

# Fourth annual CELEP meeting in Rome, Italy



**C E L E P**

Coalition of European Lobbies on Eastern African Pastoralism

# CELEP now is:

- “An **informal** coalition of **European & Eastern African** organisations sharing a common objective to ensure **European** and **EU member states** development policies recognise, promote and support **Eastern African pastoralism** as a sustainable viable livelihood system”.

# CELEP currently consists of:

## 25 EU members:

ACORD, Agri-Profocus, ASC, Both Ends, Concern Worldwide, Cordaid, ELD, ETC, Farm Africa, Future Agriculture, HPG, IIED, IKV Pax Kristi, IWGIA, Kimmage, LPP, Mercy Corps Europe, MRG, Oxfam, PENHA, REGLAP, Terre Nuova, VSF-B, VSF-G, WISP-IUCN.

## 6 EA partners:

COPACSO,  
KLMC,  
PDNK,  
PINGO's Forum  
PFE  
Reconcile

**CELEP rotating  
European  
Focal Point**

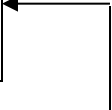
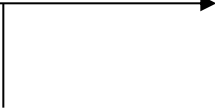
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**CELEP Core Group**

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**European Members**

**Eastern African Partners**



# History: but how did it start?

- First explorative meeting: June 2009 at Cordaid
- Present: ACTED, Oxfam GB, REGLAP, IIED, Kimmage, PA, Farm Africa, LPP, RELPA/USAID, WISP, ASC, Both Ends, IWGIA, Reconcile, IKV Pax Christi, VSF Belgium, MRG, ACORD, EPARDA, ITC, JOLIT, Entree, Cordaid: 23
- Idea for lobby-cooperation at European level born



# How it started: key choices made

Four priority focus lobby-themes chosen:

1. Putting pastoralism/ists on the European agenda: the value of pastoralism/ists as **positive contributors**/actors.
2. The key role of regulating livestock mobility.
3. Pastoralists' (cross border) access to and management of Natural Resources.
4. Pastoralism and the link to climate change (also as an opportunity)

All themes (internal)position papers written.

# How it started: key choices made

- **Organisation:** informal, voluntary, (rotating) Focal point (Cordaid 1st year), Core Group.
- CELEP member organises annual meeting.
- First core group: IWGIA, REGLAP/Oxfam GB, Kimmage, WISP, HoA network/PACAPS, FARM Africa and IKV Pax Christi.
- Communication via a regular newsletter.
- Annual plan via (joint) pledges by participants

# June 2010: First CELEP annual meeting in Dublin, Kimmage

- 18 partner organisations present during meeting: Practical Action, Friends of Lake Turkana, Concern, Irish Aid, Kimmage, IIED, Acord, Oxfam Ireland, Reglap, CARE, VSF Belgium, ASC, Both Ends, Vivat International, PFE, Spiritans, RREAD, Cordaid.



# June 2011: Second CELEP meeting Rugby, UK

## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- EU MEP Fiona Hall informed on land issues
- 19 CELEP member organisations participated (PA, VSF Belgium, Reconcile, REGLAP PINGO's, ODI, Oxfam Ireland, Concern, PENHA, Kimmage, Entree, UK Food group, Terra Nuova, Justitia et Pax, IWGIA, Nomadic Peoples, ACORD, PENHA, Cordaid)
- Cordaid Focal Point re-elected 2011/2012
- CELEP Core group elected: IIED, IWGIA, PA, REGLAP, VSF Belgium & Cordaid

# October 2012: Third CELEP annual meeting in Brussels, Belgium

## **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- EC DEVO Bernard Rey informed on pastoralist' position of the European Commission
- EP MEP Sargentini informed on CSPs and role of national funding and on ACP-EU cooperation
- 16 CELEP members and partners participated: Cordaid, Reconcile, Kimmage, IKV Pax Kristi, ODI, DADO (Ug.), KOPEIN (Ug.), Reconcile, Oxfam, IUCN-WISP, IIED, PENHA, VSF-Belgium, KLMC, ETC and PFE
- VSF-Belgium elected focal point 2013
- New Core group: VSF-B, Cordaid, Concern, IIED, PENHA, Reconcile, PFE

# Brussels EU activity pledges

1. Follow-up with SDC on their Horn of Africa program/policy (ETC – VSFB)
  - Follow-up communications sent through Ggroup
  - The program is now available online, focusses on FS/rural development, Health, Good governance and Migration
    - (+) Outcome FS/RD regarding livestock
    - (+) References to AU Pasto FW and COMESA Policy Framework on Food Security in Pastoral Areas

# Brussels EU activity pledges

2. Irish presidency of the EU (January – June 2013). (Irish members)

## Main activities:

- Dublin conference on Hunger, Nutrition Climate Justice held on the 15-16 of April 2013.
- AWEPA conference on Africa's Development future: "Land, Hope and Hunger" on the 27-28 of June

# Brussels EU activity pledges

3. Mobilise for more EU support from EU MEPs (Brits, Germans, VSF-B and Cordaid)
  - MEP Fiona Hall (JPA ACP-EU)
  - MEP Schnieber-Jastram : self-initiated PCD report.
    - Art. 38: Welcomes the fact that the relevance of **smallholder farming** for combating hunger is recognised by the EU **and that adaptation measures are priorities in the food security agenda**; underlines that support for women smallholder farmers is especially relevant;

# Brussels EU activity pledges

3. Mobilise for more EU support from EU MEPs (Brits, Germans, VSF-B and Cordaid)
  - Follow-up on MEP Schnieber – Jastram: self-initiated PCD Report:
    - Art.70: Calls for specific attention to be devoted to the special needs of smallholder **agriculture and livestock farmers** facing the consequences of climate change in any policy and agreements **entailing possible reduction of, or constraints in the access to, resources for food production, such as land, water, mobility, among others;**

# Brussels EU activity pledges

3. Mobilise for more EU support from EU MEPs (Brits, Germans, VSF-B and Cordaid)
  - Follow-up on MEP Berman and MEP Striffler
    - Participation in an educational film on small scale livestock farming and climate change
    - 2012: conference EP Strasbourg SSLF and CC
    - Amendments in the legislative text concerning **Development Cooperation Initiative** ('12-'13).

# Brussels EU activity pledges

## **DCI:**

- 14 billion euros
- Geographic and thematic programs
- Pan-African Program to support joint Africa-EU strategy
- Amendments in the annexes within thematic programs



# Brussels EU activity pledges

- DCI amendments:
  - Annex 5 chapter a: “**Recognizing the decisive role of agriculture and livestock-keeping in climate change policies by promoting smallholder agriculture and livestock farming** as autonomous adaptation and mitigation strategies in the South due to their **sustainable use of natural resources such as water and pasture**”.
  - Annex 5, chapter a: “Promoting the development of sustainable smallholder agriculture and livestock-keeping through ecosystem-based, low carbon and climate-resilient secure access to technology (including information and communication technologies), **through the recognition, promotion and reinforcement of local and autonomous adaptation strategies with regard to climate change**, and through extension and technical services, rural development schemes, productive and responsible investment measures, in accordance with international guidelines, **sustainable land and natural resource management, protection of land rights of the population in its various form and access to land for local populations, protection of genetic diversity, in an enabling economic environment;** (AM 218)

# Brussels EU activity pledges

3. Mobilise for more EU support from EU MEPs (Brits, Germans, VSF-B and Cordaid)
  - Follow-up on MEP Berman and MEP Striffler
  - New MEP Support from Belgium: MEP Staes and MEP Tarabella
    - Organisation of a **conference** in the European Parliament on climate change and livestock on September 17th (CELEP participation – involvement)

# Brussels EU activity pledges

4. UK meeting on pastoralism for UK parliamentarians and other policy makers (IIED and PENHA).
5. Write new backdonor proposals for CELEP support (PENHA, TN, Cordaid and VSFB) (to be continued on day 3).

# Brussels EU activity pledges

6. Develop some cases on how supporting pastoralism can contribute to improving security (IKV-Pax Kristi, ODI, IIED, KOPEIN, VSF-UG and DADO)
7. Integrate pastoralism in UPR processes (Cordaid – IWGIA)

# Brussels EU activity pledges

8. Influence Agenda for Change, final document (Cordaid and VSFB)
  - Deadline was to near to AM in 2012
  - Follow-up with MEP Kaczmarek
  
9. Engage with CONCORD (VSFB)
  - CELEP now member of EFSG
  - Participation in workshop of Cotonou Group

# Brussels EU activity pledges

## 10. Follow-up visit M.Rey (VSFB, Cordaid and Penha)

- Lunch meeting to present book on “Pastoralism and development in Africa”
- Link up with permanent country representatives to try and influence the Council

# Brussels EU activity pledges

## 11. Follow up on ACP-JPA (Cordaid –VSFB)

- MEP Fiona Hall
- Presentation at the ENV/SOC CMT
- Report on pastoralism
- Final Document: will be presented in Addis on November 25-26. Ideas:
  - Side event
  - Field visit for MEPs

# Brussels EU activity pledges

12. Influence EU docs/communications that are published and try to include pastoralism in them (VSFB)

- Participation in consultation on humanitarian aid
- Direct interaction with commission: to be continued

13. CSP/RSP trainings for CSO's (Cordaid)



# Other examples of actions taken

- Trying to set-up for EDD
- Attending EU Development briefings
- Activities with VSFE
  - Conference European Parliament on SSLF and CC
  - Conference at the EC infopoint
- Organizing symposium on pastoralism with belgian platform be-troplive in November
- On the national level: integration of pastoralism in activities of Coalition Against Hunger

# Brussels organisational pledges

## 1. Financing strategy for CELEP

- All members were contacted
- Different funding possibilities: 500–1000 – 3000, depending on the possibilities of member
- Solidarity

To be continued on day 3

## 2. Celep website: Ann continued managing the website during 2013

# Brussels organisational pledges

3. CELEP members and partners put a link on their website: done?
  
3. Document on Focal Point and Core Group tasks/roles
  - Included in the website

# Brussels organisational pledges

## 4. CELEP-CELAP

- Exchanges through email
- Conclusion, difficult: language barriers
- Existing West-African communication network: PFCPA
- Idea:
  - Promote exchanges between both groups
  - Common positions – lobby actions e.g. AU pastoralism framework

## 5. Ethiopian Case

# Hopes outcomes Brussels meeting:

- Organizational
  - Funding: contributions + EU NSA/LA call
  - Synergies other initiatives
  - CELEP/CELAP
  - Reelection as FP
- Operational:
  - Regional pledges EA: involvement EA partners
  - Follow-up JPA
  - Pledges on EU lobby 2013

# CELEP Rome MEETING

THANK YOU!

