



Restoring dignity to small scale producers in Zimbabwe

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Greetings from Fairtrade Support Network Zimbabwe

To our Verein Family

Fairtrade certification is a key and innovative way of bringing development to communities in Zimbabwe. Our experiences as Fairtrade Support Network Zimbabwe have shown us that with adequate training and preparation, communities can develop long term sustainable development and can develop community led and run project through accessing markets that work for them.

To that end, Fairtrade Support Network Zimbabwe has continued work with communities particularly focused in developing communities by means of partnering with organizations providing them with our specialised trainings in areas that they are interested in. Our training has been hindered mainly because we could not gather crowds for trainings (which is our main area of expertise).

One of our key strategic key areas during our planning meeting with Linda Kleeman and Katja Suhr was to offer our training services to organizations and companies that require our specialised skills. This has seen us training Rural District council officers in Access and Benefit sharing as well as communities in Binga, Mudzi, Chivi, Umzingwane and Bubi in sustainable harvesting of wild species for ABS certification as well as cultivation of drought resistant crops.

In 2022 we aim to continue partnerships such as these as well as trainings in communities as well as align ourselves with key partners who are working in the field of Social development and livelihood enhancements and conduct more social and economic projects in the communities.



Conducting a processing workshop with GAP farmers

Training farmers on GAP certification



Mr Andrew Mhaka conducting trainings with Marula Harvesters in Chivi



Training of Chivi RDC on behalf of KAZA



Data collection of farmer details

This has been a learning experience filled with adjustments however allow me to extend my sincere gratitude for your efforts and continuous encouragement as we seek to become a brand when it comes to trainings and community development in Zimbabwe.

Sincerely,

Shamiso Mungwashu

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