 Women and 327 Men

	N. Women	N. Men	Total
I YEAR II YEAR	971 1.089	141 186	1.112 1.275
TOTAL	2.060	327	2.387

Oromia: n. 17 Companies - Amhara: n. 3 Companies - SNNP: n. 5 Companies

Companies: n. 12 Agriculture-Flower; n. 9 Textile; n. 4 Leather-Tannery

### **ASSEMBLIES - MEETINGS CALENDAR 1st YEAR**

N	Date	Place	Region	Name of Company	Sector	N	I. Workers	i	N. Participants			Participation rate %		
						Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total
1	03 Oct 2016	Zeway	Oromia	AQ Rose	Flower	900	300	1.200	87	9	96	9,67	3,00	8,00
2	04 Oct 2016	Zeway	Oromia	Zeway Rose	Flower	960	320	1.280	76	2	78	7,92	0,63	6,09
3	19 Oct 2016	Nazreth	Oromia	Nazreth Tailor Factory	Textile	950	151	1.101	110	1	111	11,58	0,66	10,08
4	20 Oct 2016	Modjo	Oromia	East Africa Tannery	Leather	42	68	110	35	15	50	83,33	22,06	45,45
5	21 Oct 2016	Koka	Oromia	Ethio Cutting Flover	Flower	458	279	737	75	0	75	16,38	0,00	10,18
6	28 Oct 2016	Hawassa	SNNP	Awassa Textile	Textile	221	584	805	68	25	93	30,77	4,28	11,55
7	28 Oct 2016	Hawassa	SNNP	Green Mark	Flower	250	70	320	83	14	97	33,20	20,00	30,31
8	29 Oct 2016	Hawassa	SNNP	Klaver Flower	Flower	295	225	520	68	42	110	23,05	18,67	21,15
9	26 Jan 2017	Zeway	Oromia	Herburg Rose	Flower	1.080	120	1.200	101	4	105	9,35	3,33	8,75
10	27 Jan 2017	Koka	Oromia	Desa Plant Farm	Flower	385	191	576	98	7	105	25,45	3,66	18,23
11	28 Jan 2017	Zeway	Oromia	Sher Etiopia	Flower	8.500	1.500	10.000	115	10	125	1,35	0,67	1,25
12	11 Feb 2017	Arba Minch	SNNP	Arba Minch Textile	Textile	257	553	810	55	12	67	21,40	2,17	8,27
				TOTAL I YEAR		14.298	4.361	18.659	971	141	1.112	6,79%	3,23%	5,96%



05 - Ethio Cutting Flower\_Koka\_21 Oct. 2016



12 - Arba Minch Textile\_Arba Minch\_11 Feb. 2017



13 - Bahirdar Textile\_Bahir Dar\_17 Apr. 2017

## **ASSEMBLIES - MEETINGS CALENDAR 2st YEAR**

N	Date	Place	Region	Name of Company	Sector	N	N. Workers		N.	Participan	ts	Participation rate %		
						Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total
13	01 Apr 2017	Bahir Dar	Amhara	Bahirdar Textile	Textile	602	804	1.406	57	29	86	9,47	3,61	6,12
14	19 Apr 2017	Modjo	Oromia	Modjo Tannery	Leather	111	148	259	39	21	60	35,14	14,19	23,17
15	20 Apr 2017	Koka/Ajersa	Oromia	Ethiopian Tannery	Leather	250	445	695	59	15	74	23,60	3,37	10,65
16	26 Apr 2017	Kombolcha	Amhara	Kombolcha Textile	Textile	725	883	1.608	72	39	111	9,93	4,42	6,90
17	04 Aug 2017	Debreberhan	Amhara	Debreberhan Blanket	Textile	207	213	420	123	7	130	59,42	3,29	30,95
18	24 Aug 2017	Modjo	Oromia	Friendship Tannery	Leather	918	612	1.530	86	8	94	9,37	1,31	6,14
19	16 Feb 2018	Nazreth	Oromia	PLCY Addis Textile	Textile	560	140	700	89	0	89	15,89	0,00	12,71
20	19 Feb 2018	Debre Zeyit	Oromia	Kanoria Africa Text. PLC	Textile	615	109	724	48	9	57	7,80	8,26	7,87
21	28 Feb 2018	Hawassa	SNNP	Jittu Farm	Horticulture	141	129	270	76	58	134	53,90	44,96	49,63
22	11 May 2018	Debre Zeyit	Oromia	Blue Nile Txt	Textile	500	322	822	154	0	154	30,80	0,00	18,73
23	12 May 2018	Koka	Oromia	Florence Flower	Flower	520	130	650	73	0	73	14,04	0,00	11,23
24	13 Jul 2018	Holeta	Oromia	Ethio Agrisafe	Flower	270	167	437	153	0	153	56,67	0,00	35,01
25	13 Jul 2018	Nazreth	Oromia	Gonda PP	Textile	258	72	330	60		60	23,26	0,00	18,18
				TOTAL II YEAR		5.677	4.174	9.851	1.089	186	1.275	19,18%	4,46%	12,94%



17 - Debreberhan Blanket\_Debre Berhan\_04 Aug. 2017



18 - Friendship Tannery\_Modjo\_24 Aug. 2017



19 - PLCY ADDIS TXT\_Nazreth\_16 Feb. 2018

## **ASSEMBLIES**

N	ASSEMBLIES	١	N. Workers		N.	Participan	ts	Participation rate %			
		Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total	
12	TOTAL I YEAR	14.298	4.361	18.659	971	141	1.112	6,79%	3,23%	5,96%	
13	TOTAL II YEAR	5.677	4.174	9.851	1.089	186	1.275	19,18%	4,46%	12,94%	
25	TOTAL GENERAL	19.975	8.535	28.510	2.060	327	2.387	10,31%	3,83%	8,37%	



20 - Kanoria Africa Txt\_Debre Zeyit\_19 Feb. 2018



21 - Jittu Farm\_Hawassa\_28 Feb. 2018



22 - Blue Nile Textile\_Debre Zeyit\_11 May 2018



23 - Florence Flower\_Koka\_12 May 2018



24 - Ethio Agrisafe\_Holeta\_13 Jul. 2018

Implementation of n. 30 Days of Training / Refreshment / Study for the benefit of about 60 trade unionists and regional delegates

In each of three interested regions - **Oromia, Amhara** and **SNNP** - **a 10-day Training course has been completed** 

- n. 4 days on Contract, Labor Law, CBA
- n. 3 days on OSH at workplace
- n. 3 days on Gender Issue and Social Dialogue

## CONTRACT, LABOUR LAW, BARGAINING

- SNNP: ARBA MINCH 07\_10 November 2017 (Tot. part. N. 20)
- AMHARA: KOMBOLCHA 14\_17 November 2017 (Tot. part. N. 20)
- OROMIA: ADAMA 20\_23 November 2017 (Tot. part. N. 20)

Trainers: Mr. Asnake Demisie (CETU) – Mr. Luigi Lama (CISL Italy)



04 – TU Leaders – Labour Law & C.B.\_Arba Minch\_07-10 Nov 2017



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#### Participants

### **TU Executives and Leaders - OROMIA Courses**

N°	N°	Name Surname	Age	Sex	Study Level	Company	Sector	Base Union Role in Company	
1	3/3	Kadija Sheka Yubie	30	Female	10+3	AQ Roses	Flower	Chairman/Vice chairman	
2	3/3	Alima Jambo	26	Female	10+1	Sher Ethiopian Flower	Flower	Member	
3	3/3	Beredu Seite	33	Female	10+1	Herburg Roses	Flower	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
4	2/3	Tsehay Feji Tesemo	41	Female	10	Braam Flower	Flower	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
5	2/3	Yenenesh Mekonnen	39	Female	12	Florensis	Flower	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
6	3/3	Mesoy Defory	30	Female	BSC	Friendship Tannery	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
7	3/3	Kidan Mulu	28	Female	10	Gelan Tannery	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
8	2/3	Asefa Bedasa	34	Male	8	Sher Ethiopian Flower	Flower	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
9	3/3	Gelane Senbetu Jiru	28	Female	10+3	Kanoria Africa Textile	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
10	2/3	Abebe Begashaw	37	Male	10+3	Modjo Tannery	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
11	2/3	Kidist Damfe	30	Female	10	Ethiopian Leather	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
12	3/3	Shanei Lemawork	19	Male	BSC	Desa Plant	Flower	Chairman/Vice chairman	
13	3/3	Bonsa Guracho	32	Male	10+2	Herburg Roses	Flower	Chairman/Vice chairman	
14	3/3	Abiy Ashenafi Mamo	35	Male	10+3	Ethiopia Cutting flower	Flower	Chairman/Vice chairman	
15	3/3	Gemechu Wakishuma	37	Male	ВА	Red Fox Flower	Flower	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
16	3/3	Abebe Yigzaw Abebe	39	Male	10+1	Zeway Roses	Flower	Chairman/Vice chairman	
17	1/3	Firde Tekilu	50	Male	Diploma	Sher Ethiopian Flower	Flower	Chairman/Vice chairman	
18	3/3	Yidnekacheu Sisay	36	Male	10+3	Friendship Tannery	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
19	2/3	Aberu Bujtuma	31	Female	10+3	Nazhret Garment Share Company	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
20	2/3	Tadesse Moitotai	37	Male	10	Gonde Adama PP Factory	Plastic	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
21	1/3	Tsehai Simega		Female	8	Kanoria Africa Textile	Textile	Member	
22	1/3	Wegene Tilahum		Male	12	Gonde Adama PP Factory	Plastic	Member	
23	1/3	Almats Negash	49	Female	12	Ethiopian Tannery	Leather	Woman Committee leader	
24	1/3	Almaz Silesh	41	Female	Level 4	Nazareth Garment factory	Textile	Chairman/Vice chairman	
25	1/3	Shambel Moges	28	Male	10	Gonde Adama PP Factory	Plastic	Chairman/Vice chairman	
26	1/3	Emebet Eshetu	36	Female	12	Kolba Tannery	Leather	Chairman/Vice chairman	
27	1/3	Yeshi Getahun		Female	10	Braam Flower	Flower	Member	
28	1/3	Gelasie Chikuta	55	Male	8	Modjo Tannery	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor	
	3/3	N° 12	AQ ROSES (1) - HERBURG ROSE (2) - BRAAM FLOWER (2) - FLORENSIS (1) - FRIENDSHIP TANNERY (2) - GELAN TANNERY						
	2/3	N°7	(1) - KANORIA AFRICA TEXTILE (2) - MODJO TANNERY (2) - ETHIOPIAN TANNERY (2) - DESA PLANT (1) - ETHIOPIAN CUTTIG						
	1/3	N°9	FLOWER (1) - RED FOX FLOWER (1) - ZEWAY ROSES (1) SHER ETHIOPIAN FLOWER (3) - NAZRETH GARMENT (2) - GONDE						
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05 – TU Leaders – Labour Law & C.B.\_Kombolcha\_14-17 Nov. 2017



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06 - TU Leaders - Labour Law & CBA\_Adama\_20-23 Nov. 2017



06 – TU Leaders – Labour Law & C.B.\_Adama\_20-23 Nov. 2017

### VISIT to CISL (ITALY) by Ato K. FOLLO and Mrs R. AYELE

#### Program:

- 25\_26 Sept 17: Florence\_ Days of training at the CISL National Studies Center
- 27 Sept 17: Bologna\_ Seminar with Executive Committees of CISL Marche and CISL Emilia Romagna
- 28 Sept 17: Rome\_ Meeting with the Secretary General of CISL, Mrs. Anna Maria Furlan
- 29 Sept 17: Florence\_ Day of training at the CISL National Studies Center



Bologna\_ 27 Sep. 2017\_Seminar with CISL Marche and CISL Emilia Romagna



Bologna\_ 27 Sep. 2017\_Seminar with CISL Marche and CISL Emilia Romagna

## OSH – OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

- AMHARA: KOMBOLCHA 06\_08 December 2017 (Tot. part. N. 19)
- OROMIA: ZEWAY 12\_14 December 2017 (Tot. part. N. 19)
- SNNP: HAWASSA 14\_16 December 2017 (Tot. part. N. 20)

Trainers: Mr. Demis Wendefereu (CETU) – Mr. Alessandro Vicini and Mr. Marco Lai (CISL Italy)



07 - TU Leaders - OSH\_Kombolcha\_06-08 Dec. 2017



07 - TU Leaders - OSH\_Kombolcha\_06-08 Dec. 2017



07 - TU Leaders - OSH\_Kombolcha\_06-08 Dec. 2017

#### Participants

### TU Executives and Leaders - AMHARA Courses

N°		Name Surname	Age	Sex	Study Level	Company	Sector	Base Union Role in Company
1	1/3	Woldy H/Mikael	41	Male	8	Debre Berhan Blanket Factory PLC	Textile	Chairman/Vice chairman
2	1/3	Abebu Delelegn	29	Female	10	Kombolcha Leather	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
3	2/3	Mekasha Said	52	Male	12	Kombolcha Tannery	Leather	Secretary
4	2/3	Lubaba Said	39	Female	10	Debre Berhan Tannery	Leather	Secretary
5	3/3	Kasanshe Tadesse	31	Female	10	Teleje Garment Factory	Textile	Chairman/Vice chairman
6	3/3	Tesfaye Endaleu	47	Male	12	Kombolcha Textile Share Company	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
7	3/3	Negede Arage	52	Male	10+1	Kombolcha Textile Share Company	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
8	3/3	Tsheymashe Seid	45	Female	10	Kombolcha Textile Share Company	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
9	2/3	Dawit Fekadu	35	Male	10+3	Epham PP	Leather	Chairman/Vice chairman
10	2/3	Melika Hassne	32	Female	9	Epham PP	Leather	Chairman/Vice chairman
11	1/3	Demis Habtamu	32	Male	10	Epham PP	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
12	2/3	Emebet Teferì	45	Female	10	Kombolcha Leather	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
13	3/3	Zenebe Seyfu	32	Male	BSC	Debre Berhan Blanket Factory PLC	Leather	Secretary
14	2/3	Seid Mussen	42	Male	6	Kombolcha Textile Share Company	Textile	Secretary
15	1/3	Zinaye Bedru	28	Female	BSC	Kombolcha Leather	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
16	3/3	Agmas Asaif	34	Male	10+2	Telaje Garment Factory	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
17	3/3	Aghamyelesh Tezera	32	Female	10+2	Telaje Garment Factory	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
18	3/3	Kebebusu Ayalehu	56	Female	10	Debre Berhan Blanket Factory PLC	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
19	3/3	Adugna Ementu	51	Male	8	Debre Berhan Blanket Factory PLC	Textile	Chairman/Vice chairman
20	3/3	Berhane Seid	40	Female	12	Debre Berhan Blanket Factory PLC	Textile	Secretary
21	3/3	Beyene Wesene W/Amanuel	55	Male	12	Debre Berhan Blanket Factory PLC	Textile	Secretary
22	3/3	Zewdinesh Ayele	36	Female	12	Debre Berhan Blanket Factory PLC	Textile	Chairman/Vice chairman
23	1/3	Hussine Indries	57	Male	12	Kombolcha Leather	Leather	Chairman/Vice chairman
24	2/3	Serkie Muhye	48	Female	12	Kombolcha Leather	Leather	Secretary
25	2/3	Etalemahu Dinkalem	33	Female	10	Debre Berhan Tannery	Leather	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
	3/3	N° 12	DEDDE		ZET EACTORY /	7) KOMBOLCHALEATHER (6) DEE		ANNERV (2) TELEVE CARMENT
	2/3	N° 08	DEBRE BERHAN BLANKET FACTORY (7) - KOMBOLCHA LEATHER (6) - DEBRE BERHAN TANNERY (2) - TELEYE GARMENT FACTORY (3) - KOMBOLCHA TEXTILE SHARE COMPANY (4) - EPHAM PP (3) -					
	1/3	N° 05			FACIORT (3)-1	COMBOLONA LEXTILE SHARE COMI	- ANT (4) - EPH	AIVI FF (3)-



08 - TU Leaders - OSH\_Zeway\_12-14 Dec. 2017



08 - TU Leaders - OSH\_Zeway\_12-14 Dec. 2017



09 - TU Leaders - OSH\_Hawassa\_14-16 Dec. 2017



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### GENDER MAINSTREAMING AND SOCIAL DIALOGUE

- OROMIA: MODJO 07\_09 June 2017 (Tot. part. N. 19)
- AMHARA: DEBRE BERHAN 30 Aug\_01 Sept 2017 (Tot. part. N. 19)
- SNNP: HAWASSA 19\_21 October 2017 (Tot. part. N. 20)

Trainers: Mrs. Rahel Ayele(CETU) – Mrs. Meseret Shiferaw (KOTEBE University), Mr. Tefera Tilahun (Industrial Relation Prof.), Mrs. Mestawot Adefirs (BOLSA), Mr. Bekele Dadamo (BOLSA), Mrs Woinshet H/Mariam (Ministry of Culture and Tourism), Mr. Kassa Seyoum (BOLSA)



01 – TU Leaders – Gender Issue – Social Dialogue\_Modjo\_07-09 Jun. 2017



01 – TU Leaders – Gender Issue – Social Dialogue\_Modjo\_07-09 Jun. 2017



02 - TU Leaders - Gender Issue - Social Dialogue\_Debre Berhan\_30 Aug-01 Sep. 2017



02 - TU Leaders - Gender Issue - Social Dialogue\_Debre Berhan\_30 Aug-01 Sep. 2017

		Participants		TU Executives and		Leaders - SSNP Courses		
N°		Name Surname	Age	Sex	Study Level	Company	Sector	Base Union Role in Company
1	3/3	Zarfe Hebo	31	Female	6	Green Mark Flower	Flower	Chairman/Vice chairman
2	3/3	Amagnesh Assfa	45	Female	12+1	Arba Minch Textile Factory	Textile	Chairman/Vice chairman
3	2/3	Bekelch Tafesse	48	Female	10+2	Arba Minch Textile Factory	Textile	Cashier
4	1/3	Temegnu Said	36	Male	12+2	Arba Minch Farm Ginnery	Agriculture	Secretary
5	3/3	Degefu Desta	58	Male	10	Abaya Farm Amibara Bus. Group	Agriculture	Chairman/Vice chairman
6	3/3	Aman Mustafà	27	Male	10	Jittu Horticulture	Agriculture	Chairman/Vice chairman
7	3/3	Yehuwalwark Kebede	36	Female	12	Hawassa Textile Share Company	Textile	Secretary
8	3/3	Yosef Moke	39	Male	8	Klaver Flower	Flower	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
9	2/3	Alemayehu Namaro	27	Male	10	Green Mark Flower	Flower	Secretary
10	2/3	Tadios Solomon	49	Male	12	Arba Minch Farm Ginnery	Agriculture	Chairman/Vice chairman
11	2/3	Sileshi Tadesse	46	Male	10	Arba Minch Textile Factory	Textile	Secretary
12	3/3	Berihanu Ejegu	39	Male	10	Sylie Agro	Agriculture	Chairman/Vice chairman
13	2/3	Asmalech Gida	36	Female	10	Arba Minch Textile Factory	Textile	Secretary
14	2/3	Tenagne Mekuria	44	Female	Diploma	Hawassa Textile Share Company	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
15	3/3	Samrawit Kassa	29	Female	BSC	Jittu Horticulture	Agriculture	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
16	2/3	Tirunesh Arega Wolde	31	Female	4	Arba Minch Textile Factory	Textile	Accountant/Cashier/Auditor
17	3/3	Girma Moges	35	Male	12+2	Hawassa Textile Share Company	Textile	Training Officer
18	2/3	Aselefech Birru	29	Female	Diploma	Jittu Horticulture	Agriculture	Chairman/Vice chairman
19	2/3	Aster G./Madinin	35	Female	12	Hawassa Textile Share Company	Textile	Chairman/Vice chairman
20	3/3	Mesaye Ture	22	Female	10	Hawassa Textile Factory	Textile	Secretary
21	3/3	Getachu Tewolde	57	Male	6	Arba Minch Amibara Farm	Agriculture	Chairman/Vice chairman
22	2/3	Zebidar Zekiyos	35	Female	10+3	Abaya Farm Amibara Bus. Group	Agriculture	Secretary
23	3/3	Eywale Waya	47	Male	9	Arba Minch Textile Factory	Textile	Secretary
24	3/3	Akiber Eka	34	Male	10+3	Abaya Farm Amibara Bus. Group	Agriculture	Chairman/Vice chairman
	3/3	N° 13	GREEN	MARK FLOWER	R (2) - ARBA MIN	CH TEXTILE FCT (6) - ARBA MINCH	FARM GINNER	Y (2) - ABAYA FARM AMIBARA (3) -
	2/3	N° 10	JTTU HORTICULTURE (3) - AWASSA TEXTILE SHARE COMPANY (4) - KLAVER FLOWER (1) SYLIE AGRO (1) - HAWASSA					
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# ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Research

## Research on the situation of working women in the Ethiopian flower growers, textile & leather companies

- It represents one of the most important activities as it allows CETU and the Social
  Dialogue actors to have a reliable database and information and therefore a clear
  reference framework on the situation of working women, to plan the proposals to be
  put in place and then overcome the critical issues and problems encountered
- It was implemented by a team composed of 2 Researchers (1 Italian, 1 Ethiopian), the Project manager and 21 Interviewers trained ad hoc
- It lasted 9 months (from April to December 2016): 6 months to interview the workers + 3 months for the data entry and analysis and preparation of the Report
- The 12-page SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE contained 158 questions with closed and open answers on 18 Topics



Hawassa Research – 06\_10 June 2016



Hawassa Research – 06\_10 June 2016

#### ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Research

It involved 500 workers from 20 Companies

Sector	Flower	Textile	Leather	Total
Number of factories	8	6	6	20
Number of women workers	160	120	120	400
Number of male workers	40	30	30	100
Total number of workers	200	150	150	500

Amhara: 3 companies (2 textiles, 1 leather processing)

Oromia: 13 companies (6 flowers, 5 leather processing, 2 textiles)

SNNP: 4 companies (2 flowers, 2 textiles)



**Debrezeyt Research – 28 Sep. 2016** 



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	COMPAN	IES INTE	RESTED B	Y RESE	ARCH		
N°	Company's Name	Sector	Venue	Region	Number of Workers		
					Male	Female	Total
1	KOMBOLCHA TEXTILE	Textile	Kombolcha	Amhara	883	725	1.608
2	KOMBOLCHA TANNERY	Leather	Kombolcha	Amhara	28	15	43
3	DEBRE BERHAN BLANKET TEXTILE	Textile	Debre Berhan	Amhara	213	207	420
4	BAHIRDAR TEXTILE FACTORY	Textile	Bahir Dar	Amhara	804	602	1.406
5	FRIENDSHIP TANNERY	Leather	Modjo	Oromia	612	918	1.530
6	EAST AFRICA TANNERY	Leather	Modjo	Oromia	68	42	110
7	MODJO TANNERY SHARE	Leather	Modjo	Oromia	148	111	259
8	DESA PLANT FARM	Plants	Koka Ejersa	Oromia	191	385	576
9	ETHIO CUTTING FLOWER	Flower	Koka	Oromia	279	458	737
10	ZEWAY ROSES	Flower	Zeway	Oromia	320	960	1.280
11	HERBURG ROSE ZEWAY	Flower	Zeway	Oromia	120	1.080	1.200
12	AQ ROSES	Flower	Zeway	Oromia	300	900	1.200
13	GELAN LEATHER FACTORY	Leather	Modjo	Oromia	28	15	43
14	ETHIOPIAN TANNERY	Leather	Koka Ejersa	Oromia	445	250	695
15	SHER ETHIOPIA FLOWER	Flower	Zeway	Oromia	1.500	8.500	10.000
16	NAZRETH TAILOR TEXTILE	Textile	Nazreth	Oromia	151	950	1.101
17	BLUE NILE TEXTILE	Textile	Debre Zeyit	Oromia	322	500	822
18	GREEN MARK FLOWER	Horticulture	Hawassa	SNNP	70	250	320
19	KLAVER FLOWER	Flower	Hawassa	SNNP	225	295	520
20	HAWASSA TEXTILE	Textile	Hawassa	SNNP	584	221	805
21	ARBAMINCH TEXTILE	Textile	Arba Minch	SNNP	553	257	810
			Total		7.844	17.641	25.485



Nazreth and Koka Research – 30 May\_04 Jun 2016



Nazreth and Koka Research – 30 May\_04 Jun 2016



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#### SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE STRUCTURE

N°	TOPIC	N° QUESTIONS
1	Workforce Structure	15
2	General question about Job	8
3	Wage and Benefit	7
4	Working Hour	12
5	Employment pattern	3
6	Travel to Work	2
7	Labour relationship	4
8	Increase, Promotion and Career advancement	6
9	Rigths at work	30
10	Collective disputes	6
11	Grievance	8
12	Health and Safety	17
13	Accidents at work	2
14	Sickness absence	2
15	Insurance Scheme	5
16	Maternity Protection	11
17	Retirement Scheme	4
18	Discrimination attitude, sexual harassment	16



Arba Minch Research – 22\_26 Aug. 2016



Arba Minch Research – 22\_26 Aug. 2016

#### **RESULTS OF THE RESEARCH**

In order to facilitate the reading of the results two markers were adopted: a numerical indicator where 0 corresponds to the best situation and 100 to the worst situation; and a chromatic indicator: green indicates a less critical situation while red is a more complicated situation.

Company	СВА	Code of Conduct	Written Contract	Salary and allowances	Work hours, days, overtime	Women and maternity
	50	67	100	60	50	77
A						77
В	0	100	100	60	60	85
С	100	67	50	60	50	62
D	0	50	100	60	15	31
E	50	50	50	80	25	77
F	50	83	50	60	45	38
G	0	67	0	80	40	62
н	50	50	50	40	50	46
I	50	67	0	80	35	46
J	50	33	100	40	40	31
K	100	50	50	40	35	23
L	0	50	0	40	50	62
M	50	33	50	40	30	23
N	0	33	50	60	10	77
O	0	67	50	60	40	31
P	50	17	50	40	20	38
Q	50	17	50	0	30	54
R	0	33	50	20	30	46
S	0	50	0	60	30	31
T	50	17	0	20	20	46

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Company	Harassment	Pension and retirement	Health and safety	Trade union	Training	Transport
Α	100	33	44	59	86	33
В	60	67	81	53	57	33
C	60	67	41	41	43	67
D	80	67	75	59	43	100
E			63			
	0	67		41	57	100
F	60	33	66	59	86	33
G	60	67	69	71	57	67
Н	20	67	72	47	71	33
	60	33	34	29	57	67
J	0	33	53	47	57	67
K	0	33	34	29	57	67
L	60	33	22	65	29	100
M	40	67	66	29	57	33
N	60	33	41	29	14	100
0	40	0	53	35	71	33
P	40	0	53	41	57	67
Q	20	67	63	29	43	33
R	40	67	63	29	43	33
s	60	33	38	71	29	33
Т	0	33	53	18	14	67



Nazreth and Koka Research – 30 May\_04 Jun 2016

# ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Research

#### Research on the situation of working women in the Ethiopian flower growers, textile & leather companies

- The Validation Workshop of the Research of women worker's situation was held in Addis Ababa (c/o Hazzeman Hotel) on December 15th 2016. About 140 people were present: government representatives (Ministry of Social and Labor Affair, Ministry of Trade, Ministry of Women, Children and Youth Affairs, Labor Inspectors), Trade Union and Federation Executives, Exponents of the Ethiopian Employers Federation, representatives UNICEF, ILO, EU Delegation, representatives of Civil Society Organizations, Diplomats and officials of some embassies, TV and print journalists, etc. The initiative had a certain echo on the national media.
- The Research Report, initially published in English, has been distributed to the various participants.
   Subsequently, the Report was also published in Amharic and distributed to trade unionist and social dialogue actors.



Addis Abeba – 15 December 2016\_ Validation Workhop on the Research





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#### ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Research

### Research on the situation of working women in the ethiopian flower growers, textile & leather companies

At the following links are available the slides of the presentation and the full text (english version) of the Research

https://iscosmarcheonlus.box.com/s/a6hkap6pf7xv6ia8aguapd8wj3fnqwmu

https://iscosmarcheonlus.box.com/s/jxfs17cu2dmjpqnde58m92wygzhv63bp



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## **ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Women's Committees**

	WOMEN'S COMMITTEES								
N°	Company's Name	Sector	Num	Number of Workers		Presence of Women's Committee and N° of people			
			Male	Female	Total	in the Executive Board			
1	KOMBOLCHA TEXTILE	Textile	883	725	1.608	WC newly established - Executive of 4 women			
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6	EAST AFRICA TANNERY	Leather	68	42	110	WC strengthened - Executive of 3 women			
7	MODJO TANNERY	Leather	148	111	259	WC newly established - Executive of 4 women			
8	DESA PLANT FARM	Plants	191	385	576	WC strengthened - Executive of 3 women			
9	ETHIO CUTTING FLOWER	Flower	279	458	737	WC strengthened - Executive of 7 women + 2 men			
10	ZEWAY ROSES	Flower	320	960	1.280	WC strengthened - Executive of 7 women + 1 man			



Women's Committee \_ Kombolcha Tannery



**Women's Committee \_ Gelan Leather Factory** 



Women's Committee \_ Debreberhan Blanket



Women's Committee \_ AQ Roses



Women's Committee \_ Zeway Roses

## **ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Women's Committees**

N°	Company's Name	Sector	Number of Workers		orkers	Presence of Women's Committee and N° of people
			Male	Female	Total	in the Executive Board
11	HERBURG ROSE	Flower	120	1.080	1.200	WC strengthened - Executive of 10 women + 3 men
12	AQ ROSES	Flower	300	900	1.200	WC strengthened - Executive of 11 women + 1 man
13	GELAN LEATHER FACTORY	Leather	28	15	43	WC newly established - Executive of 3 women
14	ETHIOPIAN TANNERY	Leather	445	250	695	WC newly established - Executive of 3 women
15	SHER ETHIOPIA FLOWER	Flower	1.500	8.500	10.000	WC strengthened - Executive of 4 women
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19	HAWASSA TEXTILE	Textile	584	221	805	WC newly established - Executive of 4 women
20	ARBAMINCH TEXTILE	Textile	553	257	810	WC newly established - Executive of 5 women
		Total	7.522	17.141	24.663	
						Tot. WC newly established = 11
						Tot. WC strengthened = 9



**Women's Committee \_ Ethio Cutting Flower** 



**Women's Committee \_ Herburg Roses** 



Women's Committee \_ Green Mark Flower

## ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Bargaining Tables

The project has opened 9 Bargaining Tables in as many companies.

15,815 is the total number of workers affected by these negotiations: 2,539 Men and 12,276 Women.

# **ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Bargaining Tables**

N°	Company	Sector	Workers	Main specific problems to be negotiated
1	EAST AFRICA TANNERY	Leather	110	Office for Trade Union, Cafe for workers, Satisfactory salary scale, Safety materials appropriate and fulfill and quality
2	FRIENDSHIP TANNERY	Leather	1.530	Salary scale, Safety materials for all, Light work for pregnancy, Annual leave for woman equal to men, Pension procedures to be complete, Rest rooms for night work for women, Safety for machine, Different toilet for women and men, Safety Officer and Safety Committee, At least 3 months of maternity leave
3	MODJO TANNERY	Leather	259	Transport service for all workers, To provide safety materials for all women and men, Salary scale by negotiation with the owner, Light work for pregnancy women, To facilitate the good medical treatment, For appropriate penalties regarding salary, Rest rooming during over night for women workers



**Bargaining Table\_Zeway Roses** 

# **ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Bargaining Tables**

N°	Company	Sector	Workers	Main specific problems to be negotiated
4	ETHIOPIAN LEATHER	Leather	695	Light work for pregnancy women, Appropriate spaces to change clothes and eat, Removal of chemicals near the canteen and changing rooms, Repair and manage toilet and showers appropriately, Provide standard safety materials for all women and men
5	SHER ETHIOPIA	Flower	10.000	Satisfactory salary scale, To build the Day care center
6	GREEN MARK	Herbs	320	To increase the basic salary from 500 Birr to 910 and continues it as working position, Strengthen the Trade Union, Light work for pregnancy women, To provide appropriate OSH device and training, Special treatment for chemical workers, Food service for workers by very low cost, To replace harvest women workers by men due to heavy load carried above 25 Kg

# **ACTIVITIES and OUTPUTS Bargaining Tables**

N°	Company	Sector	Workers	Main specific problems to be negotiated
7	ZEWAY ROSES	Flower	1.280	Contrast to Sexual harassment, Lengthening of the time allowed for breastfeeding, Appropriate OSH device and training even to be quality device, Wage treatment differentiated between experienced workers and new hires, Training courses for the workers, To give serious medical treatment/services, Establish a
8	NAZRETH TAILOR TEXTILE	Textile	1.101	Appropriate spaces to change clothes and rest room, Access to various company Committees and exercise of trade union rights, Workers' permits for participation in training courses, Signature and implementation of the new CBA, Distribution of OSH devices, Well functioning toilets and showers, Scheduling meetings between management and workers to discuss problems.
9	KLAVER FLOWER	Flower	520	Distribution of protection devices and training for their use; Facilities for medical assistance by agreement with the government hospital, Cafe for workers, Satisfactory salary scale.
	3.539 Men + 12.276 Women	Total	15.815	

#### **OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS**

So far we have analized the OUTPUTS, that are the Products/Activities of the project (Trainings, Assemblies, Women's Committees, etc.). Now we will analize:

- OUTCOMES: what did the beneficiaries (Workers, Trade unions cadres, Women's Committees, etc.) do with all they learned and received through the project?
- IMPACT: Changes coming thanks to the project in the situation of beneficiaries (has something changed in the situation of the working women and/or in the unions?)

Many **Outcomes** were included in the ISCOS Annual Reports, but more were established during the evaluation of the external evaluator took place between 1 and 30 July. A list of **OUTCOMES and IMPACTS** was presented and discussed in the final verification **Stakeholders' Workshop** on 30 July in Addis Abeba

#### **OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS**

In a project, **OUTCOMES** and **IMPACT** (in this case beginning Impacts) have primary importance.

Here we will now show just some example of the many of **Outcomes and Impact** that we can find in the Documents, in the Interviews and in the Focus group, collected during the monitoring actions of the project and by the external evaluator, also trough his field visits.

#### Training was important to build self-confidence:

- "I saw them change after learning to negotiate with employers: they are not too shy and they start to understand that they too have rights ..." (CETU legal advisor and trainer).
- The impact determined by the training is the real application of the Law at workplace: the training was able to convey to the workers the knowledge on the Labor Law, but also how to develop a relationship with Management (and sometimes with Labor Inspectors) so that the Law is effectively applied.

It is possible to see in companies that the problems are usually faced in the first instance by the Women's Committee that interacts with the Union, and then negotiates with the company Management. In this way concrete results are obtained. Here are some examples.

- √ Wage increases are now negotiated
- √ The illegal practice of imposing 7 days / work / week has been blocked
- ✓ In 17 out of 19 companies (1 went bankrupt), wage disparity between men and women for the same job roles and positions was abolished

In many companies, the compulsory maternity leave of 3 months was extended to a 4th month

- Except for 1 case, all workers are enrolled in the Retirement system as foreseen by the Proclamation 715/2011
- ✓ In all the companies the workers are free to join the Trade Union
- ✓ Previously the lowest wage was 500 ETBs. Now, thank to negotiations, it is 900 ETB (Green Mark)
- A CBA is operating in all companies: in some cases it has been recently renovated, in others it is in the process of being renewed

In many companies there has been the pressing demand from the Women's Committee and the company Unions to include members of the company Management in the training courses, in order to allow for better industrial relations

# OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS Workers' Training on OSH

- "The training gave us confidence to face the company management, even if sometimes the managers do not listen to us. We want more women (and men) trained to be stronger together "(*GelanLeather*).
- "We always had to ask but after some time it became clear to the management that it has to provide safety devices to all workers, not just women" (Kombolcha Tannery WC)
- In these companies (Kombolcha Txt, Desa Plant, Zeway Roses, Sher Ethiopia, Herburg Rose) a periodic review of the state of health of workers assigned to the use of toxic substances was negotiated by the Women Committees.

# OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS Workers' Training on OSH

- "Thanks to the training in OSH we now have and can use the safety devices" (East Africa Tannery)
- "Now we have personal protection, including warm clothes to work in the cold rooms" (Zeway Roses)
- "Finally we have access to the Health Center: women who have a problem come to us to access it" (East Africa Tannery)
- "Now we have various safety materials such as shoes, gloves, clothing, etc." (Green Mark)

	Company	Protocols and Codes of Conduct adopted
1	KOMBOLCHA TEXTILE	OCOTEX Standards, ENVIRONMENTAL Standards, WATER MANAGEMENT Standards; QUALITY MANAGEMENT System.
2	DEBRE BERHAN BLANKET TEXTILE	For the specific type of production, the company carries out the processing Water treatment
3	DESA PLANT FARM	EPHEA Silver Code
4	ETHIO CUTTING FLOWER	GRASP Code (GLOBALG.A.P. Risk-Assessment on Social Practice). The company intends to join FAIRTRADE
5	ZEWAY ROSES	Silver EPHEA Code and FAIRTRADE and MPS (Milieu Programma Sierteelt or Environmental Programme Floriculture) certification
6	HERBURG ROSE ZEWAY	Gold EPHEA Code and FAIRTRADE and MPS (Milieu Programma Sierteelt) certification (EPS - SQ)

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7	AQ ROSES	Silver EPHEA Code and FAIRTRADE and MPS (Milieu Programma Sierteelt) certification
8	ETHIOPIAN TANNERY	IMS Code (certification for toxic waste disposal and environmental certification + product quality certification)
9	SHER ETHIOPIA FLOWER	FAIRTRADE Code
10	NAZRETH TAILOR TEXTILE	GSV Certification, International Standard Certification, WKAP Certification
11	GREEN MARK FLOWER	GRASP Code (GLOBAL G.A.P. Risk-Assessment on Social Practice) and the NSF Code
12	KLAVER FLOWER	MPS (Milieu Programma Sierteelt or Environmental Programme Floriculture) - ECAS certification

# OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS Workers' Training on OSH

"The positive thing about this project was that OSH in the 3 sectors involved (textiles, leather, flowers) is now at the top of the Agenda. It was a good experience that even in other countries - especially in trade unions - it sees safety and health as priorities. The Italian Trade Unions have supported us a lot ... "(CETU OHS-trainer)

"In fact, I see here and there an improvement in the basic safety in factories, thanks to the training of workers and the joint work between Women Committees and Base Unions. (*Textile Federation President*)

These courses have been particularly useful for Women's Committees for:

- Understanding the concept of equality between men and women
- Acquire trust in their capacity to intervene in difficult and complex situations with company Management (generally male) and with Base Unions

- Substantially, many more women are elected in the Executives of the Base Unions, Savings Circle, Joint Safety Committes, etc.
- In at least 5 companies, a Day Care for infants of working mothers was established.
- Women now know how to turn to the Women's Committees, which in turn involve the Base Unions and the CETU to find solutions to their concrete problems.

Thanks to the training received, the women:

- they are able to help other colleagues to present problems to the company Management and, if necessary, to the Police (for ex. in a case of sexual violence in Zeway Roses)
- have established a Gender Committee which, in collaboration with the Company Base Union and the Women's Committee, has promoted the initiative "Improve your Life here" against the trafficking of human beings in Arab countries (Herburg Rose)

- They are active in awareness-raising on family planning, HIV-AIDS and health controls, etc.
- "Together we have organized a campaign against sexual harassment in the workplace "(*Herburg Rose W.C.*)
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## OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS Assemblies

- "This project has brought about a big change. The Women Committees have built awareness among their members and other workers. Thanks to constant pressure, the company Management is strongly encouraged to comply with the Law. I have seen that women now act on their own: they are motivated, confident and qualified to carry on their rights. This represents a big step forward "(Agriculture Federation President)
- "We have internal regulations that require 10% of our leaders to be women. The Assemblies offered the possibility to promote the election of female candidates (*CETU Legal Advisor and Trainer*)

#### OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS TRAINING AND REFRESHEMENT OF TRADE UNIONIST

"Collaboration with the project leaders and ISCOS trainers was excellent. ISCOS is parallel to us, being part of the unions. We have learned a lot from ISCOS; international exchange is very important to generate new ideas. In 5 flower companies, the project has brought about many changes: Union leaders can now negotiate better with company Management, achieving immediate results. From another point of view, we have more than 200 Basic Unions affiliated to the Federation of Agriculture in more regions. Therefore there is still a lot of work to be done "(Agriculture Federation President).

#### OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS TRAINING AND REFRESHEMENT OF TRADE UNIONIST

- In our country, it is illegal to pay different salaries to women and men with the same job roles and functions. The women's committees and the trade unions consider the companies responsible for this situation: now they pay the same salaries "(CETU Legal adviser and Trainer);
- "All in all, the exchange of solidarity with Italy (ISCOS, Trade Unions) has taught us a lot: direct exchanges that allow you to learn from your peers, sometimes they are much more important than theory." (*Textile Union President*)

#### OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS TRAINING AND REFRESHEMENT OF TRADE UNIONIST

- "Thanks to ISCOS we have learned a lot, even at the CETU level" (CETU President)
- "Thanks to the simple and clear way in which CETU is that Italian trainers have transmitted their knowledge to us, we now know more and can negotiate with the Management" (East Africa Tannery)

#### OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS RESEARCH

- "Research has been an important starting point for us. At the confederal level we did not have such information. We still use it to set up our strategies. There were many short comings we are facing now. We need more." (CETU President).
- "Based on the results of the Research and the project, we want to organize a Special Campaign next year to strengthen women everywhere in the Unions. We have learned that in this way we will strengthen the Union. We are planning Women's Conferences in 2018/2019 throughout the country " (CETU President).

### OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS BARGAINING TABLES

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5	SHER ETHIOPIA	Flower	10.000	Satisfactory salary scale, To build the Day care center
6	GREEN MARK	Herbs	320	To increase the basic salary from 500 Birr to 910 and continues it as working position, Strengthen the Trade Union, Light work for pregnancy women, To provide appropriate OSH device and training, Special treatment for chemical workers, Food service for workers by very low cost, To replace harvest women workers by men due to heavy load carried above 25 Kg

### OUTCOMES and BEGINNING IMPACTS BARGAINING TABLES

N°	Company	Sector	Workers	Content of the signed Agreements
7	ZEWAY ROSES	Flower		Contrast to Sexual harassment, Lengthening of the time allowed for breastfeeding, Appropriate OSH device and training even to be quality device, Wage treatment differentiated between experienced workers and new hires, Training courses for the workers, To give serious medical treatment/services, Establish a Day Care in a short time.
8	NAZRETH TAILOR TEXTILE	Textile	1.101	Appropriate spaces to change clothes and rest room, Access to various company Committees and exercise of trade union rights, Workers' permits for participation in training courses, Signature and implementation of the new CBA, Distribution of OSH devices, Well functioning toilets and showers, Scheduling meetings between management and workers to discuss problems.
9	KLAVER FLOWER	Flower	520	Distribution of protection devices and training for their use; Facilities for medical assistance by agreement with the government hospital, Cafe for workers, Satisfactory salary scale.

The 19 Women's Comittees are one of the most important resources of the project.

- The are a body to whom working women can refer.
- They will convey the problems and look for a solution with the Trade Union and the company Management.
- They will promote meetings and provide suggestions on several issues i.e. health and safety.
- In some instances they will take advantage of the company radio (i.e. Kombolcha Txt) to raise awareness amongst workers.
- The W.C. will take advantage of the aquired skills, such as the bargaining skills, to engage with the managers.
- The W.C. will share with the other working women the skills acquired during the trainings and will support each other in order to participate in the Union's elections......

Some of the Women's Committees members are well placed, even numerically, in the Executive Comittees of the Base Unions

	Name of Company	Composition of Executives Board of Trade Unions
1	KOMBOLCHA TEXTILE	Total 6 members: 5 men + 1 women (17%) (+ 3 Auditors - 2 M +1 W)
2	KOMBOLCHA TANNERY	Total 4 members: 2 men + 2 women (50%) (+ 3 Auditors - M)
3	DEBRE BERHAN BLANKET TEXTILE	Total 6 members: 5 men + 1 women (17%) (+ 3 Auditors - 2 M +1 W)
4	BAHIRDAR TEXTILE FACTORY	Total 9 members: 7 men + 2 women (22%) (+ 3 Auditors - M)
5	FRIENDSHIP TANNERY	Total 5 members, all men (+ 3 Auditors - M).
6	EAST AFRICA TANNERY	Total 5 members: 2 men + 3 women (60%) (+ 3 Auditors -2 M+ 1 W)
7	MODJO TANNERY SHARE COMPANY	Total 7 members: 6 men + 1 woman (15%) (+ 3 Auditors - M)
8	DESA PLANT FARM	Total 5 members: 4 men +1 woman (20%) + 3 Auditors (2 M+ 1 W)
9	ETHIO CUTTING FLOWER	Total 5 members, all men (+ 3 Auditors - M)
10	ZEWAY ROSES	Total 8 members: 5 men + 3 woman (37,5%)

	Name of Company	Composition of Executives Board of Trade Unions
11	HERBURG ROSE ZEWAY	Total 5 members: 4 men + 1 woman (20%) + 3 Auditors (2 men + 1 woman)
12	AQ ROSES	Total 5 members: 2 men + 3 woman (60%) + 3 Auditors (2 men + 1 woman)
13	GELAN LEATHER FACTORY	Total 5 members: 1 men + 4 woman (80%) + 3 Auditors ( 3 woman)
14	ETHIOPIAN TANNERY	Total 4 members: 3 men + 1 woman (25%) + 3 Auditors ( 3men)
15	SHER ETHIOPIA FLOWER	Total 8 members: 7 men + 1 woman (13%) + 3 Auditors ( 3men)
16	NAZRETH TAILOR TEXTILE	Total 5 members: 5 woman (100%) + 3 Auditors ( 3 woman)
17	BLUE NILE TEXTILE	Total 5 members: 4 men + 1 woman (20%) + 3 Auditors (1 men + 2 woman)
18	GREEN MARK FLOWER	Total 5 members: 3 men + 2 woman (40%) + 3 Auditors (2 men + 1 woman)
19	KLAVER FLOWER	Total 5 members: 4 men + 1 woman (20%) + 3 Auditors (3 men)
20	HAWASA TEXTILE	The company has failed

- "We where far from the Management: now we are better equipped" (Gelan Leather W.C.)
- Generally speaking, now Trade Unions (and Women's Committees) are better considered and respected by the companies touched by the project (*Textile Federation President*)
- We are satisfied of the Women's Committees work. In some instances W.C. can be more effective than the Base Unions. We want to expand the establishment of W.C. in other sectors and regions (CETU President)

- "First several women who got pregnant resigned and were not granted maternity leave, but later we managed for them to receive their 3 months leave payment" (Kombolcha Tannery W.C.)
- "We are connected with AQ Roses colleagues with whom we exchange ideas and plan together the things to be done" (Herburg Rose W.C.)
- "Previously pregnant workers had to do heavy work in the field. Now no more" (Green Mark W.C.)
- We achieved a lot of things and are planning more: with Fair Trade money, we have a shop now with 40% discount; we are planning for housing for the handicapped; we are giving more training for newcomers. (*Herburg Rose W.C.*)



**Herburg Rose\_ Factory shop\_** 



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- The project has been subjected to a "Fourth Generation Evaluation" from an independent external evaluator.
- Focus of "Fourth Generation Evaluation" are Interviews and Focus Groups with the stakeholders throughout the process to ensure their participation and learning.
- The stakeholders they are fundamental in this type of evaluation as they negotiate together 'Claims, Concerns and Issues'.

The use of Claims, Concerns and Issues *informing the process of the evaluation*. Practically:

- Consensus from stakeholders on "Good Outcomes" is a "Claim"
- Consensus from stakeholders on "Need of to change something" its a "Concern"
- When the judgments from stakeholders "Differ or are not expressed" we can say there is an "Issue" and there is the need of a further discussion amongst the stakeholders.

The Evaluation took place from 1 to 30 July 2018 and was based on:

- Desk study
- Interviews with CETU and ISCOS (via Skype)
- Conducting Interviews and Focus Groups with almost 60 different stakeholders in Ethiopia (field visit): this is the 'backbone' of the evaluation. (In practice the assessor has visited 7 companies representing of the 19 companies interested by the project (originally they were 20, but 1 failed)
- Drafting of a list of Outcomes and Impacts and then drafting of Claims, Concerns and Issues (CC&I)
- Final validation workshop with 20 Stakeholders, held in Addis on the 30th of July last.

From the final Seminar with the Stakeholders on the 30th of July the following '*Claims*, *Concerns and Issues*' emerged.

#### **CLAIMS**

- The Outputs of the project even exceed the 'promised' outputs in the original project document in all categories.
- Many Outcomes were included in the annual reports, but more were established during the evaluation.
- On top of that we have detected many Beginning Impacts, which is quite rare after only 30 months of a project: mostly in this phase only Outcomes can be seen.
- Women's Committees are in their great majority functioning well and have become a trustworthy spokesperson for the women in the 19 companies of the project.

#### **CLAIMS**

- The 14 different **Training Courses** on Gender, OSH, Labour Law and Bargaining suited the needs of the Committees and Base Unions very well. This is shown by the high amount of Outcome (people mainly the women are working on a day to day basis with the acquired knowledge and skills) as well as the many forms of Impact, after only 2,5 years.
- The 9 Special Training courses for CETU Cadres gave a high contribution to the understanding of the project by Union cadres and Management. The indicator therefore is the support Womens' Committees receive regularly from different layers within the Trade Union (CETU).

#### **CLAIMS**

- The 25 Assemblies held in companies reached all together 2060 women and 327 men and contributed to the motivation of (women-) workers to communicate their issues with the Women's Committees and Base Unions.
- The Strategy of the project (starting with a thorough Research (in 2016) is well received, especially within the Union, shown by the fact that the Research report is still used to inform Union strategies.
- The International cooperation and solidarity between ISCOS and CETU worked well in a practical way: exchange of views was very fruitful and a learning experience.

#### **CONCERNS**

- Because of the use of foreign trainers, good translation became an issue. For an extension of the project this can become a problem because there is a lack of qualified translators.
- In a few instances, Base Unions and Women's Committees reported that support from the CETU was not always directly adequate, due to scarce staff in the Union.
- Some Women's Committees indicated that it is difficult to deal with Management if those are not responsive. A solution might be to include Management in the training sessions; now sometimes Women's Committees better know the Labor Laws than the Management...

#### **CONCERNS**

- Generally speaking, transport of (women) workers is a big issue in many companies: if harassment takes place it's mostly during commuting to the workplace.
- The generally speaking very low salaries for (women) workers (especially in the export sector like the rose farms) are a plight for the workers. Unfortunately, the establishment of a minimum wage has not come further yet, due to changes in the Government. This is CETU's number one issue for the coming year.

#### **CONCERNS**

- In some instances, Management does not allow Union activities, e.g. training within work time. This is a continuing struggle, even leading to Court cases sometimes
- Although there are successes in some companies, others still refuse to organise pregnancy check-ups, light work for pregnant women, a 4<sup>th</sup> month of maternity leave and space and time for breast feeding babies. Day care is still a dream in many companies (only 5 companies have it and some are considering it). And Day care brings about the problem of transport of mothers and babies in some cases. However, this is an issue to keep on fighting for.

#### **ISSUES**

(To be further taken up by the Organization)

This project being an 'example project', the (efficiency) issue arises how to implement it in the (thousands of) other companies where CETU is active. Probably a next project can benefit from the 'Training of trainers' approach, where at the same time more women trainers can be trained.

It was agreed during the Stakeholders meeting to consider this issue seriously in a follow-up project.

#### **ISSUES**

(To be further taken up by the Organization)

During the field visits, **Sexual harassment** was mentioned very few times, while in the Research report (from 2016) it was mentioned much more often. Is it so that this has changed, or do either the report or the field visits yield the wrong information?

As discussed in the Stakeholders meeting for a future research this is an important research question.

#### **ISSUES**

(To be further taken up by the Organization)

The process used by EU for the management of these projects is very cumbersome and therefore not very efficient. It sometimes leads to too much stress in the implementation.

Of course, it will be (too) difficult to change EUregulations (as was discussed in the Stakeholders meeting). May be with support of the EU delegation some leeway can be found.

# **OUTCOME MATRIX**

Nr.	Company	Women's Committee	OHS - Training	Gender Policy Training	Labor Law Training	T.U. CETU- Training	Assembly	Negotiation
1.	Kombolcha							
	Textile							
2.	Kombolcha							
	Tannery							
3.	East Africa							
	Tannery							
4.	Gelan							
	Leather							
5.	Zeway Roses							
6.	Herburg Rose							
7.	Green Mark Herbs							
Note:	Nrs. 1-7 visited	; rest from Mo	nitoring Repor	ts				
8.	Debre Berhan Blanket							
9.	Bahirdar textile							
	Legend							
	Only Output		Beginning Impact					
	Output + some Outcome		More Impact					
	Considerable Outcome		Not known					

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Nr.	Company	Women's Committee	OHS - Training	Gender Policy Training	Labor Law Training	T.U. CETU- Training	Assembly	Negotiation
10.	Friendship Tannery							
11.	Modjo Tannery							
12.	Desa Plant							
13.	Ethio Cutting Flower							
14.	AQ Roses							
15.	Ethiopian Tannery							
16.	Sher Ethiopia							
17.	Nazreth Textile							
18.	Blue Nile Textile							
19.	Klaver flower							
	Legend							
	Only Output		Beginning Impact					
	Output + some Outcome		More Impact					
	Considerable Outcome		Not known					

# 1. Strategy of the Project

The strategy of the Project can full-hearted be qualified as successful: the combination of Research (also base-line), establishment of Women's Committees, Training, Seminars for CETU cadres, Assemblies, Social dialogue and ongoing support through the CETU 'layers' worked and can really be replicated in later extensions of the project.

## 2. Training

The training as organised together by CETU and ISCOS more than fulfilled its function: apart from passing on knowledge it was in practice an eye-opener for the trainees, who now could hold their Management responsible to obey existing laws, and even more, successfully bargain for (among others) better working conditions and salaries.

# 3. The Seminars / Platforms for CETU

The Seminars/ Platforms were successful: they contributed highly to understanding in the (predominantly male) CETU organisation of the objectives and positive results of the project. This way Women's Committees can now also appeal to the whole CETU organisation through the appropriate channels.

## 4. Women's Committees

This is the greatest asset of this project: Women's Committees in the 19 companies have become a 'force on its own', that is to say the active women have an intrinsic motivation to move on beyond the limits of the action itself, which is the determining factor for sustainability of actions of this kind. Of course, there is always the danger of 'turnover', where women change jobs, also because the training they received. This is however inherent to capacity building as such, and in its turn, contributes to the propagation of the spirit of the action.

## 5. Bargaining Tables and Social Dialogue

This aspect of the project could probably in the future be developed further: the Negotiation Tables that took place were successful to a high extent in bringing improvements (Beginning impact!) for the women (and not only them) in the companies, but the 'sigh' for training of the Management in almost all visited companies is also telling: 'now we know more than the Management'. In a future project this need could be better researched and somewhere incorporated in the project.

## 6. Relevance

In a low-wage country like Ethiopia, where the average female worker earns 30 Euros a month (less than the official UN poverty line of 1.25 USD a day) the need for actions to provide decent work and decent payment for women workers is obvious.

## 7. Effectiveness

The project was highly effective in terms of strategy, reaching outcomes and more (beginning) impact than can be expected in 2,5 years of the lifetime of the action.

# 8. Efficiency

For this pilot-project the efficiency was more than sufficient. However, the administrative burden of the action could be less, and is something to find leeway for in the future. Also, efficiency-enhancing measures (like 'train the trainers') should be considered in future (extension) projects.

## 9. Sustainability

The intrinsic motivation (not only in the Women's Committees, but also in CETU as a whole) to 'claim your rights' is the best guarantee one can get for sustainable projects: also without a follow-up action these women in the 19 targeted companies will go on with their struggle for better working conditions. However, a pilot project like this, successful as it is, automatically entails the challenge of extension towards the other thousands of companies where women work under the same circumstances.









# We thank all those who have worked and contributed to the success of this project!