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OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH IN THE GLOBAL COFFEE SUPPLY CHAIN

Main features and key results in
Mexico, Colombia and Honduras

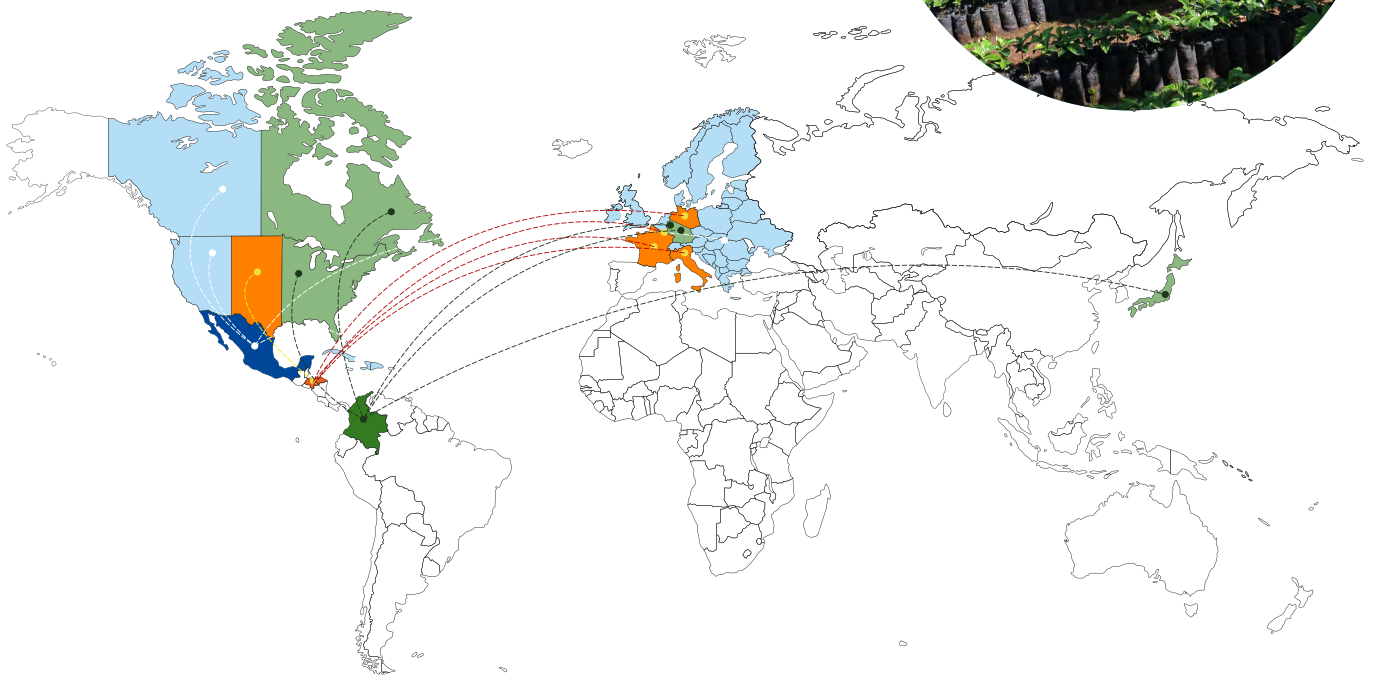
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OVERVIEW

Coffee is an important source of income for 20-25 million families worldwide. It is produced across Latin America, Africa, and Asia, in more than 50 developing countries. And, every day, [coffee workers face a wide spectrum of risks at work](#). However, coffee farmers are often not aware of the risks to which they are exposed and lack the knowledge or the means to prevent these safety and health risks.

Between 2019 and 2022, Vision Zero Fund implemented a project to **reduce the exposure of female and male workers in the global coffee supply chain to occupational safety and health (OSH) hazards**. Through country-level activities in three of the most important coffee-producing countries in the world – **Colombia (world’s 3rd biggest producer), Honduras (6th), and Mexico (9th)** – the project [developed and tested](#) evidence-based interventions that consisted of a **mix of policy and market interventions** aimed at boosting drivers and removing constraints for OSH improvement.

The global coffee supply chain with a focus on Colombia, Mexico and Honduras and their main export markets: Canada, the United States, Spain, France, Germany, Belgium, Italy, and Japan.



MEXICO
U.S
Spain
Belgium
Germany
Canada

HONDURAS
Germany
Belgium
U.S
Italy
France

COLOMBIA
U.S
Japan
Germany
Belgium
Canada

Project duration:

1 February 2019 – 30 September 2022

Donor:

European Commission

Budget:

EUR 1,955,412

MAIN FEATURES

SERVICES

- **Adopting and implementing a [collective action approach](#)** involving a diverse range of stakeholders.
- **Facilitating a commitment to OSH among social partners.**
- **Highlighting the importance of women's participation in coffee production**, through [targeted OSH research in Mexico and Colombia](#), that led to the implementation of gender-sensitive OSH interventions.
- **Implementing a rapid response to support stakeholders in their efforts to address [COVID-19-related OSH challenges](#)** that was amplified through south-south collaboration.

PRODUCTS

- **Adopting a strategic approach to capacity development** that included the joint development of virtual OSH platforms with national stakeholders to scale training outcomes.
- **Prioritizing knowledge sharing and learning** that included a [coffee toolkit](#) that contains 20 knowledge products developed and piloted through the project (recognized by the ILO Regional Office for Latin America as the "best innovative intervention" for 2020-2021).
- **Informing future policy discussions through knowledge products** (eg. [drivers and constraints study](#), COVID-19 protocol for the agriculture sector, etc.).
- **Integrating capacity building modules** in national institutions (for example through online training platforms).



KEY RESULTS

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Global Supply Chain

3

Countries (Colombia, Honduras, Mexico)

66

Knowledge, awareness raising and training products

8,500+

Tripartite representatives and other sectoral stakeholders benefiting directly from VZF interventions (58% of whom were women)

11

Global, Regional and National events

3MIL

Workers benefiting indirectly from VZF interventions (estimated)

35

Project Partners

WHAT'S NEXT?

[The Fund continues to establish strategic alliances](#) to increase awareness, strengthen capacity development, and amplify impact on OSH throughout the global coffee supply chain.

VISION ZERO FUND

Vision Zero Fund brings together governments, employers' and workers' organizations, companies, and other stakeholders to advance towards the vision of achieving zero severe and fatal work-related accidents, injuries and diseases in global supply chains. The Fund works at global, country and workplace levels, and currently focuses on the agriculture and garment supply chains. It is an initiative of the G7, and has been endorsed by the G20. The International Labour Organization (ILO) administers the Fund and implements its projects.

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