



The primary mission of EDRI is to conduct research on the development of the Ethiopian economy and disseminate the results.

Goals and Objectives of EDRI:

- Disseminate results of policy research
- Build professional excellence and capacity in socio-economic policy analysis
- Develop policy research rooted in rigorous analysis that is responsive to the needs of policy makers
- Create a research agenda that examines short, medium and long term issues
- Serve as an effective forum for discussing development issues among key stakeholders.

Current Programs Hosted by EDRI:

- Young Lives Project (YLP) with a consortium of international collaborators.
- International Food Policy Research Institute -Ethiopia Strategy Support Program II (IFPRI-ESSPII)
- Environmental Economics Policy Forum for Ethiopia (EEPFE) with Gothenburg University.
- Ethiopian Growth Research Program (IGC, EGRP) with the International Growth Center of U.K

Partners

- Institute of Development Studies of Sussex (U.K)
- GRIPS-National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (Japan)
- University of Oxford, U.K
- London School of Economics and Political Science, U.K
- University of

EDRI Vision: An Emerging Think Tank Group engaged in research, training and consultancies. Founded in August 1999 as semi-autonomous government development research institute, sponsored by the Ethiopian government, ACBF, UNDP, IDRC-TTI and IFPRI/ESSP.

News!

- EDRI launched its Working Paper Series with Yabibal Mulualem's research paper titled "Tourist Flows and Its Determinants in Ethiopia" as the first issue of the series.
- A high-level African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF) delegation, led by the Executive Secretary, Dr. Frannie Leautier visited EDRI and other donor and government offices to discuss current and future partnerships.
- ACBF made annual supervision mission to EDRI on 22 June 2010.

Seminars, Workshops and Conference

- ESSP II/EDRI conducted a half day seminar on:
 - "Transportation Costs in East Africa" by Stan Wood and Guo Zhe (IFPRI) at EDRI on April 6th, 2010.
 - "Willingness to Pay - ERHS" by Ruth Vargas Hill (IFPRI) at AAU on April 13th, 2010
 - "Rural / Urban Transformation in Ethiopia: CGE Simulation" by Paul Dorosh (IFPRI-ESSP) at EDRI on April 20th, 2010.
- EDRI organized a one day workshop on "Progress in Meeting PASDEP/MDG Goals in Developing Regions of Ethiopia: Results from Desk Review Study" by Dr. Tadesse Kuma, at EDRI, on April 28, 2010.
- ESSP II/EDRI conducted a half day Seminar on "ERHS Migration Findings" by Tassew Woldehanna and Lisa Moorman at AAU on May 6th, 2010
- IGC organized a three days workshop on "Research/Policy visit on Industrial Mapping in Ethiopia" at EDRI and Addis Ababa Hilton Hotel, on June 7, 2010.
- IGC and EDRI held a half day seminar on the research findings of the IGC research team on "Industrial Mapping and MSEs", June 8, 2010.
- EDRI organized a half day seminar on "Poverty Traps, Aid & Optimal Public Policy" by Yoseph Getachew, at EDRI, on July 22, 2010.
- ESSP II/EDRI, in collaboration with Ethiopian Economic Association (EEA) organized an International Conference on the Ethiopian Economy on June 24 - 26, 2009 at the EEA Conference Center that was attended by about 448 participants.
- EDRI participated in organizing Kaizen Training to metalworking and engineering enterprises with GRIPS, 19 July – 6 August, 2010.
- EDRI and the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) met with researchers, high-level experts from government institutions and the donor community on the energy and agriculture sectors on July 21 and 27, 2010, respectively as part of a research on green growth.

Training

- "Training on Introduction to GIS" by Emily Schmidt (ESSP II) was given at ILRI on April 22-23, 2010.
- Eyassu Tsehay attended a training workshop on "Methodologies for Estimating Quarterly GDP" in Uganda, April 26-30, 2010.
- "Market Price Training" by Guush Berhane (EESP II), Stefano Caria and Paul Dorosh (ESSP II) was conducted at ILRI on May 3-5, 2010.
- "CGE/GAMS Training" was given by Paul Dorosh (ESSP II) at EDRI on 14th April, 20th April and 19th May 2010.
- Dr. Alebel Bayrau participated in a training program on "Natural Resources and Energy Economies" in Tanzania, July 12 – 16, 2010, organized by UNCTAD.
- The Director of Programs attended a training program on M&E, organized by ACBF in Nairobi, July, 12-16, 2010.

Networking

- The African Centre for Economic Transformation (ACET), based in Accra, Ghana forged collaboration with EDRI to produce reports on the Economic Transformation of African Countries, including Ethiopia, once every two years.
- EDRI and the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) have established a partnership to conduct research on climate change and green growth.

Staff News!

- Sara Lakew(EDRI) was promoted to Personnel Clerk on June, 2010.
- Mintewab Temesgen(EDRI) was promoted to Accountant IV on April, 2010.



Upcoming Event/Research

- Dr. Gezahegn Ayele and Dr. Tadesse Kuma will hold a seminar on “Food Price Surges and Price Transmission in Ethiopia: Implications and Policy Option” at EDRI conference room on 3rd August 2010.
- TTI/IDRC will make an institutional visit to EDRI on 9th August 2010.
- Dr. Tadesse Kuma plans to hold a seminar on “Official and Unofficial Livestock Marketing in Ethiopia” at EDRI conference hall.



The SAM/CGE Team Presented Three Papers at the Eighth International Conference on the Ethiopian Economy, June 24 – 26, 2010, EEA Conference Center, Addis Ababa (see paper details under Meetings and Presentations to the right)

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Ongoing Research

- Hashim Ahmed and the macro-economic team (EDRI) “Construction of a Social Accounting Matrix for 2007/08”, and “Study on the Ethiopian Tax System”.
- Dr. Tadesse Kuma (EDRI), “Power Asymmetry in the Coffee Value Chain and Producers Price in Ethiopia: Implication for Poverty Reduction”
- Dr. Tadesse Kuma (EDRI), “Performance of Agricultural Marketing Cooperatives in Ethiopia: Opportunities and Constraints”.
- Dr. Gezahegn Ayele (EDRI), “Poultry Value Chains and HPAI in Ethiopia”.
- Dr. Gezahegn Ayele (EDRI), “Evaluating Risk Management Options to Reduce the Risk of HPAI”.
- Dr. Alebel Bayrau “The Livestock Sector and its Contribution to Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction in Ethiopia”.
- Tigabu Degu (EDRI), “Metal Work Survey & Training”.
- Alemu Tulu and Birouke Tefera (EDRI), “Analysis of Formal Sector Employment in the Oromiya Regional State”.
- Hansa Teklay (EDRI), “Investigating Challenges and Opportunities in the Foreign Trade Sector”.
- EDRI, “Survey on Consumption, Savings and Investment Behavior of Successful Farmers in Ethiopia” funded by IDRC, ACBF and IFPRI-ESSP II.
- Dr. Wassie Berhanu and Dr. Hussien Hamda, “Policy and Strategy for Urban Agriculture”.
- Dr. Tekie Alemu and Ato Jonse Bane, “Urban Growth and Urbanization Processes in Ethiopia since the early 60s”.
- Meseret Molla and Zewdu Ayalew, “Domestic Demand for Coffee in Ethiopia”.
- Ibrahim Worku, “Road Transport in Ethiopia”.
- Yohannes Sefere, “Status of Irrigated Agriculture in Ethiopia”.
- ESSPII/EDRI, Emily Schmidt and Dr. Tassew Woldehanna, “Adoption and Initial Impacts of Sustainable Land and Watershed Management Practices in Ethiopia”.

Completed Research

- Mihret Alemu, “Micro-Credit and Agricultural – Non – Agricultural Development in Ethiopia”.
- Tigabu Degu, et al (EDRI), “The Level of Competitiveness of Major Exportables in Ethiopia and the Relevance of Trade and Macro-economic Policies” with MoTI.
- Tigabu Degu (EDRI), “The Kaizen 2010 survey” with MoTI and GRIPS.
- Dr. Gezahegn Ayele (EDRI), “Investigating the Role of Poultry in Livelihoods and the Potential Impact of HPAI on Livelihoods in Ethiopia”.
- Dr. Tadesse Kuma and Dr. Gezahegn Ayele (EDRI), “Trends of International Food Price Hikes and the Domestic Prices”.
- Tsegay Gebre-kidan (EDRI), “The Real Estate in Addis Ababa: Performance, Challenges and Opportunities”.
- Hansa Teklay, et al (EDRI), “The Impact of WTO Accession on Economic Growth, Poverty, Female Labour Participation and Child Labour: Lessons from a Dual-Dual Micro CGE Model” with MoTI.

Meetings and Presentations

- Dr. Tadesse Kuma presented a paper titled “An Outlook of the Future Food Price and Supply Situation in Ethiopia” in Kigali, Rwanda, organized by COMESA, 3-5, May 2010.
- Biruke Tafere (EDRI), Frehiwot Fantaw (EDRI) and Zewdu Ayalew presented a paper on “The Implication of Crude Oil Price Shock and Subsidizing the Oil Market on the Ethiopian Economy” at the Eight International Conference on the Ethiopian Economy on June 24 – 26, 2010, EEA Conference Center.
- Ermias Dessie (EDRI), Rahel Solomon (EDRI), Zenaye Tekle (EDRI) and Meseret Molla (EDRI) presented a paper on “A CGE Analysis of the Impact of Improved Irrigation on Crop Production in Ethiopia – A Case Study on Selected Crops” at the Eight International Conference on the Ethiopian Economy on June 24 – 26, 2010, EEA Conference Center.
- Eyasu Tsehay (EDRI), Seneshaw Tamiru (ESSP II) and Ermias Engida (ESSP II) presented a paper on “Economy –wide Impact of Electricity Shortage – A CGE Analysis” at the Eight International Conference on the Ethiopian Economy on June 24 – 26, 2010, EEA Conference Center.