Living Income

Recap on the outcomes and key points from past meetings

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What has been done so far?

- Industry/Standards meeting November 2014- SFL, GIZ, ISEAL and Utz
- January 2015 – one day workshop preceding SFL performance measurement annual meeting, Washington DC
- 2 day Workshop in February 2015 at GIZ Headquarters: Working towards the calculation and use of a living income benchmark for agricultural commodities
- Working meeting in May 2015 at GIZ Berlin Living Income: A discussion on Methodology and Use
- Discussion note on Living Income & Introduction paper (2-pager developed by GIZ, SFL and ISEAL)
- Working Groups launched September 2015
Key points/outcomes:

- LI provides opportunity to draw more attention to the issue of economic sustainability;
- Terminology: Living Income vs. Decent Livelihoods
- Potential use, stakeholders’ roles and approaches to reach LI manifold
- Need of clarify and harmonize methodological questions as well as how to operationalize the concept; further scalability, business case, availability of data etc. remain challenging
- Linking Living Wage Methodology to Living Income to assure consistency and avoid duplicating efforts
Next steps & agreements:

- Further involvement & collaboration of stakeholders for improvement of methodology through working groups:
  - Measurement of Living Income & linking to Living Wage methodology
  - Measurement of actual household income – methods and available data
  - Farm economics model – methods and available data
  - Follow-up meeting end of 2015/beginning of 2016
Thank you!
Proposal: Working group 3: Farm economics model – methods and available data

Objective: Share existing experiences; gathering and development of key learnings and recommendations for methodology and use

Proposed work plan for next 6 months:

- Review: Presentation and sharing of existing approaches, experiences and existing data (several presentations of different stakeholders)
- Gathering of key lessons learnt and development of recommendations concerning methodology and use
- Develop outline for guiding document
- By an in-person meeting, be able to share field experience, present methodological recommendations and outline for guiding document