



The IWCA El Salvador Chapter, also known as the [Alianza de Mujeres en Café de El Salvador \(AMCES\)](#) is very pleased and proud to have among the members of the organization with SONIA MEIJER, HONORY COUNCIL of El Salvador in the Netherlands, president and Founder of Holland-Salvadoran Chamber of Commerce.

This Alliance between both organizations will enable the possibility to seek funds accomplish important knowledge transfer activities to the AMCES members and broader community for two key environmental projects:

1. Educational activities related to **recycling, reuse and reduction of the use of plastic.**
2. **Climate change mitigation** through coffee farm soil conservation, including the capture of rain water and soil restoration.

IWCA El Salvador Chapter has members in all the country and works with projects focused on FIVE Key Strategies: **Leadership** building among members, **Social Projects** with coffee farm communities, **Education** from seed to cup with workshops open to coffee family producers, promotes **Direct Trade** and exposes members coffees to buyers to increase families profitability, Influences **Policy and Advocacy** in benefit of women.

IWCA El Salvador Chapter was founded in 2007 and obtain the legal status in 2008; nowadays has members in all Salvadoran Coffee Regions and is connected to the IWCA Global network of women in coffee from 24 countries to exchange experiences in pursuit of the shared IWCA Mission to empower women in the international coffee community to achieve meaningful and sustainable lives; and to encourage and recognize the participation of women in all aspects of the coffee industry

Our chapter has a program with micro credit loans sponsored by Rotary Club of San Diego, California and Earth Choice Women in Coffee Micro Finance too support and strengthen our fourth key strategy. For more detailed information about the projects, including opportunities to join this effort, contact **Maria Botto, IWCA El Chapter President:** maria.iwca@gmail.com.

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