

Membership Registration Form

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Membership Type (tick one)

- Regular member
 Supportive member

Full Name _____

Address _____

P.O. Box _____

City _____

Country _____

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Date _____

Signature _____

Membership fee or donation can be made through the following Bank in Ethiopia:

Ethiopian Coffee Forest Forum,
Commercial Bank of Ethiopia, Andnet Branch,
Account No. 25730171808993400
SWIFT Code: CBETETAA

Or in Germany:

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ECFF's Project Partners

Bonn University, Germany:

- Center for Development Research (ZEF)
- Nees Institute for Plant Biodiversity
- Institute of Plant Nutrition
- Institute of Plant Diseases

Ethiopia:

- Institute of Biodiversity Conservation
- Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research
- Addis Ababa University

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Background

The Ethiopian Coffee Forest Forum (ECFF) is a non-profit civil society association, established in November 2005. Its main goal is to save the world's last remaining wild Arabica coffee populations and their habitat, the montane rainforests of Ethiopia. Currently, the Ethiopian montane rainforests that host the wild *Coffea arabica* populations are highly fragmented and threatened. At current deforestation rates these forest fragments will disappear within the coming 30 years. ECFF aims to combat deforestation and promote the conservation and sustainable use of coffee forests in Ethiopia.

ECFF's Vision and Mission

ECFF strives to be a leading civil society organization in conservation research, education, communication and sustainable coffee forest management, and to thereby contribute to biodiversity conservation, poverty alleviation, social equity and policy dialogue in Ethiopia. ECFF's mission is to develop strategies for the conservation and use of the coffee forests and to improve the livelihoods of local farmers.



ECFF's Objectives

- to generate knowledge that fosters the conservation and judicious management of coffee forests and their biodiversity in Ethiopia,
- to design coffee forest management systems and standards that enhance the conservation and sustainable use of forest resources by the local communities,
- to evaluate production practices of forest coffee and other non-timber forest products based on international standards,
- to provide scientific information and expert advice on biodiversity and environmental issues to policy makers,
- to collect and disseminate information on the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and coffee forests,
- to educate and train young researchers and environmentally aware citizens to meet the current challenges of environmental change,
- to create awareness and a joint discussion forum for governmental and non-governmental organizations and those involved in the conservation and use of coffee forest resources.

ECFF's Management

The highest decision making body of ECFF is the General Assembly (GA), which includes all members of the association. The GA

meets once a year. The Management Board (MB), elected by the GA, is responsible for supervising the activities of the association.

ECFF's Projects

ECFF is involved in the project "Conservation and use of the wild populations of *Coffea arabica* in the montane rainforests of Ethiopia" (CoCE). It is a transdisciplinary and multi-institutional collaborative research project involving Ethiopian and German scientists. Its aims are to assess the diversity and economic value of the Ethiopian wild Arabica coffee gene pool and to develop concepts for the conservation and use of coffee within its center of origin. See www.coffee.uni-bonn.de. Other projects are supported by the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation (BfN) and the Horn of Africa Regional Environmental Center and Network.

Membership

ECFF is a membership-based organization. Any person older than 18 years can be a member. There are two types of membership: supportive and regular. Supportive members are foreign nationals or institutions supporting the objectives of ECFF with a minimum fee of 20 EURO per year. Supportive members are non-voting. Supportive members donating over 500 EURO or 5000 Ethiopian Birr will be given a special certificate of acknowledgment. The membership fee for regular members currently includes a 20 ETB registration fee and an annual membership fee of 100 ETB.

