



## **DREAM Event**

**August 31, 2021, 1000-1300 Ethiopian Time**

### **Pre-Conference Event:**

#### **Cooperation and Coordination for Gully Management in Jigjiga Area**

#### **Background**

The aim of the DREAM Conferences and Pre-Conferences is to facilitate the cooperation and coordination in lowland development and to support the development of the lowlands.

Following the Development of Resilience Empowering Alternative Measures in Arid and Semi-arid Lowlands of Ethiopia conference (DREAM- I) held in Afar, September 2019, three Pre-conferences were executed: (i) Coordination Pre-Conference held on 3rd November 2020, (ii) Co-operation Pre-Conference held on 12th November 2020 and (iii) Capacitation held on 26th November 2020 as well as a number of Learning Events: (1) Fodder and Rangeland Nexus on 9 March 2021 and (2) Educational Institutionalization on 28 April 2021 and (3) Strengthening Woreda level Planning and Coordination on 16 June 2021. These Pre-Events offered good opportunities to formulate the current thinking and ways forward on important topics of coordination and cooperation. They also helped develop coalitions along the topic of strengthening drought resilience, providing a meeting platform to bring together different stakeholders such as federal and regional government partners, national and international NGOs, research institutions and international development partners active in the lowlands of Ethiopia. There is a large interest to share experiences and approaches on topics of common interest as well to strengthen more formal cooperation through the development of the Task Force, for which discussion is going on. It is planned that in the run-up to the large DREAM-II Conference (currently planned to be held in Jigjiga 20-24 September 2021), two more pre-events will be organized on topics of common interest too support and set the base for the Task Force..

The Pre-Event of 22 July on Financial Management Capacity at Woreda Level will be built on the previous events, especially the pre-event of 16 June. It will zoom in on the capacity at woreda level to manage and handle development finance, looking at capacity to plan and disburse, follow own plans, the relation with kebele and other levels (zone, region) , procedures and process of budget allocation and dealing with off-budget activities.

#### **Pre-conference**

The new Pre-Conference is planned on August 31, 2021. The event will be last three hours and will be 'hybrid': with participants attending on line and/or in meetings in Jigjiga (Jigjiga International Hotel). It will consist of a key note (by Somali Region BoANRD and GiZ), three presentations of 15-20 minutes each (by MetaMeta Team), reflections from key stakeholders, a break-out sessions and plenary/ panel discussions. The results will be placed on the DREAM website and proceedings will be produced, including the preparatory reconnaissance work.

The key notes and short presentations will be made as follows.

Time	Presentation Title with short outline	Presenter	From
1000 - 1025	Opening, introduction to the program	Introduction to the program of the day and expectations Moderator Frank van Steenberg  Key note/ opening remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supporting coordination and cooperation on the ground (Dr Elisabeth van den Akker)</li> <li>Challenges and need of cooperation and coordination toward Gully management in Jigjiga area (Dr. Abdulqadir, head, Somali Region, BoANRD)</li> <li>Eng. Shafi, City manager (to be confirmed)</li> </ul>	
1025 – 1040	Overview of Jigjiga watershed	Dr. Taye Alemayehu (MME)  Quick response/ Q&A	
1040 - 1055	Gully Control Measures	Mr. Solomon/Girma (MME)  Quick response/ Q&A	
1055 - 1110	Stakeholder Mapping for Coordinated Gully management	Mr. Assefa Kumsa (former State Minister of Mines)  Quick response/ Q&A	
1110 - 1125	Reflections from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Somali Bureau of Water</li> <li>Jigjiga Agriculture, Livestock and Environment</li> <li>Jigjiga Town Water &amp; Sewerage Authority</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Abdulahi</li> <li>Mr. Faysal</li> <li>Mr. Ahmed Tahir (to be confirmed)</li> </ul>	
1125 - 1200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What are the existing efforts and gaps</li> <li>Role of stakeholders</li> <li>How to bring cooperation and coordination towards sustainability (modalities, alignments)</li> </ul>	Moderated discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Virtual</li> <li>- Jigjiga</li> </ul>
1200 - 1210	Presentation of break out groups	Group moderators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- virtual</li> <li>- Jigjiga</li> </ul>
1210 – 1240	Panel responses	Responses from: Ministry of Peace, Environment, Forest and Climatic change Commission, Ministry of Agriculture Major programs (PSNP, LLRP) NGO coalition Donors (USAID, GIZ)	
1240 - 1300	Discussion and wrap up		