

The main goal of EMPLOY project is to promote the socio-economic development in the region of WOLAITA, a rural area of Southern Ethiopia, through the creation of job opportunities, especially for the younger generations. Due to the current situation more than 700.000 Ethiopians have to flee their country every year, and more than 20% of them are very young (under 15).

We want to ensure the Ethiopian youth a future inside their country, in order to end the forced migration.

EMPLOY wants to be a pilot initiative, lasting 21 months, based on different action lines, fostering local development through methods of integrated and participated planning, from the bottom, with the active involvement of local communities.

The action will involve 100 rural villages dislocated in 5 districts in Wolaita area, Region Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples' Region (SNNPR), in Etiopia.

The final beneficiaries of the entire project will be about 500.000 inhabitants of the region.

More than 800 young persons and local experts will be trained to become, in their turn, trainers able to convey knowledge about agricultural techniques, organization and management of cooperatives and associations, market access, microcredit management and micro enterprises creation.

Above 20.000 farmers of the 100 villages will be trained and assisted by "new trainers" to enhance agricultural techniques, income and occupational opportunities.

Main project activities

Technical training in the agricultural sector for a production improvement in the value chain of vegetables, fruits, cereals and honey.

Socio-organizational training for the strengthening of local cooperatives for a more structured market approach.

Support and advocacy actions in collaboration with the local institutions to promote better agricultural policies.

Microcredit supply to sustain the existing economic entities and to create new ones.

Training about the use of financial and credit instruments for the market access of local actors.

International exchange of good practises between Italy and Ethiopia.

Project implemented by:



CEFA – Comitato Europeo per la Formazione e l'Agricoltura Onlus (Capofila)

www.cefaonlus.it



WODA – Wolaita Development Association

www.wolaittada.org



CCCA – Comitato di Collegamento di Cattolici per una Civiltà dell'Amore

www.civiltadellamore.org



SuggestAid – Aiutare lo sviluppo difficile

www.suggestaid.it



ANSPC – Associazione Nazionale per lo Studio dei Problemi del Credito

www.anspc.it



Ente Nazionale per il Microcredito

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