



# DEVELOPMENT OF RESILIENCE EMPOWERING MEASURES FOR ETHIOPIAN LOWLANDS

## **DREAM I Declaration**

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We, the participants of the DREAM conference, hereby pledge our commitment to meeting the following goals:

- To provide the technical and/or financial resources directly or indirectly through programming to develop innovative opportunities and context specific approaches realizing the potential of the lowlands,
- To pilot and test these opportunities and approaches improving the livelihoods of pastoral and agro-pastoral communities, while strengthening their resilience to climate change,
- To further develop existing holistic approaches for Dry Valley Rehabilitation and Productive Use,
- To communicate, network and bring on-board all stakeholders acting in the lowlands relevant to the activities described in the document.

We as stakeholders are committed to the attached action plan and to coordinate our activities with the pastoral and agro-pastoral communities. To achieve this goal, we will closely collaborate by interlinking our efforts from the ground to policy level and across the concerned sectors. The scope of our interventions covers:

- Participatory Planning,
- Biological and Physical Land Rehabilitation,
- Rangeland Management,
- Livelihoods Development,
- Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene,
- Disaster Risk Management,
- and Capacity Development.

Accordingly, we are dedicated to the action plan that is part of this declaration. We agree to set it into practice with defined actions, milestones, deadlines and designated persons and institutional responsibilities for each action.

The results and the success of the implementation of this action plan will be presented in the 2nd DREAM Conference.

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