



Lake Tana Stakeholder Alliance for Ecological Conservation and Sustainable Economic Development, Ethiopia (August 2023 – February 2027)

Context

The **Lake Tana Biosphere Reserve** in Ethiopia's Amhara National Regional State spans 700,000 hectares and houses over 2.5 million people. It's known for endemic fish, crucial bird nesting wetlands, and a rich cultural heritage. Population growth has strained resources, creating a demand for food and housing, while waste management is a concern, causing pollution.

In the follow-up project of the **Water for Life Partnership**, the aim is to enhance the Multiple Stakeholder Partnership (MSP), engage various stakeholders, address gaps, and establish a sustainable alliance for interdisciplinary problem-solving.

NABU Ethiopia has initiated the project '**Lake Tana Stakeholder Alliance for Ecological Conservation and Sustainable Economic Development**' in 2023, with the goal of tackling challenges, including weak partnership cooperation and resource threats.

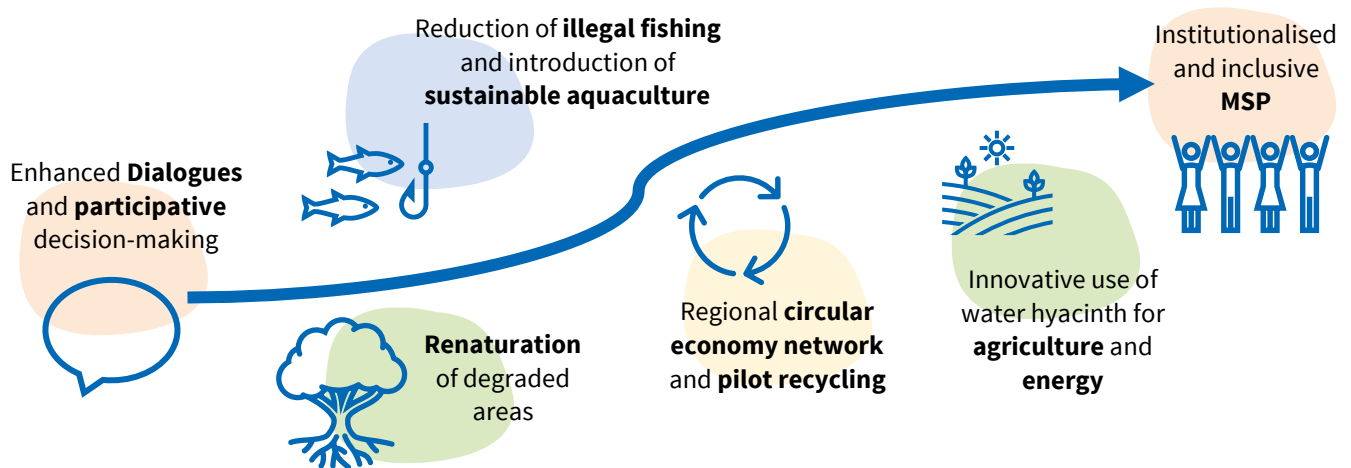




Impacts

- **Empowerment:** The Lake Tana Stakeholder Alliance institution will empower stakeholders, and launch **pilot projects** for ecosystem restoration, nature-friendly income, circular economy, and waste reduction.
- **MSP Dialogue Structure:** Strengthening the network, ensuring inclusivity, and enhancing stakeholder involvement. We focus on gender, youth, and sustainability to promote long-term regional development.
- **Capacity Development and Mobilization:** Empowering local communities through team building, technical exchange, and regular dialogue forums. We establish a Knowledge Management Centre and offer training to boost community engagement and environmental awareness.
- **Working Groups (WGs):** LTBRA's three Working Groups (Resource Conservation, Circular Economy, and Advocacy) address regional challenges, including ecosystem restoration and waste management, aiming to create positive change and sustainable income.

Key outputs



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