

ONE TRADE AFRICA

Empowering African businesses



BUSINESS PROFILES ITC Projects at IATF2023







This catalogue serves to highlight the business profiles of the ITC-sponsored entrepreneurs attending the 3rd Intra-Africa Trade Fair. Businesses such as the ones highlighted in this booklet are instrumental in the development of regional value chains and supply chains, effective implementation of the AfCFTA, and sustainable and inclusive economic growth and development of the continent.

The SMEs will be exhibiting at the ITC Pavilion, participating in B2B and B2G meetings and attending capacity-building activities led by ITC including the One Trade Africa "AfCFTA Export Readiness Masterclass" delivered with the African Export Import Bank. These enterprises are ready to do business and scale to reach markets across Africa and internationally.

International Trade Centre (ITC)

The International Trade Centre (ITC) is a joint agency of the United Nations (UN) and World Trade Organisation (WTO) with a specific mission to support micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) to compete in regional and international value chains and connect to international markets. ITC also works closely with partners to improve lives through sustainable trade.

ITC Projects at IATF2023

One Trade Africa

ITC's One Trade Africa Programme is ITC's dedicated programme to support Africa's regional integration process. One Trade Africa was launched in 2021 and sets out to empower and enable African MSMEs, as well as young and women entrepreneurs to access meaningful business opportunities created by the AfCFTA, and other regional agreements.

One Trade Africa adopts a three-pronged delivery model which supports African MSMEs to compete, connect and change at the enterprise, business ecosystem and policy levels.

One Trade Africa centres around Africa's private sector and particularly supports small businesses, young entrepreneurs and women, through close partnerships with the African Union Commission, AfCFTA Secretariat, Afreximbank, African Organisation for Standardisation, Africa Business Council and UN agencies working in Africa.

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WEST AFRICA COMPETITIVENESS PROGRAMME (WACOMP)

Regional Component

The West Africa Competitiveness Programme (WACOMP) aims to support a number of selected value chains at national and regional level to promote structural transformation and better access to regional and international markets, while taking into account social and environmental concerns. Its overall objective is to strengthen competitiveness of West African countries and enhance their integration into the regional and international trading system.

Specifically, the programme will work to:

- Improve the performance, growth and contribution to industry, regional trade and exports of selected value chains, and
- Improve the business climate at national and regional levels.

The WACOMP consists of one regional component and sixteen national components (15 ECOWAS Member States and Mauritania).

WACOMP Regional Component

The International Trade Centre (ITC) is an implementing agency of the WACOMP programme along with United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) in collaboration with the ECOWAS commission. WACOMP regional aims to:

- Ensure trade support institutions are well equipped to provide tailored services to businesses and improved interaction through a network for these institutions and their regional counterparts
- Prioritise environmental concerns by improving infrastructure in the region
- · Establish policies that prioritise and grow competitive industries
- Set up the Regional Competitiveness Observatory tool, to assist with monitoring and analysing the market scope of specific West African products.
- Reinforce the regional bodies involved in the programme (i.e. ECOWAS, UEMOA) in areas of management, coordination and monitoring as project participants through their national member representation.

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WACOMP Senegal

Project brief

In Senegal, the West Africa Competitiveness Program (WACOMP), is implemented by the International Trade Centre (ITC), in partnership with the Ministry of Trade, Consumption and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises.

WACOMP Senegal is funded by the European Union to implement the Regional Indicative Program (PIR) for West Africa with a budget of 6,300,000 million Euros for Senegal. The program started in August 2020 and ends in April 2025. WACOMP Senegal aims to support and strengthen the competitiveness of three strategic sectors on the regional and international markets, thus contributing to the creation sustainable jobs in Senegal. These are mango and onion value chains as well as the ICT sector.

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ACP Business-friendly: Supporting value chains through inclusive policies, investment promotion and alliances

Putting the value back in African, Caribbean and Pacific countries value chains.

Project brief/summary

The "ACP Business-Friendly: Supporting value chains through inclusive policies, investment promotion and alliances" is an Intra-ACP action funded by the European Union and the Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) through a EUR 34.7 million contribution.

The Programme follows a tiered approach with engagements focusing on macro-, meso- and microlevel interventions implemented by the World Bank (WB), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the International Trade Centre (ITC), respectively. The specific objective of the Programme is to support business-friendly and inclusive national and regional policies and strengthen productive capacities and value chains. This Programme is designed to achieve two key outcomes of:

- Adopting and implementing business-friendly, inclusive, and responsible national policies and legal frameworks.
- Strengthening capabilities related to production, processing, promotion, marketing and value chains.

ITC's micro-level approach

The International Trade Centre (ITC) is implementing the micro-level component of the Programme. Micro-level interventions are led by ITC through its Alliances for Action approach that promotes inclusive and sustainable agricultural value chains. Interventions aim to enhance value chain operators' individual and collective competitiveness with specific attention to family farmers, agri-entrepreneurs and processors. The actions draw on a holistic implementation approach and a coordinated framework that creates market opportunities through value addition and product diversification. At the heart of this intervention level is the promotion of sustainable production practices to build resilience and development of bankable business models to attract investments.

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NTF V Agribusiness

In September 2021, The Government of the Netherlands, and the International Trade Centre (ITC) signed a four-year partnership agreement aimed at enhancing trade competitiveness in selected African countries, through the strengthening of digital and agribusiness services and especially the connection between the two.

As part of this Programme, in Ethiopia, ITC is implementing a value chain development project with the objective of improving the competitiveness of livelihood farmers and agribusiness MSMEs in the coffee sector with a focus on digitalization. In Ghana, ITC is implementing a value chain development project with the objective of improving the competitiveness and livelihood of farmers and agribusiness MSMEs in the cocoa and associated crops sector. In Senegal, ITC is implementing a value chain development project aimed at improving the competitiveness of farmers and agri-food MSMEs in the cashew nut and associated crop sector. Cashew nuts will be the main crop targeted, but the project will also support the marketing of associated horticultural products (e.g. maize, cowpeas, cassava/yams and vegetables), following the multi-product, multi-market approach of the Alliances for Action initiative.

Through the project, ITC aims to promote more efficient and sustainable agribusiness and support services that will lead to increased trade, better incomes and livelihood opportunities, especially for the smallholder coffee, cocoa and cashew processing SMEs and farmers. The project also explores digital solutions and related services to overcome the negative effects of agribusiness value chains disruption brought by COVID-19, globally as well as locally, such as lack of agricultural inputs, increase in the price of raw material, decrease in international demand (during the lockdown period) and the consequent need of finding alternative markets. The agribusiness component of NTF V is implemented using the ITC Alliances for Action (A4A) approach that seeks to build resilience and growth for farmers and small and medium enterprises through more mindful and responsible trade, production and consumption systems. A4A works as a network that promotes responsible partnerships for development and better trade and leverages investments and technical support to achieve measurable impact for smallholder farmers and MSMEs.

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SCPL is an agri-food processing company located in Casamance (Industrial Zone of Ziguinchor) in southern Senegal. With 22 years of experience and equipped with modern processing lines, SCPL is currently the largest raw cashew nut processing plant in Senegal. The company manages the entire production chain, from roasting to packaging in small bags for distribution. It has an installed capacity of 2,400 tons per year.





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The Aroma That Lingers! Kedemt Coffee was established in 2020. It is inspired by the centuries old tradition of Ethiopian coffee, a country often described as the cradle of coffee culture. It is passionate about coffee and its culture, and is dedicated to providing its customers with a premium product that they can enjoy every day. The origin of the coffee is known to be in Ethiopia, hence the brand name "Kedemt", meaning "The Origin". Kedemt takes the traditional Ethiopian way of processing and roasting coffee and simplifies it to fit today's urban lifestyle. Kedemt offers its coffee in a distinctive 15-gram bag that makes Kedemt unique in the Ethiopian market and provides an easy and individual way to enjoy coffee.







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Kakia Oils is a Kenyan social enterprise. Our primary focus is on partnering with smallholder farmers and producers in Kenya and the East African region to expand their market reach (both Business to Consumer and Business to Business) for their plant oils, with the aim of ensuring sustainable livelihoods. In the post-Covid era, we transitioned into the production of natural cosmetics. We specialize in formulating personal care products to address a wide range of common African skin and hair issues.







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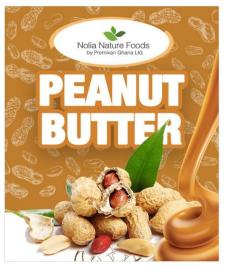
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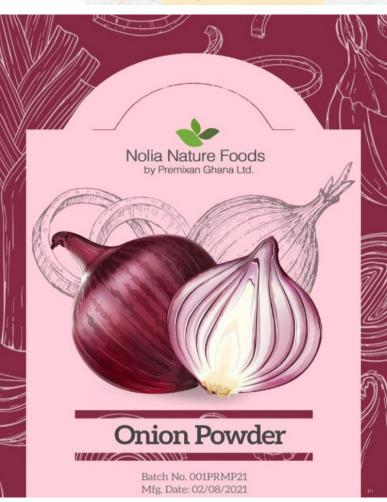
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Ethio Arabica Trading (EAT) is a company engaged in coffee roasting and the export of green coffee. It was established in 2020 by Mrs. Rekik Hailu Degefa and Mr. Mesfin Dabessa Chalchissa. The primary source of their coffee is their own farm located in Limmu, Jimma, Ethiopia. Mrs. Rekik serves as the General Manager of EAT plc, while Mr. Mesfin is the General Manager for the coffee farm.





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Signature Addis Coffee Export was established in 2019 in Addis Ababa and founded by two young entrepreneurs in 2010offering quality, sustainability, social responsibility, integrity and excellence. The Signature team has expertise in coffee production, quality Mangement, sales and marketing and and takes pride in its meticulous approach to sourcing, roasting, cupping and packaging coffee beans. The company carefully selects only the finest coffee beans, ensuring that each batch meets their stringent quality standards. The beans are expertly roasted to unlock their distinct flavours and aromas, capturing the essence of Ethiopian coffee. Signature Addis Coffee Export is one of the fastest growing export companies in Ethiopia which deals with exporting both green and processed / roasted coffee for several international markets located mainly in Saudi, Taiwan, USA, Sweden and across Africa.







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The company provides various solutions in the agricultural sector and related services. Our solutions enable agricultural stakeholders (producers, processors, traders) to access financing through connections with financial institutions. Regarding services, we possess expertise in conducting impact evaluation studies and other related areas.





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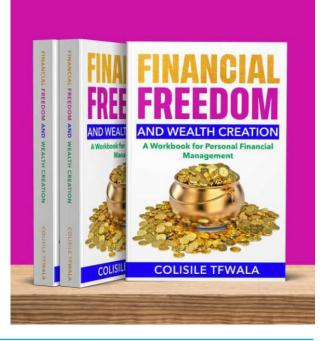


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Busisiwe Bhembe Foundation is a social enterprise focusing on youth and women entrepreneurship development, youth mentoring and training on financial literacy. The financial literacy training focuses on topics such as setting personal financial goals, calculating your net worth, budgeting, savings, saving for retirement, investing, estate planning, taxes and why financial literacy should be taught to children.





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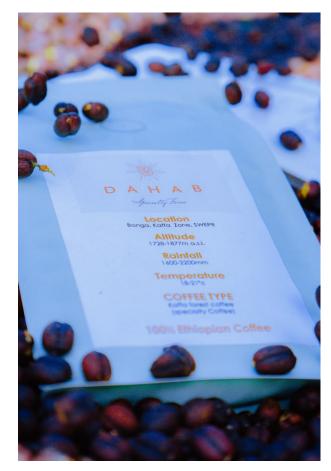


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The farm is located in the buffer zone of the UNESCOregistered Biosphere Reserve, believed to be the birthplace of Arabica coffee. We have been producing and exporting green and roasted coffee since 2014 to the USA, UK, Denmark, UAE, and the Netherlands.





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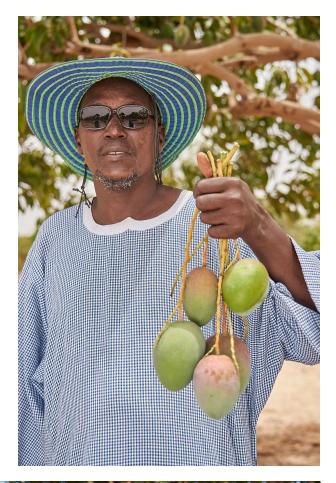






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