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Working Group on Living Income & Child Labour-

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Agenda

Introduction

Welcome Address SWISSCO Coordination Office

Part I: Guiding Steps towards living income in the supply chain. How to mainstream living income in your company's activities?

Break

Part II: Living Income Offer to Business by SWISSCO Members
Part III: Living Income Studies
Wrap up & Closing
Virtual Networking Spatial Chat (Optional)



Round of Introduction

Chatbox

Name, organisation, position, where you work from today and how you feel (emoji)



Welcome Address by the SWISSCO Coordination Office

- Filippo Veglio -

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PART I: Guiding Steps towards living income in the supply chain.

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Towards a Living Income: Introduction to the Living Income Toolkit and Practical Pathways

Initiative for Sustainable Agricultural Supply Chains (INA) | Friederike Martin | December 14th 2021





Farmers are struggling to make a living income

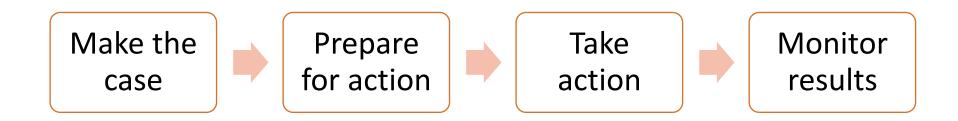




Source: Living Income Report Rural Côte d'Ivoire Cocoa Growing Areas



Steps towards a living income in global supply chains



Step 1: Building Understanding



What is a Living Income?

A living income benchmark is an estimate of the **cost of a basic and decent standard of living** for a household.

It answers the question: 'how much does a typical household in a particular place need to earn, from all income sources, in order to live a decent standard of living?



LIVING INCOME BENCHMARK Cost of a basic, decent standard of living for a household

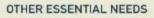




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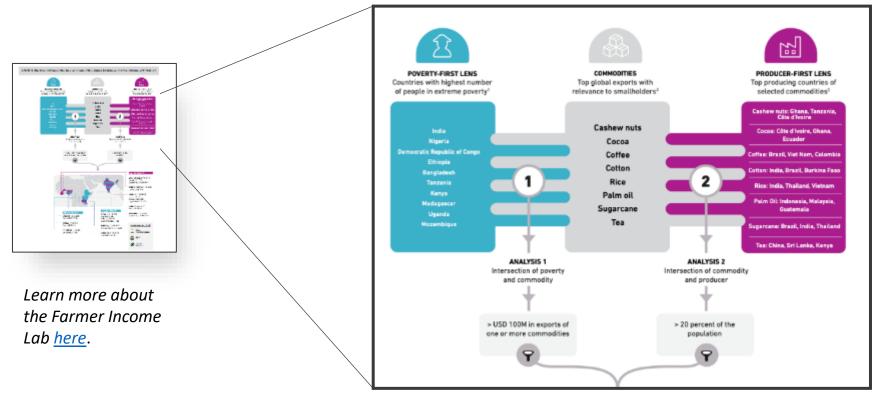
Why is a living income relevant?



Step 2: Materiality *Identifying your key raw materials*



Example Materiality Assessment: Farmer Income Lab



Step 3: Traceability and Hotspot Analysis



Tracing Raw Materials & Finding Hotspots of Poverty



Step 4: Communicate Expectations on Living Income and Engage Suppliers

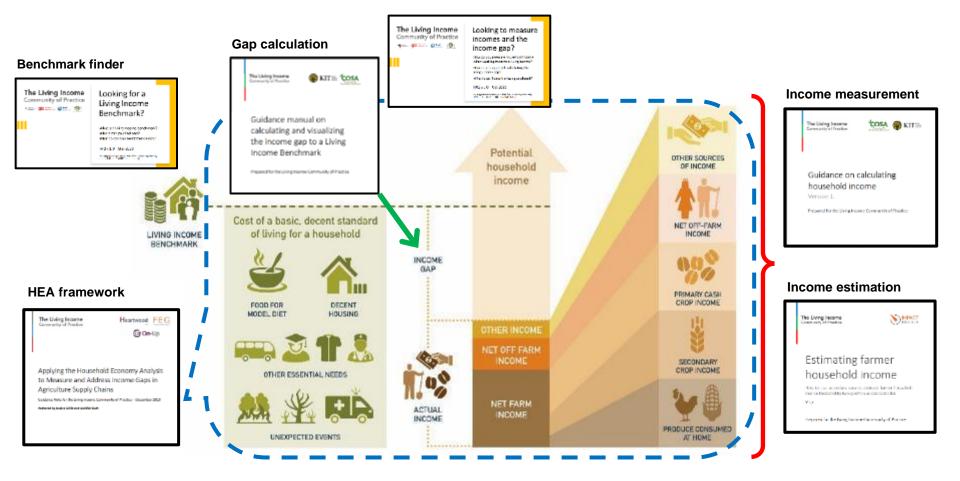


Company commitments



Step 5: Define Living Income, Determine Actual Income & Income gap

INA Our income measurement guidance & the living income story



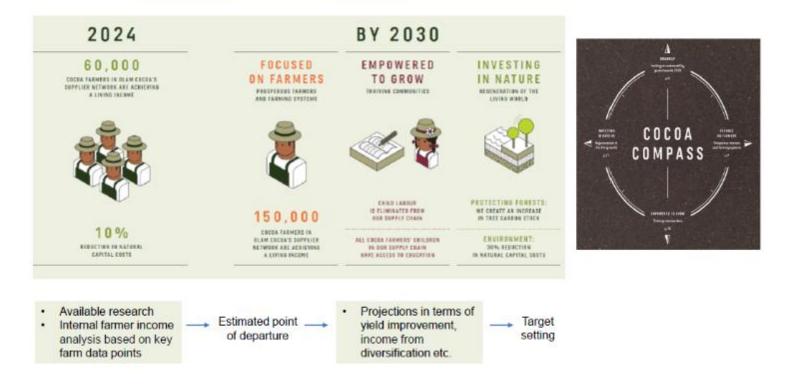
Step 6: Formulate living income strategy and set an internal policy and targets



Company Spotlight

Living Income key part of OLAM's Cocoa Compass strategy





Step 7: Assess and Implement Interventions

INA There Are Multiple Pathways to a Living Income

In any one supply chain there might be multiple ways to close the Income Gap depending on assets and goals.



Inclusion first: Leaving farmers who need to transition out of a strategy is not part of a living income strategy.



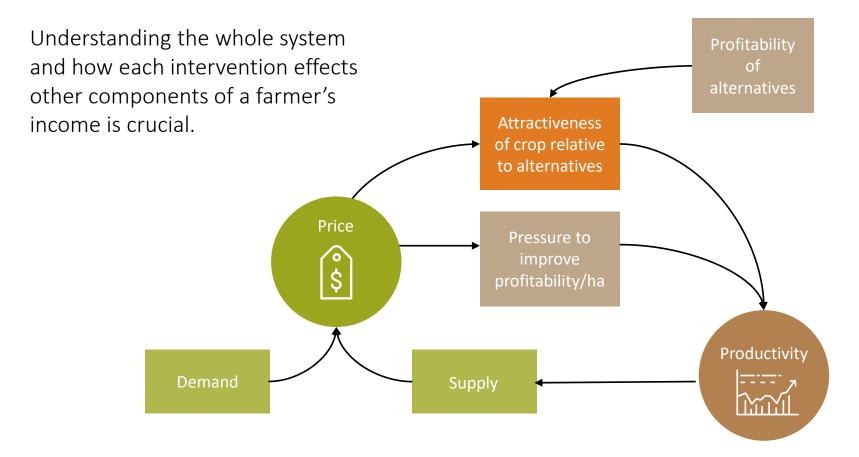
Key Levers

A Living Income strategy must include multiple interventions. At minimum interventions should include Net Farm Income Levers: including price, productivity and cost of production.



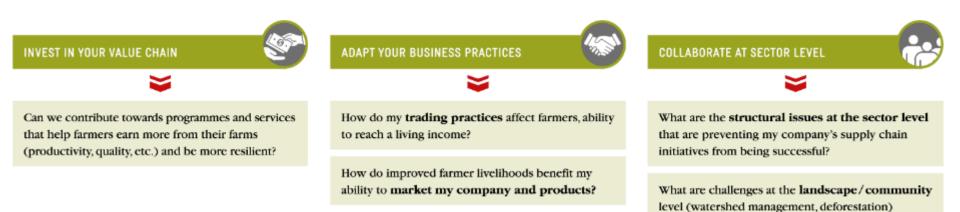


Interventions are Interconnected





Choosing Pathway Interventions



preventing my company's supply chain initiatives from being successful, that I can't address alone?

Step 8: Monitor Results



Measurement & Evaluation for Living Income

What do you need to know What are your project What indicators will to understand if your objectives and how do help you understand if activities are contributing to you plan to achieve you are reaching your intended changes? them? objectives? Impact Outcome ultimate change the resulting change (i.e. change in income) Output (i.e. change in knowledge / how many participate / how **Activities** skills / behavior) many services/resources the ways company provided supports farmers

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The Living Income Toolkit: Guidance on how to build a roadmap towards LI with the private sector



Guiding steps towards living income in the supply chain How to mainstream living income in your company's activities

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The Living Income Community of Practice Hands-on guideline with **8 practical steps**

Use cases from businesses & development cooperation

Further resources for deep dive

Businesses CSR/Sustainability/ Procurement

Cooperation with private sector

Newbies & advanced users

Download Living Income Toolkit



Where Can I Find Living Income Benchmarks & further information



Decent During Registrated Income for more than 40 countries

www.align-tool.com/resource-library

Guidance on living income and wage strategy, and the benchmark database of public benchmarks. Cross-posted on Living-Income.com



www.globallivingwage.org

Anker Living wage estimates available in 34 countries, with application in multiple industries.





www.living-income.com/livingincome-benchmarks

All public Living Wage & Living income benchmarks are combined into one easy-to -read document. Cross posted on ALIGN.



www.idhsustainabletrade.com/livin g-wage-identifier-tool/

> The Roadmap on Living Wages offers solutions for measuring and closing living wage gaps and a global LW benchmark finder.



Learn more about Living Income

The Living Income Community of Practice is an alliance of actors from various sectors (private sector, civil sector, academia). Its aim is to improve smallholders' income by combining the levers of the different actors. Within this collaboration, businesses can learn from the experiences of their alliance partners and make use of the methods and guidance offered by these in order to contribute to closing the income gap. Join the conversation on www.living-income.com

About

<u>The Concept</u> <u>Applications</u> <u>Living Income and the SDG's</u>

Resources

<u>Graphics</u> <u>Newsletters</u> <u>Papers & Reports</u> <u>Recorded Webinars</u>

Measurement

Measuring Living Income Actual Income Living Income Benchmarks Living Income Proxy

Benchmarks

<u>LI Community of Practice</u> <u>ALIGN Tool</u> <u>Global Living Wage Coalition</u> <u>IDH</u> – Global LW Benchmark Finder

Closing the Gap

<u>Cases and</u> <u>Collaborations</u> <u>Roles of Different Actors</u> <u>Leveraging</u> <u>Improvement</u>

Events

Upcoming Events Previous Events

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Q&A on PART I

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PART II: Living Income Offer to Business by SWISSCO Members

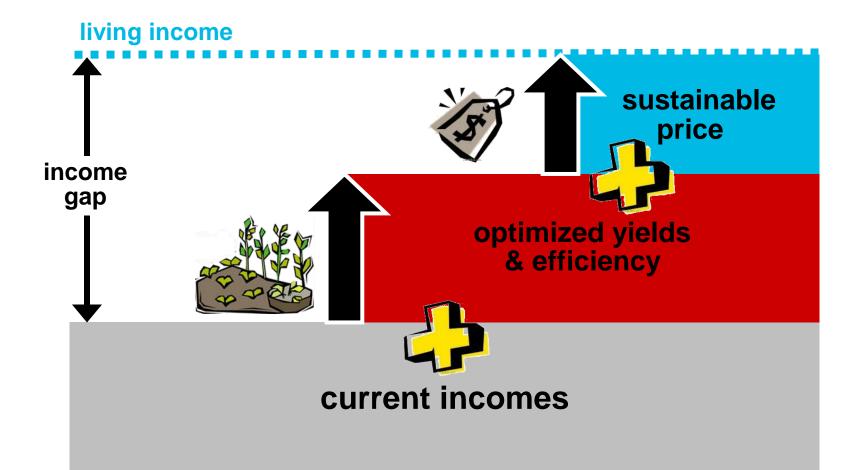
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Fairtrade living income & cocoa

Carla Veldhuyzen | SWISSCO | December 2021





As a standard setter, Fairtrade establishes the conditions to achieve sustainable

livelihoods – including living incomes for producers – so that certification and complementary programmes can be used as performance indicators to measure against sustainability objectives.

Producer organizations are empowered to drive change at farmer level, through **effectively addressing the needs of their members and creating value** in order to attain sustainable farm yields, build resilience and become profitable farmers.

In the end, farmers themselves are responsible for making good use of the services (technical assistance, subsidies, finance, etc.) provided by or facilitated through their organizations and for adopting the recommended sustainable practices.

The private sector is primarily responsible for enabling living incomes through their purchasing practices. Two critical purchasing conditions are:

- Sustainable (farm gate) prices: a price which allows cocoa farmers to make the farm investments needed for implementing sustainable production practices and earn a net revenue that equals at least a living income
 Living Income Reference Price.
- Long term sourcing commitments: a guarantee for farmers to have a buyer for their produce in the mid-long term, to ensure a return on their farm investments and mitigate the risk of oversupply.



income monitoring, impact evaluation & learning based on farm records





Cocoa & Living Income Programme			
component	Living Income Projects	Income Improvement Projects	responsibility
pricing	Payment of the Fairtrade Living Income Reference Price A minimum of a 3-year sourcing commitment	Price and/or Fairtrade volume increase commitment	Commercial partner
Sustainable yields component		At least one other intervention under the sustainable yields component applicable to Living Income projects	Cooperative, with support from Fairtrade producer network
M&E	Monitoring & Evaluation of income improvement based on Living Income indicator framework	Monitoring & Evaluation aligned with Fairtrade's Living Income indicator framework	Fairtrade International
verification	Audited payments received by cooperative and at farmgate level		FLOCERT









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Sustainability Differential and Sustainability Investments

Ruben Bergsma - Cocoa Sector Lead Rainforest Alliance

Topics

- Introduction
- Approach to a Living Income
- Zooming in on
 Sustainability Differential (SD) and
 - Sustainability Investments (SI)



Introduction





Rainforest Alliance Cocoa program overview

Over 1.5 million UTZor RA certified cocoa produced in 2020

- 1,263,000 M Tof UTZ and 328,000 M Tof RA
- Mainoriginsare Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Cameroon, Nigeria, Ecuador

Over 1 million MTsold in 2020

- 862,000 MT of UTZ (68% of production) and 186,000 MT of RA (57%)
- The majority of sales are from Africa (86%), mainly Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana

Over € 88 million in cash premiums in 2020

- € 73 m ln in UTZ premiumsglobally
- € 15 mln in RA premiums in Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana*

*Rainforest Alliance premiums only recorded in Côte d'IVoire and Ghana in 2020. **Source**: <u>https://www.rainforest-alliance.org/resource-item/cocoa-certification-data-report-2020/</u>



Part 1: Approach to a Living Income



What we do







Sustainable Livelihoods for Farmers - A Living Income and Beyond

The Rainforest Alliance's theory of change of achieving sustainable livelihoods for farmers is built around three pillars:

Profitable and Resilient Farmers
 Market Incentives and Shared Responsibility
 An Enabling Environment

A long-term and systemic response is needed



Price interventions for bridging the gap

Living Income Tool

- Measure share of households above or below living income benchmark and average gap
- Monitoring progress

Annex S5

Living Income Tool



 More information?

 For more information about the Rainforest Alliance, visit www.rainforest-alliance.org or contract information.org

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Living Income Module

- A pilot to **test direct payment** of an additional premium from brand owners directly to cocoa farmers.
- **Cash transfers** are combined with **tailored trajectory to build up the resilience** & professionalize producers.
- With monitoring functionality to measure impact over time





Advocacy

- We engage with governments to strengthen policies and their implementation to improve farmers' livelihood and protect nature.
- We build partnerships with local CSO's and farmer organisations and support them in strengthening their advocacy capacity.







Ghana Agricultural & Rural Development Journalists Association



Part 2: Zooming in on Sustaina bility Differential (SD) and Sustaina bility Investments (SI)





Components of Shared Responsibility

Sustainability Differential (SD)

Is a mandatory payment of an additional monetary amount to certified **producers** (farmers) on top of the market price to reward them for producing more sustainably.

Sustainability Investments (SI)

Cash or in-kind investments from buyers of Rainforest Alliance certified products to **farm certificate holders** (farmer groups) to enable improvements to **meet the requirements** of the Sustainable Agriculture Standard.





Requirements for Sustainability Differential

- Group Certificate Holder- 3.2.1
 - Documents receipt of SD amount from buyer
 - **Communicates** SD received to group members
 - **Distributes** full SD amount to group members
 - **Documents** distribution of SD to group members



Requirements for Sustainability Differential



- Supply chain certificate holder (First Buyers):
 - Additional monetary payment to certified producers on top of the market price, quality premiums or other differentials 3.2.3
 - Stipulates level and terms of SD in **contracts**, and indicate those details on invoices 3.2.4
 - Payment within 6 months of shipment 3.2.5 and Annex S14
 - Records payment of SD in RA traceability platform - 3.2.6
 - **Respects minimum level** where applicable 3.2.7



Requirements for Sustainability Investments

Farm certificate holder (farm ergroup):

- ✓ Develops an **investment plan** that ranks the investment needs & amounts it needs to comply with RA standard
- Documents in-kind and cash Sustainability Investments received from buyers

Supply chain certificate holder (First Buyers):

- ✓ Ensures the farm certificate holder receives Sustainability
 Investments aligned with the needs of the investment plan
- ✓ **Documents** in-kind and cash Sustainability Investments:
 - In annual investment report
 - In traceability platform





Phased introduction of SD SI

Phase 1: April 2020 – June 2021 Establishing mandatory premiums

Phase 2: July 2021- June 2022

Transitioning from premiums to SD and SI

Phase 3: July 1, 2022 onward Introducing the minimum SD





2.3 Cocoa Policy

A premium is paid by the first buyer to Rainforest Alliance certified groups for all product claimed as Rainforest Alliance certified

Phase 1: Establishing and recording mandatory premiums

- UTZ: Premium mandatory for all UTZ certified cocoa sold
- **Rainforest Alliance**: Premiums often also already paid for certified cocoa
- From July 1, 2020: Premium mandatory for all Rainforest Alliance cocoa sales from Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana
- Premiums now recorded for >95% of cocoa certified by Rainforest Alliance programs





3.2.3 Farm standard

Payment of the SD in the form of a monetary payment on top of the market price, quality premiums or other differentials

Phase 2: Transition from premium to SD SI

- From July 1, 2021, producers can start to be certified against the 2020 Rainforest Alliance Standard
- **SD SI is mandatory** for all 2020 Standard cocoa sales (Farm Certificate Holder to First Buyer)
- First year of certification (2021-22):
 - No need to renegotiate premium if a lready agreed
 - Agreed premium can be divided between SD and SI (eg cash to farmer and cash to group)
 - Record both SD and SI
 - Record in-kind SI separately





3.2.7 Annex 14

At least the prescribed minimum is paid

Phase 3: introducing the \$70 minimum SD

- Africa: for any certified cocoa sold from the 2022-23 harvest onward (starting October 2022)
- Rest of the world: for any certified cocoa sold July 1, 2022 on ward

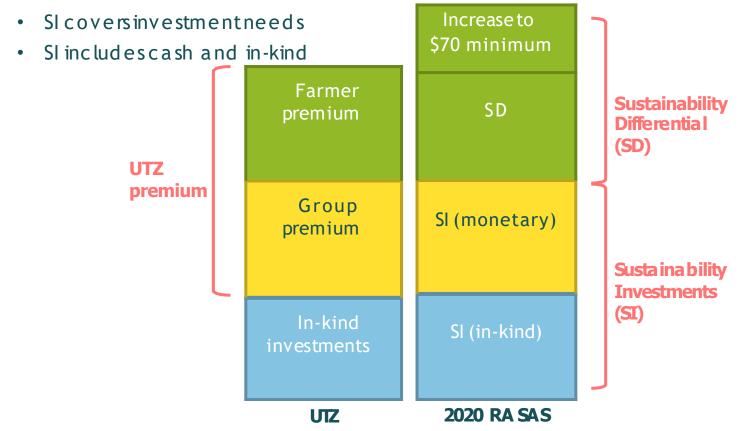
We will closely monitor the effect on SI (based on 2021 SI data and historic UTZ premium data)





The \$70 minimum in context

- The \$70 minimum SD is only part of the equation it does not include SI
- \$70 is the start, not the norm. If we see a shift of all SD payments towards \$70 then we will intervene with extra measures.





3.3.1

Management

at least

annually

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investments

sustainability

and develops

an investment

needed to

improve

plan

Working with the Investment Plan

- Before the harvest
 - Results of all assessments
 - Listing investment needs
 - Investment a llocation
- During and after the harvest
 - Receipt of SI from buyers (can include pre-financed, cash, in-kind services)
 - Actual investments take place
 - > Updating of the plan
- Prior to new season
 - Annual report of investments into RA online platform (% allocation per category)





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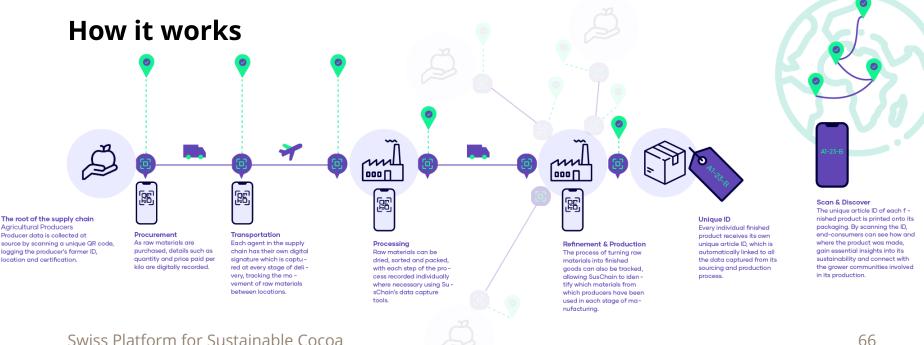
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Traceable from bean to bar

- Immutable, cryptographically signed data
- Flexible data types
- Highly scalable
- **Open source**







Living-income Plugin

- trace cocoa purchase by using SusChain
- Ensured living income farmgate price
- LI-premium via direct payment

Next steps

Calculate region specific farmgate price

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Farmgate

Other sustainability plugins





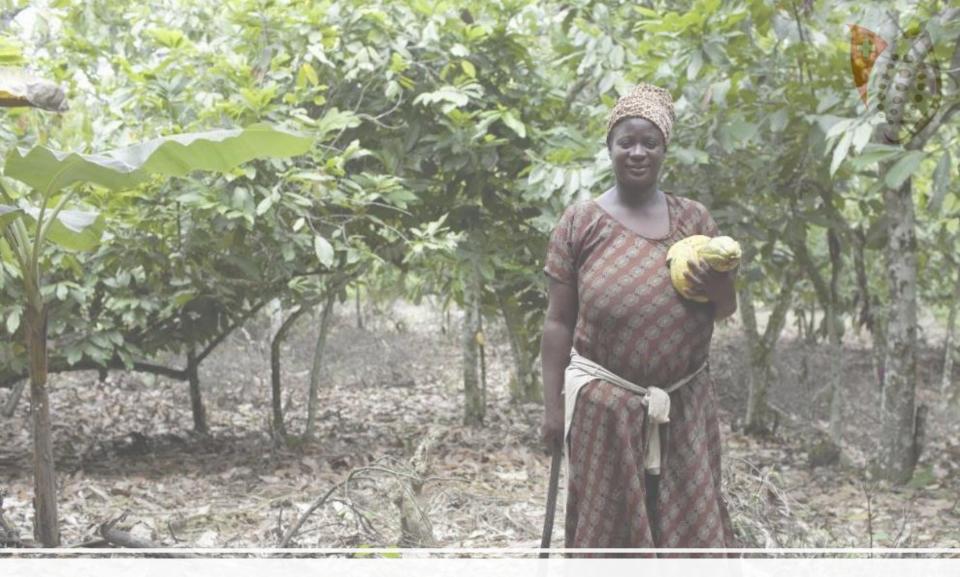


SCHÖKI: True fairness – a living income cocoa price

- First SusChain use-case
- 100% traceable supply chain
- Living income for all raw materials

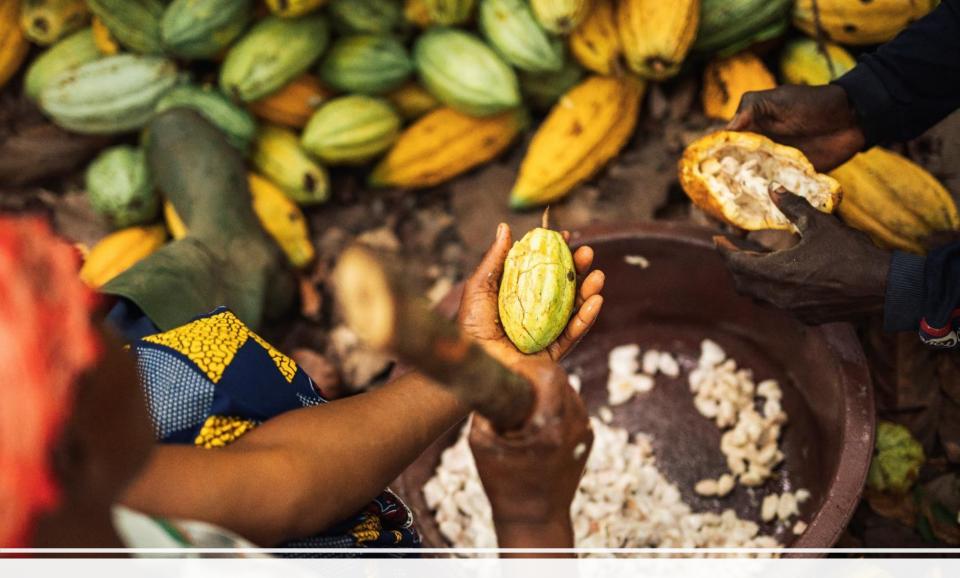


- A non-profit, open source, sustainability focused initiative
- Partner with us
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Q&A on PART II

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PART III: Income Studies

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Living Income Benchmark Study Peru, 2022

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Isabel Heidler, Max Havelaar Switzerland



Living Income Benchmark Study

General background

Living Income concept



A Living Income refers to an income that allows a typical family to live in dignity.

Cost of nutritious lowcost diet

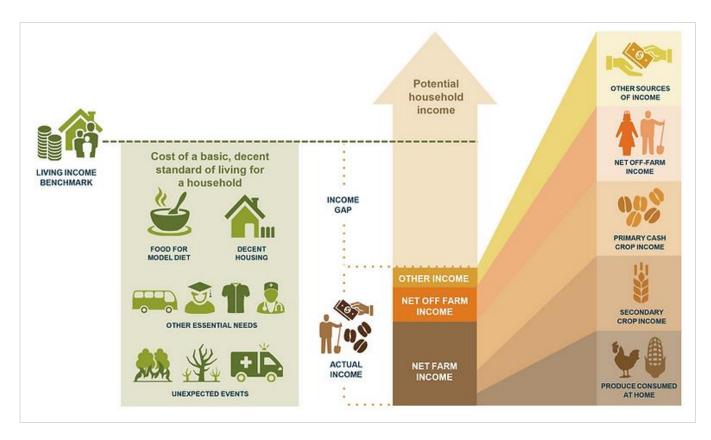
Cost of basic decent housing

Other essential expenses for education, health, clothing, transport Provision for unexpected events

Living Income (household)

Living Income Benchmark Study

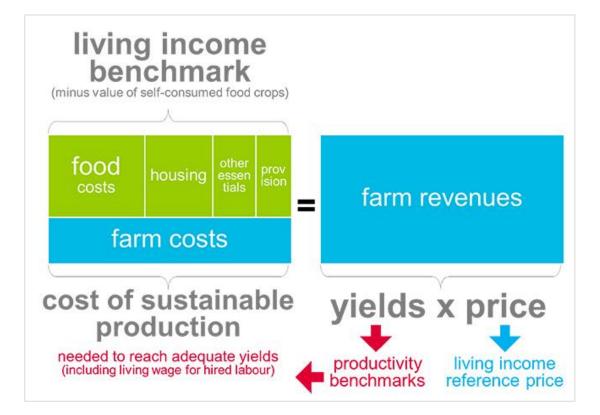




Source: The Living Income Community of Practice

Fairtrade's Living Income Reference Price







Living Income Benchmark Study in Peru – San Martin, Cajamarca, and Piura

Study details

Living Income Benchmark Study in Peru -Consortium of stakeholders



Cocoa stakeholders

- Swiss Platform for Sustainable Cocoa
- Landscape Approach in San Martin, Peru



Coffee Stakeholders

- Starbucks
- Nespresso
- Keurig Dr Pepper
- Sustainable Harvest Coffee Importers
- Olam Specialty Coffee
- Solidaridad-Peru

Anker Research network & Social Accountability International (SAI), Sustainable Food Lab & Max Havelaar Switzerland

Stakeholder's contributions





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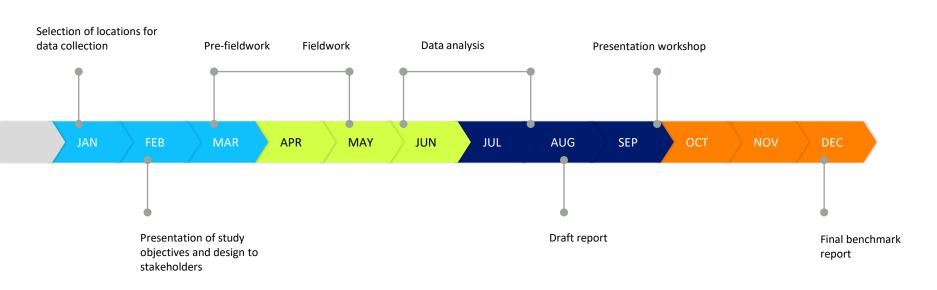
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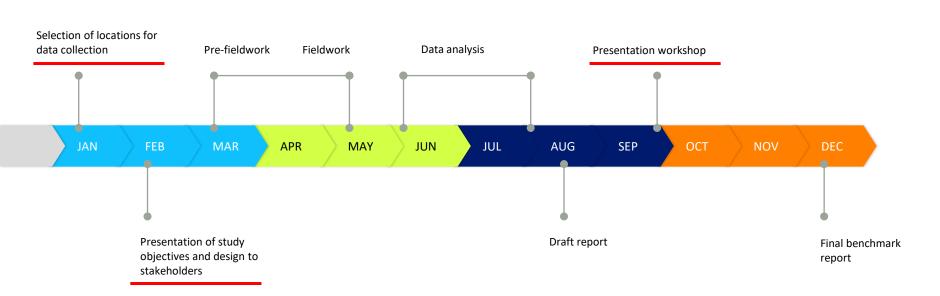
Time plan





Time plan – engagement with SWISSCO







SWISSCO December 2021

Jon Walker





Agenda

- **1.** Background to and composition of the studies
- 2. Fairtrade's financial interventions
- 3. Comparison study 2016/17 v 2020/21
- 4. Fairtrade Minimum Price intervention modelling





2nd Ivorian household income study

2016/17	data	comparison	with	2020/21
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The cooperatives included in the sample are cooperatives that participated in the study published in 2018 and that were still certified. Some differences in sampling with the previous study could hinder comparability.*

384 farmers

16 coops

Impact of Fairtrade price interventions

The cooperatives included in the sample have minimum sales on Fairtrade terms of 20%. The average sales on Fairtrade terms per cooperative is 45%. The cooperatives were selected using purposive sampling: only cooperatives with sales above 20% on Fairtrade terms were considered.

482 farmers

20 coops

*the researchers calculated a 95% confidence level, with a 5% error margin, meaning it is highly likely that the change reflected in the study is due to actual change in circumstances and not just a different set of households.



Fairtrade's financial interventions per tonne – Côte d'Ivoire

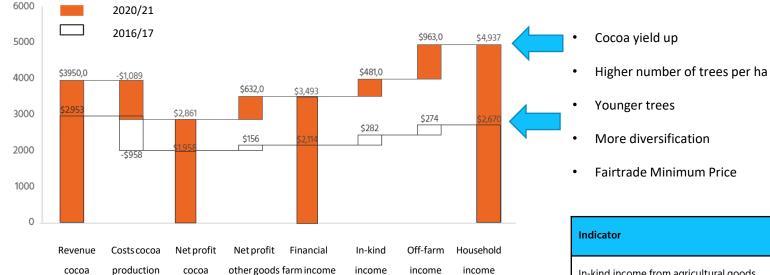


Services to farmersInvestement in Coop

*Fairtrade Min Price differential calculated by subtracting the Ivorian government Valuer FOB Garanti from the Fairtrade Minimum Price of \$2,400 per tonne at FOB

Note: Additional +\$300 per tonne Fairtrade organic payment on top of market price

Comparison study | average farmer household income 2016/17 v 2020/21



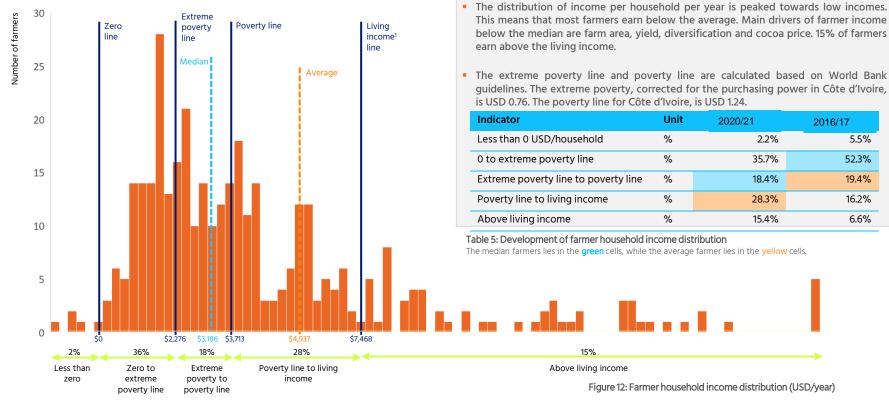
The average yearly household income is 4,937 USD per household, compared to 2,670 USD per household

Indicator	Average (2020)
In-kind income from agricultural goods	\$438.51
In-kind income from spouse or others	\$42.40
In-kind income	\$480.91
Wage income	\$746.62
Other income	\$216.45
Off-farm income	\$963.07

RESULTS | household income distribution: Comparison

Key insights:

85% of farmers earn below the living income



Estimated using median household size, excluding social security

2016/17

5.5%

52.3%

19.4%

16.2%

6.6%

2.2%

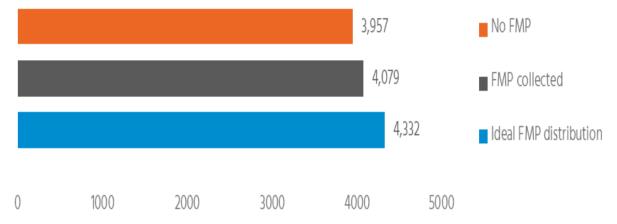
35.7%

18.4%

28.3%

15.4%

Fairtrade Minimum Price | Effect FMP Differential on Income



Average farmer household income under different scenarios

- Reference period Oct 2019/20 season, FT Min Price differential \$235.92 per tonne
- If a farmer sells all cocoa on FT terms at times of low prices HH income +9%
- Fairtrade Minimum Price is designed to be a safety net





LIVING INCOME: FROM RIGHT TO REALITY

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LIVING INCOME

WHY A BRIEFING for Business on Living INCOME?

An inflection point for living income:

- Lots of support but few commitments
- Lots of analysis but few proven strategies
- Lots of pilots but little scale
- Lots of opportunities but also significant risks

8 Critical AREAS for Companies and LIVING INCOME

- **1.** Adopt a human rights due diligence approach → Start with your own impact on farmers
- 2. Ensure living income strategies benefit the most vulnerable farmers
 → Don't just 'cream from the top'
- Integrate living income in procurement practices
 → Align the way you source with living income
- **4.** Elevate pricing as a living income strategy → It remains the elephant in the room

8 Critical AREAS for Companies and LIVING INCOME

- 5. Make living income strategies gender-inclusive → Otherwise, they can reinforce gender inequalities
- 6. Increase farmers' bargaining power on living income
 → Right now, farmers carry the burden of change
- 7. Share data and insights on living income → Lack of information remains a major barrier
- 8. Enable strong government and sector-level action on living income
 → Companies can't do it alone



Q&A on PART III

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Wrap up & Closing



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Virtual Networking (Optional)

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