N2Africa project in strengthening the capacity of partners working within legume value chains in Ethiopia

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About N2Africa

- N2Africa is a large scale, science-based “research-in-development” project, launched in Ethiopia in January 2014.
- Vision of success:
  - Build sustainable, long-term partnerships to enable smallholder farmers to benefit from symbiotic N₂-fixation by grain legumes through effective production technologies including inoculants and fertilizers.
  - Contribute to enhancing soil fertility, improving household nutrition, and increasing the income levels of smallholder farmers.
  - Target grain legumes are chickpea, common bean, faba bean and soybean.
  - A strong national expertise in grain legume production and N₂-fixation research and development are the legacy of the project.

Capacity building: One of the four pillars of the N2Africa PPP model

- N2Africa believes local capacity building is a key success factor to sustain the pipeline for delivery of continuous improvement in legume production technologies tailored to local settings.

- Stakeholders’ capacity development ranges from organizational (physical) to enhancing human competencies on improved legume technologies, agribusiness, gender mainstreaming, legume value addition and nutrition.