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Educational background

- Educational background: Bed in Geography and Environmental studies from Jimma University in 2008, MSc in Geographic Information Science and Remote Sensing from Wageningen University, The Netherlands in 2012, and PhD in Natural Resource Management (Specialization in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation) from Jimma University in January 2023.
- Research interest: land use land cover change, climate change adaptation and mitigation, climate smart agriculture, biodiversity conservation, ecotourism suitability evaluation and assessment, environmental impact assessment.

Short Biography

Dr. Dessalegn Obsi Gemed is a professional in the field of geospatial technologies, environmental studies, and climate change. His work is mainly focused on the application of geospatial techniques in assessing and addressing environmental issues, particularly in Ethiopia. Land suitability evaluation, agricultural drought assessment, the impact of forest cover change on carbon stock and land surface temperature, and biodiversity conservation are some of the key areas of his research.

The author's also study about urban expansion and its impact on land use and land cover changes. They have conducted comprehensive analyses on urban heat island dynamics, urban green space suitability, and the correlation of forest and wetland with land surface temperature. In addition, the author has shown a keen interest in the study of climate change and its impacts. They have conducted research on the evidence of climate change in southwestern Ethiopia, the analysis of meteorological data trends, and the assessment of climate change adaptation strategies. Their work has had a significant impact on the understanding of environmental changes and challenges in Ethiopia, and their research findings have been widely cited. Moreover, the author is working with multi-stakeholders to enhance the conservation of biodiversity in southwestern part of Ethiopia.

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