



General Introduction to the Coffee Innovation Fund (CIF)

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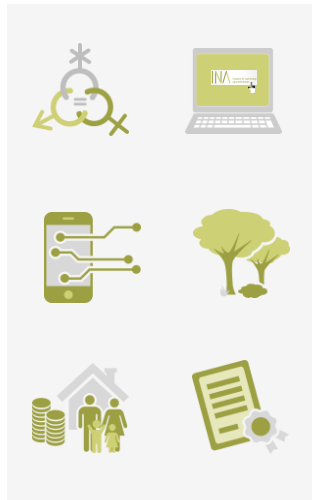


Initiative for Sustainable Agricultural Supply Chains (INA)

Together, we want to achieve greater sustainability across global agricultural supply chains and improve the living conditions of smallholders.

Our global objectives

Cross-sectoral expertise



Enable agricultural workers to earn a decent living through their labour



Ensure agricultural products are produced and traded sustainably



Increase productivity per acre to feed a growing world population



Stop deforestation to protect the climate and biodiversity

Expertise on agricultural commodities



Coffee Innovation Fund (CIF)

Promoting innovation in the coffee sector to support smallholder farmers.



Main goal:

Increased profitability for smallholder coffee farmers



Approach:

Idea competition for local companies with up to 50.000 EUR funding for 1-year pilot projects between 2019 and 2023



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Coffee Drying Process © Konjo



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CIF at a glance



- ❶ Piloting of **53 projects** with different kinds of small businesses in **7 countries** between 2019 and 2023
- ❷ Budget: 4,6 Mio. EUR
- ❸ Direct involvement of approx. **60.000 smallholder** coffee farmers



Success factors of the CIF



- ❶ **Demand-oriented** funding
- ❷ Direct impact through **granular** and **small-scale** approach
- ❸ Thematic **diversity**
- ❹ Directly addresses the **target group**
- ❺ Attracts **ambitious** and **high-potential** projects (competitive character)
- ❻ Opens up opportunities for testing of **innovative solutions**
- ❼ **Transferability** to other raw materials



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