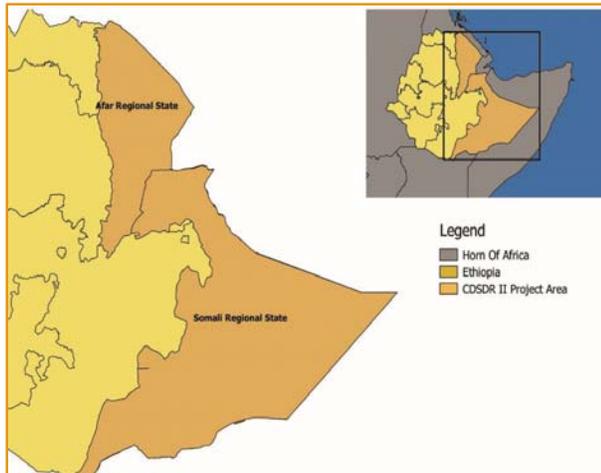




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Our Goals

State and non-state actors together with pastoral and agro-pastoral communities create the conceptual foundations for the rehabilitation and productive use of dry valleys, based upon:

- Public and private institutions at relevant levels equipped with the necessary skills to improve planning; participatory planning methods enable local extension staff to discuss appropriate organizational, management and use models with local pastoralist and agro-pastoralist (PAP) communities;
- Sustainable management and governance models enable PAP to fully exploit the potential of the DVRPU approach and ensure maintenance of the sites;
- Partners at national and regional level incorporate DVRPU approaches into their policies and strategies; coordination between all implementing stakeholders.

The goals are driven forward by the annual DREAM Conferences. It stands for “Development of Resilience Empowering Alternative Measures in Arid and Semi-arid Lowlands of Ethiopia”. CDSR-II fosters a holistic capacity building and management

approach supporting the implementation of context-specific DVRPU measures. This comprises community planning, physical and biological soil and water conservation, livelihood development, rangeland development, invasive species management, water, sanitation and hygiene and disaster risk management to rehabilitate dry valleys and enhance livelihoods in the lowlands of Afar and Somali Region. To define best practices and coordinate promising approaches, CDSR-II organizes three conferences allowing for all stakeholders’ utmost transparency of ongoing projects and approaches in the thematic area of natural resource management for fostering livelihoods of PAP communities.

- The “DREAM I” conference was held in 2019 in Afar. The conference brought more than 250 stakeholders together. Multiple action plans among stakeholders have been developed. Outcomes of DREAM I: a declaration on cooperation and thematic action plans form a basis for more coherent development cooperation with milestones until DREAM II.
- The “DREAM II” conference in September 2020 will focus on the appraisal of the implemented activities under the topic “Coordination, Cooperation, Capacity Development”. DREAM III in September 2021 will focus on upscaling for PAP in the Horn of Africa through standardizing and institutionalizing successful approaches.

Our Achievements

- First elements of the elaborated DVRPU approach are tested and disseminated for their technical, economic and organizational suitability;
- The capacities of the DVRPU-relevant education and training institutions and service providers in the regions of Afar and Somali have been extended;
- Advance monitoring and evaluation systems have been introduced to implement drought resilience measures, including successful testing of unmanned aerial systems in our project districts for planning and supervision purposes.

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