

Small scale farmers in supply chains Action plan

Supporting small scale farmers is a key element of our human rights strategy, which outlines our commitment to ensuring fair remuneration in our supply chains.

We have committed to publishing an action plan including time-bound key measures to promote small scale farmers:

- 1. We will publish our strategy on the topic of fair remuneration (2023).
- 2. We have integrated the topic of fair remuneration into our annual risk analysis, considering potential for different income situations of men and women (2022 onwards).
- 3. We will educate our buyers on the topic of living wages (2023).
- 4. We support smallholder farmers with access to and use of agricultural equipment to increase the efficiency of their crop yields, and to diversify their produce, thus strengthening their resilience (2022 onwards).
- 5. We support smallholder farmers in increasing their income, e.g., by providing access to financial means, agricultural diversification programs and business administration courses (2022 onwards).
- 6. We promote gender equality and ensure equal participation of both sexes to minimize the gender pay gap (2022 onwards).
- 7. We pay school scholarships for the children of smallholder farmers (2022 onwards).
- 8. We engage in regular exchange with stakeholders on funding smallholder farmers (2022 onwards).
- 9. We support smallholder farmers by helping them to form cooperatives (2023 onwards).