

Template for DISCO action plans

Subsectors 'Certification organization', 'Civil society', 'Service providers & knowledge institutes', and 'Government'

Instructions

To gather more quantitative insights in what individual signatories are contributing to the DISCO goals in the upcoming years and how the partnership is progressing jointly, the Steering Committee agreed that all signatories will develop and publish individual action plans. These action plans show how they are contributing to the DISCO goals in the upcoming 3 years (until end 2026), and:

- are based on the commitments from the [DISCO declaration](#);
- have a strong link with the indicators from the ISCO Reporting Framework;
- explain how the principles on procurement practices as laid down in the DISCO procurement practices position paper, are being implemented by DISCO signatories.

You are asked to fill below template and submit it by **30 June 2024 the latest** to the DISCO Secretariat: Mark de Waard, dewaard@idhtrade.org and Lisa Graepel, graepel@idhtrade.org.

After submission, all DISCO action plans will be published on the DISCO website. The DISCO Secretariat will analyse and summarise the action plans. The outcomes of this analysis will be shared and discussed during the annual General Assembly at the end of 2024.

For more guidance on defining the actions around the three impact themes, it is recommended to consult the DISCO Roadmaps on [living income](#), [deforestation and forest degradation](#), and [child labour](#). For more information on the quantitative targets, the definitions and usage of the indicators, please consult the [ISCO Reporting Framework](#).

All action plans will cover the period 2024-2026. The quantitative targets **track progress cumulatively until the end of 2026, including what's already been achieved.** . Progressive targets with intermediate milestones could also be included. It is also requested to give a brief qualitative description. Where needed, references to a more comprehensive description of the strategy could be included.

General information

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Plans on DISCO ambitions to enable living incomes

Contribution to closing living income gaps

Describe in max. 200 words what your organizations' plans are to contribute to the partnership's goals on closing living income gaps.

Fairfood collaborates with private sector partners and civil society organizations to advance farmer-centric and innovative approaches to sustainability, with the main goal being ensuring that the value created throughout international supply chains reaches farmers and cooperatives at the first mile. By further developing our technological solutions (mostly Trace, Fairfood's traceability tool), we foster a transparent ecosystem where income interventions are integrated into sustainability strategies, ensuring clear dissemination of information among stakeholders. Currently building on traceability pilots that enhanced transparency at the outset of supply chains in Sierra Leone, we are now focusing on optimizing assessment and incentives for better efficiency, productivity, and quality for small-scale farmers, thereby promoting dignified livelihoods. We do so by facilitating knowledge sharing and promoting industry best practices among businesses operating in the EU. Over the next three years, Fairfood aims to leverage these initiatives to ensure value in the first mile of agricultural supply chains.

Substantiate this by setting a quantitative target on (one of) the following indicators:

- *Total # of publications (evaluations, analyses, studies, etc.) on effective approaches for living income gap closure in supply chains by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of partnerships/coalitions actively involved in around living income in cocoa producing countries by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of supply chain partners supported (technically, financially, or through pilots) in the implementation of living income strategies by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of policies around living income influenced by the end of 2026*

New Partnership: 1 new partnership was established, following a traceability pilot in Sierra Leone, leading to a 6% price increase commitment by an organic cocoa trade house and a chocolate brand. Currently, funding mechanisms are being explored to initiate this project.

Living Income Events: 6 sessions of the [Living Wage & Income Lab](#) will be hosted by Fairfood until the end of 2025, as part of our corporate engagement and advocacy efforts under the RECLAIM Sustainability! Program. The audience is formed by participants from companies, research institutes, and governments attended, in 2024, the first session of the year was hosted within the Chococo conference, [discussing living income strategies](#) with over 60 participants working in cocoa. Results from previous ones can be found [here](#).

Living Income Pricing Methodology: We are currently developing an open-source living income pricing methodology in consultation with stakeholders in LATAM. This methodology enables the calculation of living income pricing at various supply chain stages, such as cooperatives that could use that to join price negotiation discussions. In 2024, the methodology will be first tested by partners from the coffee industry and subsequently extend it to other commodities as part of our efforts to ensure fair prices across our supply chains. A living income functionality is also being added to our tooling to allow partners to clearly communicate their progress towards paying farmers.

Plans on DISCO ambitions to end deforestation and forest degradation

Contribution to end deforestation and forest degradation

Describe in max. 200 words what your organizations' plans are to contribute to the partnership's goals on ending deforestation and forest degradation.

Complementary to our advocacy for greater transparency on progress related to living income pricing, a new functionality of Fairfood's transparency tool, Trace, is an impact visualization tool that integrates your supply chain data with other data sources. This dashboard overlays company data (such as traceability data) with external data sources (such as Global Forest Watch) and visualizes performance against some of the most relevant ESG methodologies (such as EUDR). This dashboard functionality, called Navigate, has been developed in cooperation with a partner operating in Sierra Leone and will soon be publicly launched.

Substantiate this by setting a quantitative target on (one of) the following indicators:

- *Total # of publications (evaluations, analyses, studies, etc.) on effective approaches for forest protection in supply chains by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of partnerships/coalitions actively involved in around forest protection in cocoa producing countries by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of supply chain partners supported (technically, financially, or through pilots) in the implementation of forest protection strategies by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of policies around forest protection influenced by the end of 2026*

Work in progress. We'll be launching the program and its strategy in 2024/2025.

Plans on DISCO ambitions to end child labour

Contribution to end child labour

Describe in max. 200 words what your organizations' plans are to contribute to the partnership's goals on ending child labour.

Does not apply.

Substantiate this by setting a quantitative target on (one of) the following indicators:

- *Total # of publications (evaluations, analyses, studies, etc.) on effective approaches for ending child labour in supply chains by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of partnerships/coalitions actively involved in around ending child labour in cocoa producing countries by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of supply chain partners supported (technically, financially, or through pilots) in the implementation of ending child labour strategies by the end of 2026*
- *Total # of policies around child labour influenced by the end of 2026*

Does not apply.