

Democracy



EAFF is a democratic and transparent organization of all farmers of Eastern Africa and the Horn of Africa. Member organizations elect their representatives to the federation's congress and the council.

Membership Recruitment



EAFF recruits her member from Eastern Africa and the Horn of Africa. Membership of the Federation is divided into:

I) Full Membership:

Full annual membership is open to all registered country Apex Farmers Organizations including apex Cooperative Organizations, Commodity Associations, Women Organizations and Youth Organizations who have a branch networks to the grassroots level and who on becoming members shall be admitted to membership of the EAFF.

II) Affiliate Membership:

Open to organization registered in law as follows:

- Organized Agricultural industry – Marketing boards promoted by legislation and controlled by the producers concerned and subject to approval by Executive Committee.
- Commercial membership shall be open to firms and or companies concerned in serving the interest of Agricultural industry.
- National farmers' organizations, Cooperatives, Commodity Associations, National Youth groups and National Women groups in one of EAFF's Member organization.

Membership Subscription



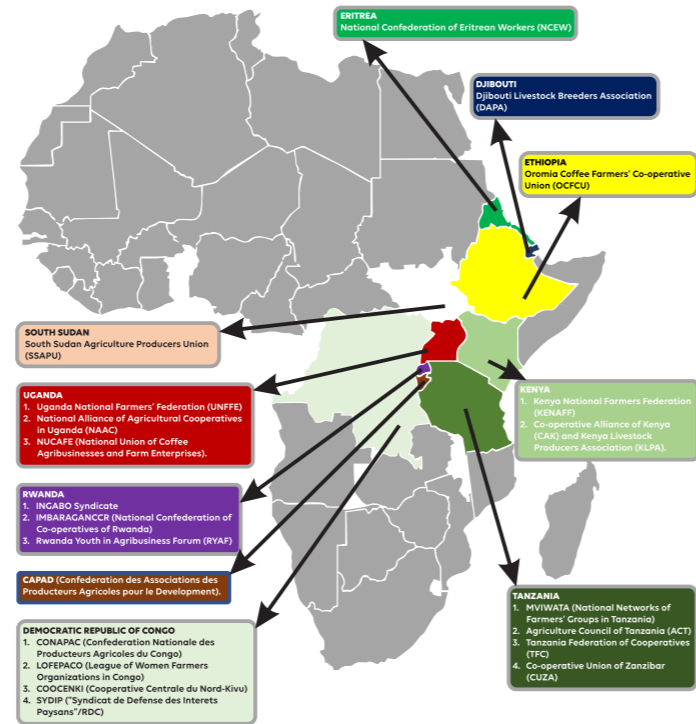
The subscription of a member organization shall be paid to the Head Office of the federation every year. Membership recruitment guidelines are listed in the website. www.eaffu.org



Our Members



Membership is open to various types of organizations involved in agriculture, including national farmers' organizations, cooperatives, and agricultural associations. EAFF currently has 24 Farmer's organizations in 10 Eastern Africa countries



PARTNERS



Government Partners



Research and Higher Learning Institutions



Private Sector



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WHO WE ARE

The Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF) is a regional farmers' organization representing the collective interests of farmers across Eastern Africa. EAFF currently comprises 24 member organizations,

including national farmers' organizations and cooperatives, representing an estimated 25 million smallholder farmers in 10 countries in the Eastern African region.

OUR VISION

A prosperous and cohesive farming community in Eastern Africa.

OUR MISSION

To represent, lobby and advocate for Eastern Africa Farmers interests and build their capacities.

OUR STRATEGY

The Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF) 2021-2028 Strategic Plan focuses on transforming smallholder agriculture into a profitable and sustainable enterprise. EAFF envisions a farming community that is prosperous and cohesive, achieved by empowering smallholder farmers to become key players in agricultural value chains. The plan is structured around five strategic pillars:

FIVE STRATEGIC PILLARS

- Taking the concept of aggregation in use to scale.
- Leveraging digital technology.
- Taking provision of economic services to scale.
- Advocating for supportive policies.
- Improving capacity of members to discharge their representation mandate.

To realize these goals, EAFF employs a multi-faceted approach, including policy advocacy, capacity development, fostering partnerships with private and public sectors. The strategy emphasizes resilience against climate change and emerging threats, ensuring that smallholder systems remain adaptable and viable.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

EAFF has been at the forefront of advocating for the interests of farmers across Eastern Africa. Below are the key achievements the federation has realized:

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POLICY ADVOCACY

- Advocated for pro-farmer policies in the Eastern Africa Region, influencing over 200 national policies in member countries to support sustainable agricultural development.
- Instrumental in the formulation and implementation of regional trade frameworks that prioritize farmer-friendly cross-border trade regulations under the East African Community (EAC) and Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA).
- Collaborated with governments and partners to integrate climate resilience strategies in member countries, ensuring sustainable farming practices.

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ECONOMIC SERVICES

- Negotiated for and secured USD 1,555,738.96 in funding from various financial service providers for onward lending to farmers and cooperatives. That amount was loaned to more than 26,692 farmers
- Supported 1.5 million farmers to access structured markets for maize, beans, and horticultural products, resulting in an average income increase of 20% per household.
- Facilitated B2B meetings between Farmers Organisation (FOs) and Prospective buyers of their products. More than 20 B2B agreements negotiated in 8 countries with over 74 subnational FOs in 15 National Farmers Organizations collectively sold Maize, Cassava, Irish Potatoes, Beans, Rice and Milk worth USD 3.8 million

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KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

- Trained over 500,000 farmers on Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) agribusiness management, and market linkages through workshops, farmer field schools and online platforms.
- Produced and distributed over 1,000 copies of training manuals, and studies to farmers and stakeholders across the region. Some of the studies includes: Africa Climate Process. Actors and Institutions and study on the economic impact of EU Green deal on smallholder farmers in Eastern Africa.
- Developed an interactive Knowledge Portal, e-granary that hosts over 50 resources, including case studies, research papers and videos with a user base exceeding 90,000 monthly visits.

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INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Expanded membership to include over 24 national farmers' organizations, representing 25 million farmers across 10 countries in Eastern Africa.
- Enhanced the governance structures of member organizations by offering training and strategic planning services, benefitting over 70% of member organizations.
- Secured collaborations with key regional and international organizations, raising over USD 2,145,000 in grants and development funding for members' activities.

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WOMEN AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

- Empowered over 5,000 women farmers through dedicated programs on land rights, access to finance, and leadership training.
- Engaged 4,400 young farmers in modern agricultural practices, providing mentorship, resources, and market access, resulting in a 20% increase in youth-led agribusinesses in the region.

GOVERNANCE

EAFF has a constitution which serves as the governance manual



CONGRESS

- Meets after four years
- Receives the report of the Regional Executive Committee for the past four years
- Considers resolution put forward by the member organizations
- Election done every four years



REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (BOARD)

- Main decision making and policy formulation organ
- Oversees management of the federation through the office of the Chief Executive Officer
- Controls and defray expenses



REGIONAL COUNCIL

- Meets annually
- Appoints the auditors of the federation
- Receives and approve the audited accounts
- Elects officials of the Board and members of standing committee
- Receives applications and approve new members.



SECRETARIAT

- Headed by the Chief Executive Officer
- Implements the programs of the federation



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