
Annual report 2022



We love trees

Women from the Shebedino women's cooperative are proudly showing the growth of last year's planting

2022 – A good year all in all, despite some adversities

We were able to continue to work normally in the three regions of Amhara, Oromia and Sidamo that were not affected by the war and successfully produced around 10 millions of seedlings, of which

9.48 have been planted and survived the first months of drought

This number matches approximately the quantity produced last year. As there are also unrest in the Oromia region, it was difficult for us Swiss (whites people who are often easily recognized as Americans) to visit all zones. But our staff in the Addis Ababa office, as local people, had access to all the reforestation areas.

A partial drought – then a good and late rainy season

Ethiopia is a big country, and when you can read or hear in the media that there are droughts there, it doesn't mean that all regions are affected. This year is no exception. Terrible droughts, dying cattle and a starving population were mostly observed in the South and South-East of the country. Our area in Sidamo was also slightly affected. Women from the local female organisation had made the reforestation preparations in time. Rain came with some delay, but in a good quantity, which enabled us to start the planting activities.

We are grateful for everything we could do for the environment and people in Ethiopia during the year 2022. We are however very sad that we no longer have the contact with our partners in Tigray.



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A look back with many thanks to all

Thanks to the people in Ethiopia

It all depends on the people, when something is to be improved in this world. And this is why we are extremely grateful that we know and can collaborate with people in Ethiopia who share our vision of a better environment. And we do understand that these people, living in the shadow, are dreaming about a better future. Yes, we do understand that they no longer want to remain spectator of people who, in other parts of the world, are living in abundance and luxury.

We thank these people that they help us to improve their food and living conditions by working together with us on our project. Yes, such people will not end up on European shores as unwanted refugees. They have a future there, where they are home and where their ancestors are.



Thanks to the women in tree nurseries, thanks to the families of farmers for the planting

They were again around 3 000 people, mostly women and some landless young people who produced around 10 million seedlings in 40 tree nurseries on a full or part-time basis. To produce means to care for and look after the seedlings for 6 to 8 months. I have a high respect for these women who are carrying out important work with exceptional results– without complaining or moaning.

We would also like to thank the more than 10 000 farmers and farmer’s families who prepared the reforestations on mountains slopes and planted and protected the seedlings during the rainy season. While women in tree nurseries are fully paid, we require from the farmers on the mountains that they partially work on a voluntary basis. This is because they will later be the beneficiaries of the forests.



Thanks to the people in Switzerland and Europe

It is the generous support from people in Switzerland and increasingly from Europe which enables us to realize our projects. In a highly competitive donations market, we can count on the loyalty of many donators. In addition to institutional sponsors, there are private people supporting us - in some cases with large contributions. There are also older people, not able to draw on their full resources but still sending us donations in an admirable way. I am very thankful for this valuable and kind support and company. I thank you for the money donated and for the trust in our foundation.

A very warm thank you also goes to our Board of trustees. They contribute to the success of our foundation in a valuable way thanks to their benevolent and critical collaboration. All of this on a voluntary basis without any compensation.



Foundation Green Ethiopia

Kurt Pfister, January 2023

An overview of 2022

9.48 million trees planted

Tigray

Unfortunately, due to the war in 2020, no planting was possible also in 2022.

All phone and internet connections have also been cut, so that we cannot contact our long-term partners anymore. We learn from the media that aids deliveries could finally reach Tigray again after the ceasefire agreed in November.

Picture: aids delivery in 2017



Oromia

We continued our afforestations in seven Woredas (districts) in the Oromia region and we produced and planted a total of **3.9 million forest trees as well 346 000 fruit trees and 144 000 coffee trees**

in 2022. Both seedlings production and planting have been carried out by women's group and landless young people.

Picture: planting day in Dukem, youth group.



Amhara

South from the famous Semiens Mountain (biggest mountain range in Ethiopia) and in the water catchment from Lake Tana (outflow in the Blue Nil), we planted a total of

3.1 million forest trees and 25 000 fruit trees

Picture: planting day in Sekela



Sidamo

The approximately 260 members of the Dara women's cooperative in the area of Sidamo planted

1.8 million forest trees as well as 63 000 fruit trees and 50 000 coffee trees.

in 2022. Because of droughts issues, we put a stress on the planting of false-banana.

Picture: a women from the Dara's cooperative is taking care of false-banana seedlings in her garden.



The number of trees mentioned above are rounded. To see precise figure, see page 7.

Reforestation is only the start of the cycle trees – forest – water – food – life!

Other projects

Water

Forests are storing and filtering water and the ground water level increases. This in turn enables the construction of wells providing water for people, animals and plants – even during the dry season. We realized **6 spring catchment wells**, two **deep wells** and **20 hand water pumps**.



Support to women

In the Sidamo project area we helped the Dara women's cooperative in the fight against hunger by giving them **false banana rootstocks** as well as **vegetable and oil seeds**. This means an important step toward self-sufficiency for these women households.



Donkeys for women households

Thanks to numerous donations for donkeys we were once again able to donate a total of **230 donkeys**

to single women. On the left picture: donkeys in Dukem, on the right one in Weliso. One can recognise on both pictures the reforested hills in the background where the women who received a donkey worked.



Food situation and living conditions

Supporting the cultivation of vegetable and fruit does not only improve people's food situation but also enables them to earn some money. Women are often using this income to send their children to school.



These activities are in accordance with the article 2b of our foundation deed « ... support to Ethiopian agriculture to ensure local food security on the long term »

Projects « reforestations »

Goals of reforestation

The main aim is to fight against erosion through the reforestation of hills and mountains slopes with mainly endemic species. Reforestation also aims to improve food and living situation of rural populations. As a compensation for the reforestation work, we offer the farmers a support in the production of vegetables and the cultivation of fruit trees.

Once again this year, we cannot emphasise enough the great benefits of forests:

- **Protecting the crops** against further erosion and protecting fields at the foot of mountains slopes and hills from destruction by run-offs during the rainy season. In the forests, a precious humus layer builds after a short time and will constantly be improved through undergrowth, leaves and grass.
- **Storing and filtering water falling during the rainy season.** Months after the rainy season, clean water rises to the surface in springs, steams, ponds and at the foot of mountains. It can then be used by men, animals and for field irrigation. Ground water level also increases, enabling the construction of wells.
- **Favouring the micro-climate.** Trees and forests are cooling down the atmosphere. They absorb CO2 and significantly contribute to improve the climate within a few years only.
- **Biodiversity enrichment** through a thriving fauna and flora. We are told every year which new wild animal settled down again and how plants we thought we had forgotten are growing and blooming again.
- **Benefits of agroforestry.** Mixed forests are offering a great nectar supply to the bees, which enables farmers to practice beekeeping at the edge of the forest. Farmers are also planting in many of « our » forests an organic and highly coveted wild coffee. Furthermore, the grass growing in the forest can be used by the farmers to feed their cattle (cut + carry) or cover their huts.
- **Construction, fire and furniture wood.** After 10 years, farmers are allowed to “harvest” the first trees for construction, fire and later furniture wood.

These numerous benefits from trees are extremely important for sustainability. This is how population recognizes the importance of forests and protect them.



A sumptuous forest in Weliso, Oromia region

Mixed 6 years-old forest with a rich biodiversity

Picture taken in October 2022, by Mr Misigan, employee in our office Addis Ababa

Overview of reforestations 2022

Reforestation areas	Forest trees	Fruit trees	Coffee trees	Total trees
Tigray region				
Adwa Woreda, many hills in outside communities	0	0	0	0
Laileymaichow Woreda	0	0	0	0
Gulamakeda Woreda	0	0	0	0
Axum, church area	0	0	0	0
Sub-total Tigray region	0	0	0	0
Oromia region				
Adaa Woreda, 5 hills, areas	403'442			403'442
Akaki Worda, Dukem, the whole hill range Boreto	583'233	36'757		619'990
Weliso Woreda, several hills around Weliso	495'000	153'140	121'200	769'340
Gimbichu Woreda, 6 areas	267'300			267'300
Liban-Zuqala Woreda, several hills	506'600	74'000		580'600
Arsi Dodota Woreda, 3 hills	419'503	30'948		450'451
Arsi Ziway Dugda Woreda, 3 hills	542'405	34'338	23'280	600'023
Arsi Hetosa Woreda, 4 hills	453'011	15'000		468'011
Arsi Tiyo Woreda	193'062	2'451		195'513
Ambo University, center for indig. trees	47'925			47'925
Sub-total Oromia region	3'911'481	346'634	144'480	4'402'595
Amhara region				
Libokemkem Woreda for the Yves Rocher Foundation	1'081'972	5'842	158	1'087'972
Libokemkem Woreda for Ecosia GmbH	1'073'740	3'695		1'077'43
Libokemkem Woreda for Green Valley	987'248	15'410	145	1'002'803
Sub-total Amhara region	3'142'960	24'947	303	3'168'210
Sidamo region				
Dara Woreda, 3 hills Loka Abaya Woreda, 2 hills Shebedino Woreda, 1 hill	1'803'734	63'379	50'000	1'917'113
Sub-total Sidamo region	1'803'734	63'379	50'000	1'917'113
Total of the four regions	8'858'175	435'045	194'698	9'487'918

**A very sad reality
after 20 years!**

Comments:

- A total of 1 416 hectares of forest area has been reforested.
- This corresponds to a planting density of 6 255 plants per hectares, fluctuating from around 10,000 seedlings in very heavily eroded areas to the normal average of 2,500 plants per hectare.
- It is important to note that some of the seedlings were planted as « agro-forestry » measures in the fields or around the farmer's houses. These so-planted trees are included in the above statistics but no hectares data are provided for them as they do not constitute reforestation areas.

Our tried and tested steps in the reforestation process

1. First step: discussion and definition of responsibilities



Mr Getachew, ORDA, meets with farmers from the Sekela farming cooperative. Definition of the responsibilities for all the participants from seedlings production and preparation of reforestation areas in the mountains to the planting and protection of forests for the years following the reforestation

Photo: Simon Pfister during a project visit in July 2022 in the Amhara region

2. Second step: seedlings production



Seedlings production in tree nurseries. For 4 to 6 months, seedlings are cared for and nurtured until they can be transported and planted in the mountains before rainy season starts.

Photo: Woman in the Gimbichu women's tree nursery

3. Third step: preparing for the afforestation in the mountains



Preparations on the mountains. Terraces, water ditches and planting holes need to be dug in order to provide optimal growing conditions for the seedlings.

Photo: Famers doing preparatory work in Takern, Libokemkem, Amhara

4. Fourth step : transport of the seedlings



Transport of the seedlings to the afforestation areas

Starting from the tree nurseries, seedlings are first carried by vehicles and then on the back of donkeys. For the last part of the way in the mountains, seedlings are carried on the shoulders/heads of the farmers.

Photo: loading of seedlings in the tree nursery of Dukem, Oromia region

5. Fifth step: planting



Planting day

2 or 3 weeks after the start of the rainy season (July), when planting holes are well-soaked and the soil waterlogged, the planting can start.

Photo: farmers in Aada before the planting begins.

Sustainability of afforestation

The many benefits of afforestation and forests are the main guarantee of their sustainability. When farmers receive a benefit, they take the responsibility for the forests. And as they are directly involved in the project, they do not only care for them but also aim to continue 'their work' and develop it further on, for example by keeping bees or growing vegetables. Another relevant point is that the beneficiaries must make their own contribution to the project. We believe in the adage "what costs nothing is worth nothing" and require the farmers to be involved in the project's work.

Protecting the forests and other critical aspect of reforestation

The protection of forest by guardians is very important after the afforestation. Our experience shows that the biggest danger is cattle intrusion in the forest. Especially in young forests, seedlings can be damaged (trampled or eaten). To avoid such a situation, we agree on protective measures (by-laws) with farmers or pay guardians.

Fruit and coffee trees

Besides forest trees, we also intentionally support the growing of fruit trees. There is a significant interest among the population, which is good, as fruit are important for their health. They also represent an additional source of income for many women. The species produced and planted are papayas, mangoes, avocados, oranges, limes and guavas.



Photo: mango tree next to other fruit trees like papaya in a forest garden in Sidamo



Coffee is first used for domestic consumption but is then also an important source of income.

Fruit and coffee trees are growing in forest gardens with various vegetables being cultivated in between.

Photo: on the left, a farmer in Libokemkem. On the right, a farmer in Shebedino, Sidamo.

Water projects

Again this year, we financed two so-called « shallow wells » in Weliso, with which water is pumped from a 70m depth. Both wells have been installed on two school grounds so that the pupils can have water. The photo on the bottom right shows how these wells are used – not only by the pupils.



We have installed a total of 30 manual water pumps in the afforestation zones of Amhara and again in the women’s projects of Sidamo (picture above)

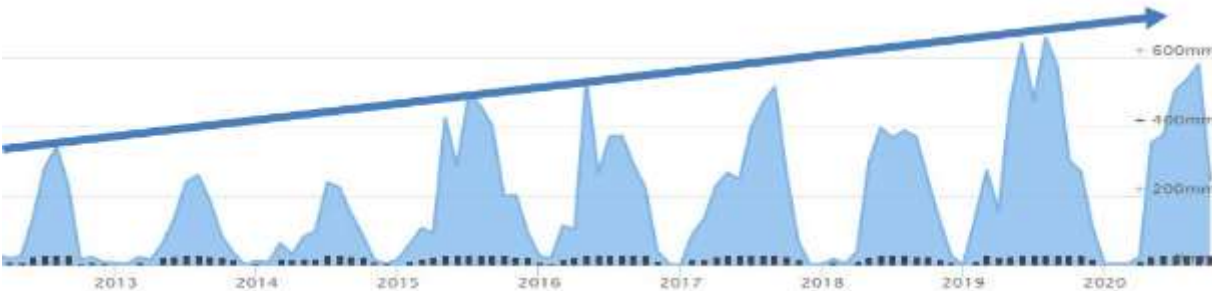
Women of the Dara women’s community were particularly active. They built several wells in order to catch and store the water coming from the forests.

We financed the necessary cement as well as the daily wage of the masons who carried out the skilled labour.

Women and children will therefore be able to collect water directly from the pipe and no longer from dirty puddles.



This picture from our afforestation area “Dara” shows how rainfalls are rapidly and significantly increasing thanks to forests. Picture from the internet.



Project « support to small farmers – women empowerment – donkey”

Goals

Women empowerment, improvement of food situation and living conditions of poor farming families, relieving women of heavy carrying work through donating donkeys.

This project was originally a project to support small farmers living in poverty. However, we focused more and more on groups of young and women. There are many landless young people to whom we want to give a meaningful job. Likewise, there are many single women on their own (so-called “women-households”). They are widow of war or AIDS, women from polygamous marriages, single mothers or simply just women left by their man who went to the city, hoping to find a job there. We are ensuring these women the necessary initial aid in order to support their own crops and generate some income through the sale of their products.

In 2022, a severe drought with famine hit South and East Ethiopia. Our project area Dara-Sidamo was slightly affected. The women from the Dara’s women community requested us in time to help their employees to be prepared for famine risks. This is what we did - by the way very nicely supported by two organizations. We provided the following assistance:

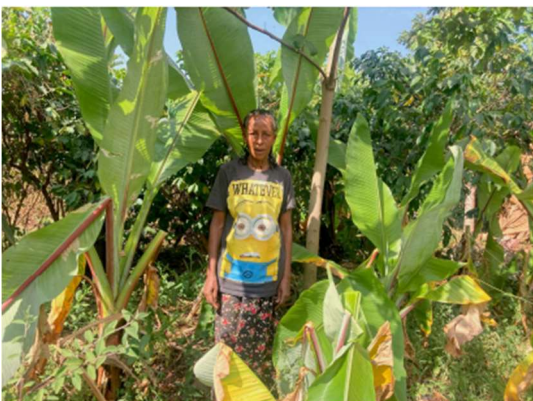
- delivering false bananas rhizomes
- financing oilseeds and vegetable seeds
- delivering beehives
- building manual water pumps, as described in the precedent chapter



Delivery of false bananas rhizomes to the women in Dara



Popular sunflower seeds - oil



High-yield home garden of a Dara woman



The precious sugar cane

Specific goals of the donkey project – 230 donkeys

The donkey project is a secondary project with a primary humanitarian character. Single women on their own receive a donkey which enables them and their children, mostly girls, to be relieved from having to carry heavy loads, sometimes over long distances. The beneficiaries are selected within the village communities in collaboration with the agricultural office and receive training and instructions on how to look after and care for the donkeys. We always hear during meetings with such women how donkeys are a blessing for them.

Donkeys are only handed over after the women have received instructions about their responsibilities in looking after them.



Adaa,

In the office of the livestock officers, women are instructed and trained about their duties concerning the handling of the donkeys (feeding, shade, maximum loads, veterinary service, etc.).



Dukem – donkeys for women

Here too in the background the hills range which the beneficiary women were involved in reforesting.



Weliso

Women from Weliso are handed over THEIR donkey. In the background, one can recognize the forested hills which these beneficiary women helped to reforest.

Sustainable benefits:

Women empowerment projects, including the donkey project, are particularly sustainable for several reasons. First, as this support is enabling women to better feed their family and simultaneously earn some money, they are getting very interested in the continuation of the project. And is there anything more sustainable as when women can send their children to school! Whether by paying school fees, uniforms, school material or because children can go to school instead of carrying water and other loads on their back. However, it should be noted that our contributions to this women empowerment project are not given for free. All the beneficiary women, without exception, need to work voluntarily on the afforestation projects.

Critical assessment

Both we and the beneficiaries are very satisfied of the project. So far, we have not make any bad experiences. Only the price for donkeys slightly increased, maybe also because donkeys are bought by the Chinese to be transported to China for human consumption. A disturbing and sad evolution!



If there was an award for animals, I would give it to the donkeys of this world, those loyal, modest fellow travellers and helpers for millions of peoples.

Kurt Pfister

Project: “schools”

Goal:

Teachers at school are passing on knowledge and experiences about the great value of an unspoiled nature to their pupils. Children will receive theoretical instruction and for the practical one we give them the opportunity to grow an orchard in which they do not only have to take on responsibility (care) but can also harvest the fruits.

Measures and results

Additionally to funding meals at the Dara’s school, we also focused on other schools in Weliso which, next to the lessons in the classrooms, carry out many teaching in the school garden. We were thus again able to reach more than 2 000 pupils in three further schools.



Weliso

A teacher with her pupils is going to plant fruit tree seedlings in the school ground



Amhara, Libokemkem
Outdoor class in natural history



Weliso

Mr Challa with his pupils on a visit of a sample tree-nursery within the framework of the natural history class, thus familiarising the pupils with seedlings production.

Sustainability

What is more sustainable than providing an education to young people and therefore making the growing generation aware about the utility and importance of forest trees, fruit trees, water collection, nutrition and nature and letting them be part of its prosperity !



Children of our earth have not destroyed the environment.
But if we do not help them to take care of it, they will be the one to suffer.

Kurt Pfister

Fundraising

Despite of a certain insecurity resulting from acts of war in Ethiopia, our donors remained loyal to us. This constant support, even in these difficult and uncertain times, is exceptional!

Once again, we have been supported by our main sponsors in a very valuable way. In addition, we also received the support from new sponsors who are regularly donating within the framework of the “1%-for-the-Planet” action and also new significant donations from firms and private people from abroad. Again, we benefited from hundreds of donations from private people who generally please us with annual, monthly or spontaneous payments over the years or in the meantime between two decades. In order to facilitate us office work and spare postage costs, more and more donors are reaching us understanding that we are only communicating with them electronically. We are grateful for this. We spare paper and postage costs.

We owe the great and lasting success of our projects to our donors. Many thanks.

Partnerships with the three following sponsors are the main pillars of our activities:



Partnership since 2009 with the Yves Rocher Foundation, Paris

At present, annual afforestation of 3 million trees.

The Yves Rocher Foundation is a foundation of the French cosmetics group YVES ROCHER, whose products we can only warmly recommend here



Partnership with www.ecosia.org.

In 2022, Ecosia supported us once again with the afforestation of 4.8 million of trees.

Use Ecosia as your search engine and help planting trees



... « the man of the forest » - and his wife

We would particularly like to thank the couple who, with great financial commitment, funds our reforestations of around 1 million tree per year. The reforestations are complemented by helping farmers to improve their living conditions.



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All these new ideas of donation and payments are enabling us to expand our afforestation to new areas and regions. We can only warmly recommend firms to adopt the great 1%-for-the-Planet action. We are also still offering

CO2 offsets to fight against climate change
And we naturally appreciate each leg.

Foundation’s bodies

Leadership of the Foundation/Foundation Board

Next to the statutory business, the foundation board also takes strategically, organisational and personal decisions. Above all, it decides for which funds are to be used for which project. Business was discussed during 5 meetings, 3 of which were held as video conference. In order to replace the co-founder Irene Pfister who, due to the ZEW regulations, had to leave the Foundation Board, Mrs Nicole Fritschi has been chosen to enter the Foundation Board.

Foundation Board, composition of the term of office 2021 – 2023, valid from October 2022 onwards.



Kurt Pfister
president

Foundation leadership



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Vice-president and leadership
of the project committee



Pr. Beat Beutler

Fundraising
Projects



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Fundraising
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Nicole Fritschi

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(since october 2022)



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Voluntary activity of the Foundation's bodies in Switzerland

The foundation's board and the manager are working on a voluntary basis without compensations. Experts are being paid within the framework of their expenses.

Activities of the Foundation's management in Switzerland

The operational management is Dr. Simon Pfister's responsibility. Apart from administrative and accounting tasks, the foundation's management is responsible for projects and fundraising. Annual and financial reports are written in English and French, public relations material partially in English and in French in addition to German. A temporary commercial employee is also supporting the management with administrative tasks.

Aftercare of the main sponsors is becoming more and more expensive. In addition to annual and quarter reports, they are constantly expecting information about the project progress and geo data.

The project responsibility also includes regular visits in Ethiopia. For the first time since 2020, two of such project trips were carried out in 2022. It was however impossible to have access to all projects because of troubles happening in the Oromia region.

The leading of the administrative office in Addis Ababa is the director's responsibility.

Activity of the project committee

The project committee usually meet prior to the foundation board's meeting and process the project applications. Then, it submits proposals to the Foundation Board about the evaluation of the applications.

Activity of the compliance officer

He follows the business activity regarding the adherence to all legal regulations, ZEWO instructions and the compliance with the Foundation's regulations.

Activity of the Addis Ababa office

The office in Addis Ababa is registered as an Ethiopian branch office of our Foundation. It bears the responsibility for all contacts and reports to the Ethiopian governmental and local authorities. This include the writing of annual financial statement for the attention of the official audit company. The office in Addis Ababa is responsible for handling the payments to the project partners, periodically visits the project areas and reports on audit results.

Audit:

PwC, Winterthur

Federal Supervisory Board for Foundations:

Federal Department of Home Affairs, Federal Supervisory Board for Foundations, Bern

Supervision in Ethiopia:

Charity and Society Agency, Addis Ababa
Ministry of Forestry, Environment and Climate Change MoFECC

Annual financial statement

The detailed and verified annual financial statement will be published after the audit, from around May 2023 on the homepage and can also be obtained at the office (info@greenethiopia.org or +41 52 23 31 15 31)

We are all in all very satisfied with this year. Even though the donations income did not reach the one from last year, there are reasons for this difference. First, for the last two years, we had an income from a legacy of 561 260 euros for both years. Then, we also changed the billing system with Ecosia in such a way that the sums paid earlier in December now only arrive in January. See the following pages for details and explanations.

		2022 EUR	2021 EUR
Balance sheet at 31.12			
ASSETS			
Cash, bank and postal account		1 300 222.98	1 632 873.94
Transitory assets		0.00	0.00
Withholding tax assets		0.00	0.00
Current assets			
Total assets		1 300 222.98	1 632 873.94
LIABILITIES			
Outside capital			
Accruals and deferrals, project commitments, short-term liabilities		148 137.57	440 188.58
Restricted earmarking funds		0.00	0.00
Fund capital		505 512.00	505 512.00
Total outside capital		653 649.57	945 700.58
Organisation capital			
Share capital		200 600.00	200 600.00
Free capital generated		486 573.364	259 257.928
Annual result		-40 599.95	227 315.44
Total organisation capital		646 573.41	687 173.36
Total liabilities		1 300 222.98	1 632 873.94
Operating account from January to December			
		2022 EUR	2021 EUR
OPERATING INCOME			
Donations, contributions	1)	1 530 550.31	1 913 709.41
Total operating income		1 530 550.31	1 913 709.41
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Project « Tree nurseries and afforestations Tigray »	2)	0.00	-140 383.50
Project « Tree nurseries and afforestations Oromia »	3)	632 057.31	581 015.09
Project « Tree nurseries and afforestations Amhara »	4)	508 690.32	378 336.68
Project « Tree nurseries and afforestations Sidamo »	5)	132 187.58	141 742.86
Project « Water collection, pumps, dams, etc »	6)	58 375.75	30 318.12
Project « Schools »	7)	41 135.94	35 952.16
Project « Women empowerment, small farmers, donkeys for women	8)	112 789.06	66 827.12
Others, new projects, not-directly attributable project costs,	9)	34 288.21	20 382.56
Fundraising costs	10)	11 468.40	12 189.85
Administrative costs Ethiopia	11)	8 030.47	3 349.88
Administrative costs Switzerland	12)	21 813.09	20 795.29
Audit and supervision		4 184.01	3 022.39
Total operating expenses		1 565 019.7	1 153 548.51
Operating result		-34 469.39	760 160.89
Financial result		-6 130.57	-27 333.45
Fund change	13)		-505 512.00
Annual result	14)	-40 599.95	227 315.48

Comments on the annual financial statement are on the next page

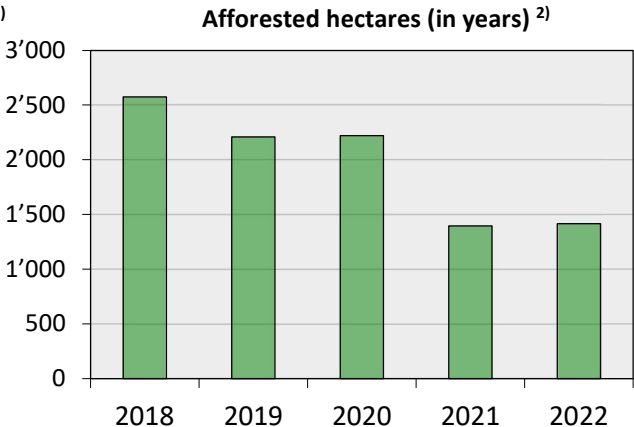
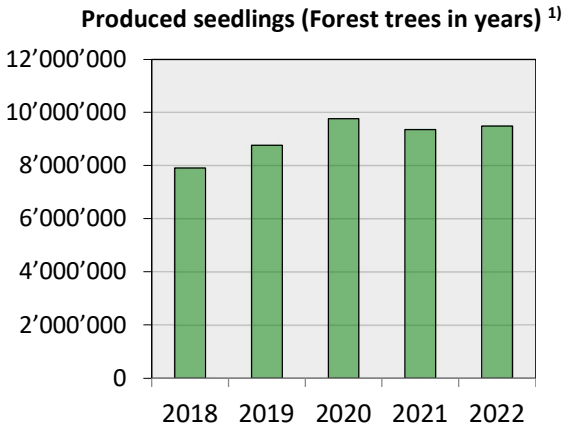
Comments on the annual financial statement

There are two main reasons which can explain the result of 2022 compared to the great result from last year. We did not have an exceptional income through a legacy (250 867, 42 euros last year) and one of the missing payment of 130 000 euros from a sponsor will only be paid in January 2023.

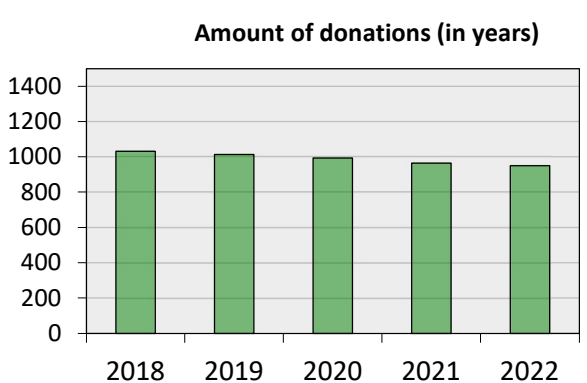
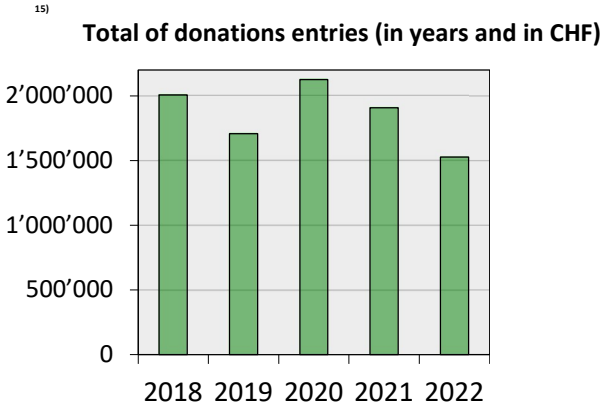
- 1) Income from the contributions and donations : four main sponsors, the Foundation Yves Rocher, Ecosia GmbH, a firm from France participating in the 1%-for-the-Planet program as well as a private couple with a 6-figure annual contribution took part with over than 699 860 euros to almost 50% of the income. Two exceptional donations of 129 974 euros from a foundation were particularly pleasant. In addition, we received contributions from organisations and increasingly from corporate donations, also for CO2 compensation. All in all, 846 donators contributed to the annual result with a total of 1 180 donations. Among private donations, the spectrum varies from 20 euros to a very gratifying 10 000 euros per year. We are also grateful for the contributions – in some cases considerable – from many parishes. Reasons from the decline in donations compared to last year are: no legacy income and a delay of a main sponsor payment (payment in January instead of December).
- 2) “afforestations and tree nurseries Tigray »: we could not implement any project because of the war.
- 3) “afforestations and tree nurseries Oromia »: expenses are within the multiannual average, previous projects were further developed. Only in Weliso, a new project area was taken under contract.
- 4) « afforestations and tree nurseries Amhara »: we recognized a new area (Sekela) and signed a new contract. Contracts have also been renewed in the previous area.
- 5) « afforestations and tree nurseries Sidamo » expenses are in line with the multiannual average.
- 6) « water collection » we did not build any dam but rather financed 20 manual water pumps and some wells for spring and ground water collection in the Amhara and Sidamo regions.
- 7) “project schools”: in the tree project regions, we co-financed the training material needed for theory and practical lessons in the course “natural history” for schools on our reforestation areas.
- 8) “support to small farmers, women, donkey for women”: we continued the proven and humanitarian very important donkey project. One of the key aspect was the delivery of seeds for oilseeds, root vegetables, etc. in the area threatened by famine of our Sidamo project. We also delivered material (presses, mills) to minimize losses when harvesting crops.
- 9) “other projects”: we paid salaries to long-standing partners in Tigray for watchers and project employees.
- 10) “fundraising costs”: once again, these remain very low and minimal. We are proud to spend so little on fundraising.
- 11) “administrative costs Ethiopia”: the employment of an additional employee (project expert) on a part-time basis and his equipment with computer and phone caused some additional costs.
- 12) “administrative costs Switzerland”: costs are in line with the multiannual average and are, again, very low with 1.5% of the total costs. Altogether, administrative costs for Switzeland and Ethiopia as well as fundraising and audit expenses are amounting a sum of de 46 350, 73 euros. This corresponds to around 3% of the total cost. We are pleased to work with such low administrative costs.
- 13) Fund: the funds created last year remained untouched. There was no new fund set up.
- 14) We are sticking to our principle to invest donations and contributions in projects and not to spare them. The minimal loss of 40 470.42 euros are not a problem regarding the prosperity of our foundation.

Statistical dates

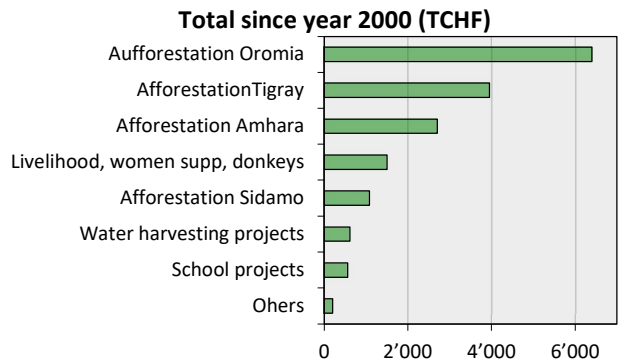
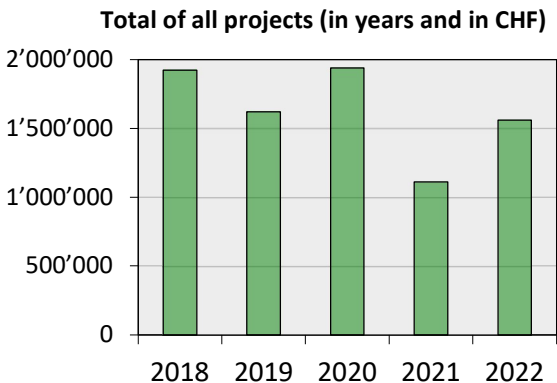
Afforestation



Evolution of contributions and donations



Cumulated project expenses



1) In addition to forest trees, fruit and coffee trees are also produced and have been only included in these statistics since 2021.
 2) Only afforestation areas are counted in these statistics. Seedlings planted at farmer’s sites or in fields used for agroforestry do not result in hectares, which is why areas do not correlate with the number of seedlings produced. The amount of fruit and coffee trees and the one planted as hedges (agroforestry) was higher in 2021, therefore resulting in fewer afforested hectares.

Our thanks for the end of the year

Thanks to our donators

We thank again our donators for their great loyalty and support. We invested the funds entrusted to us sparingly and effectively. We are pleased that the work done is increasingly bearing fruits, fruits in the shape of trees, forests, water, harvests, vegetables and a great gratitude from the beneficiaries.

Thanks to our partners in Ethiopia.

On behalf of thousands of women and men, we mention here our main contact persons. These are:

Oromia's project



Mr. Ebrahim
Head of four project-Woredas in Arsi-Highlands



Mr. Ketema
Natural resources manager
Aadaa Woreda



Mr. Tesfu
Natural resources manager
Akaki Woreda, Dukem



Mr. Seyum
Natural resources manager
Chefe Donsa Woreda, Gimbichu



Ms. Mesb,
Natural resources manager,
Liban Zuqala Woreda



Mr. Lemma,
Head of the Weliso Youth Development
Association

Projects in Sidamo and Amhara



Ms. Ruhama
Head of the Dara Women Development
Association



Mr. Nebyiu
General Manager of the Dara Women
Development Association's
afforestation projects



Mr. Getachew
Program director at the Organisation
for Rehabilitation and Development
Amhara Region

Overview 2023

To ensure the continuity of our projects, we signed contracts for the production and plantation of

10 millions of tree seedlings

over the year 2023. These contracts are planned for 3 regions so far,

- Oromia
- Amhara
- Sidamo

knowing that we are ready to continue immediately in Tigray as soon as the peace treaty signed in autumn 2022 shows sign of success and the communication is possible, as well as our agriculture offices and all our former employees can resume work.

Partners in afforestation areas of 2023 are still highly motivated and preparations in the tree nurseries already started in October-November this year.

Trees – Forests – Water - Food – Life

People in our afforestation areas know about the benefits of reforestation.

Climate is improving, nature and the environment recover, forests are economically and ecologically valuable. They are the best water reservoirs. Water for people, animals and plants. Thanks to the benefits of forests, people find a new hope for a life in dignity on their ancestral lands.



Foundation Green Ethiopia
Kurt Pfister, President of the Foundation Board

Bank accounts for donations:

- Migrobank, IBAN CH22 0840 1016 8031 8430 6
- Postal account, IBAN CH61 0900 0000 9073 7866 1



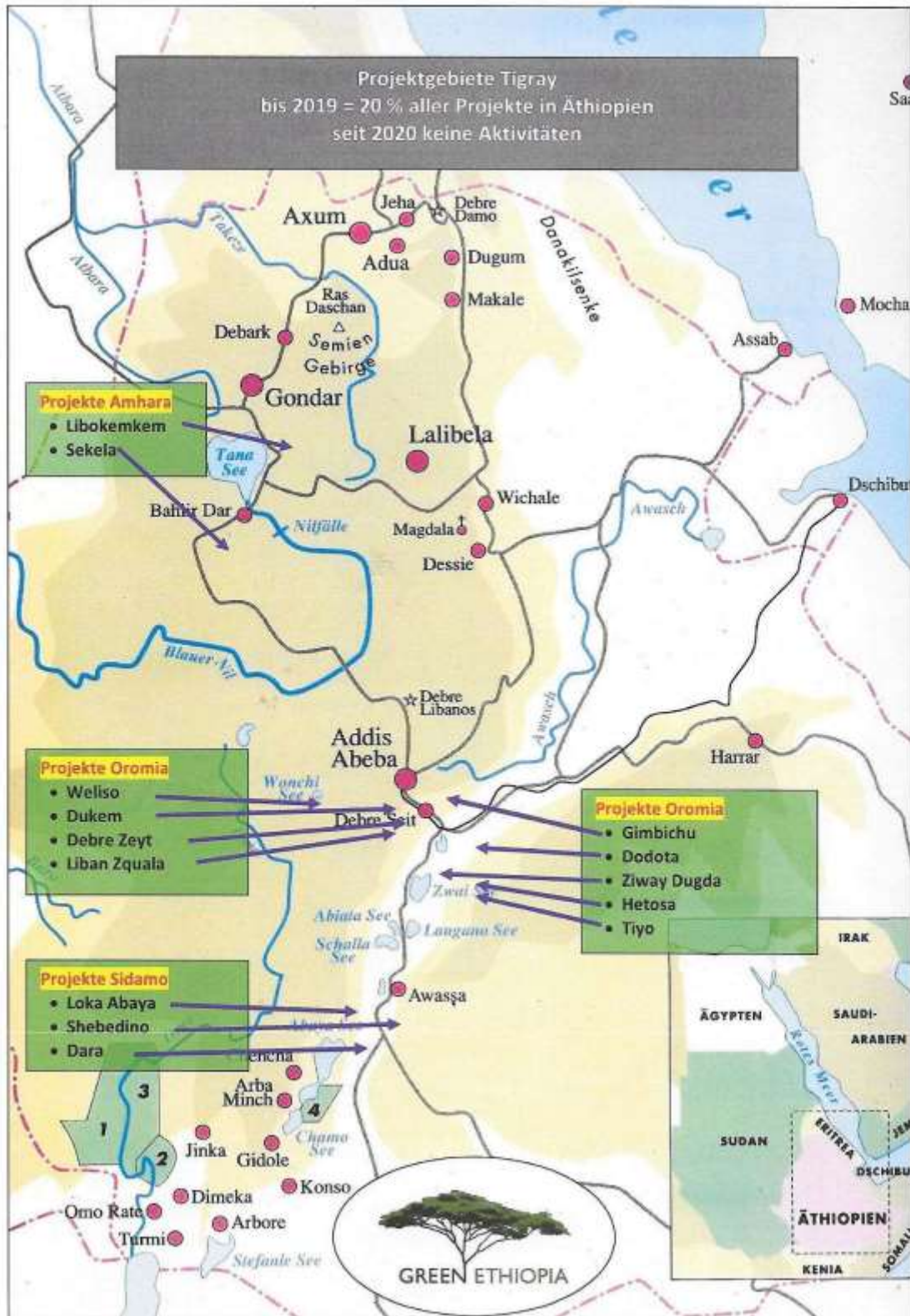
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Overview of the project areas 2022



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... our cycle, outcomes for 2022



Trees



Forests



Water



Crops



Food



Life

A future for people and nature!