

Road Map for MoBreed & GENES Project

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Introduction

- **Ebonyi State University alongside other African Universities has won 2 intra-Africa Academic Mobility Projects of the European Union.**
 - **MoBreed: Mobility for Breeders in Africa for Orphan Crops**
 - “Enhancing training and research mobility for novel crops breeding in Africa” – 2016
 - Promote the underutilized crops in Africa to tackle food security issues on the continent.
 - Funded by European Union



GENES:

- “Mobility for Plant Genomics Scholars to accelerate climate-smart adaptation options and food security in Africa” – 2017.
 - University of Abomey-Calavi-Benin]
 - Jimma University – Ethiopia
 - University of Yaounde 1 – Cameroon
 - Wageningen University –Netherlands
- Funded by Education, Culture and Audiovisual Executive Agency (EACEA),



These projects resulted to the

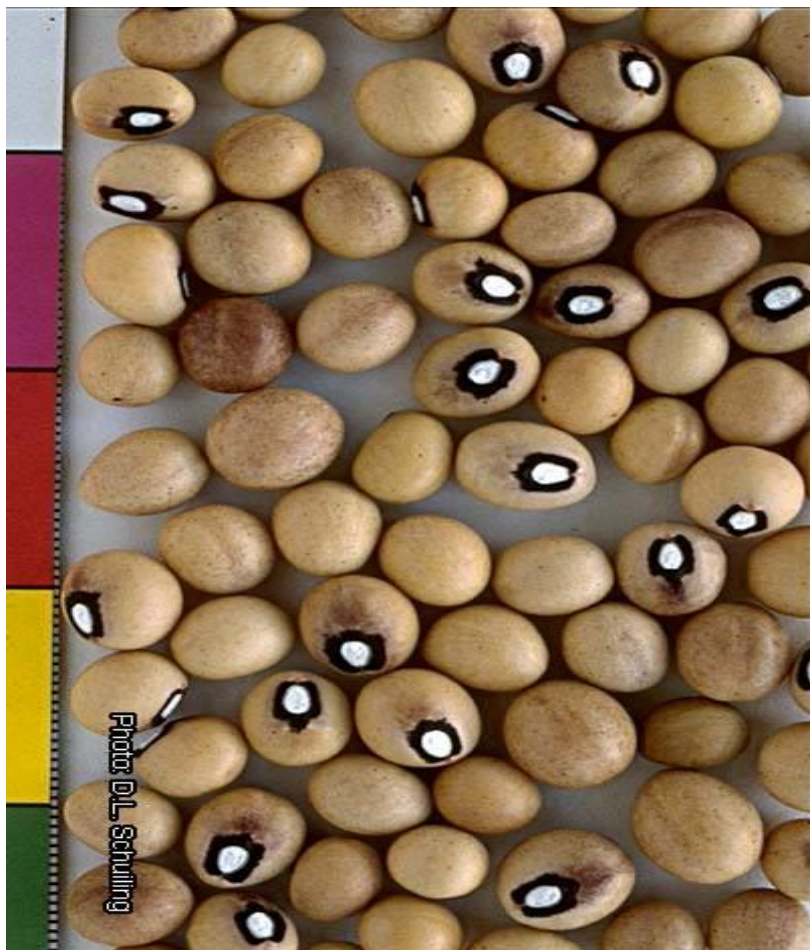
University welcoming her first and second cohorts of international students.

MoBreed Project

MoBreed project is to produce 10 high profile orphan crop breeders and train a new generation of 38 scientists at the MSc level.



Some Orphan Crops



Vigna subterranea



Macrotyloma geocarpum



Digitalia exilis (Fonio)



Amaranthus cruentus



Colocasia esculentus (Taro)



**Final Seminar Presentation for 2
students from Ethiopia - 1st cohort
of MoBreed students.**





MoBreed students on ground

S/N	Surname	Other names	Degree
1	Tilahun	Wondimu Fufa	PhD
2	Codja	Marie Michelle	MSc
3	Eliel	Sossou Belchrist	MSc



GENES Project

GENES offers opportunity for **training young scholars** to equip them in designing and developing molecular approaches to breeding in the face of climate change.

Project will:

1. Produce **10 world-class molecular plant breeders** at PhD level.
2. Train next generation of **36 high skill genomics scientists** at M.SC level;
3. Harmonize training programs and research agenda across partner institutions;
4. Foster national – regional – global collaboration



GENES students on ground

S/N	Surname	Other names	Degree
1	Agossou	Aboegnonhou Chaldia Odette	PhD
2	Degbey	Herve	PhD
3	Issa Zakari	Mahaman Mourtala	PhD
4	Mekonen	Desalegn A	MSc
5	Nkunzimana	Jean B.	MSc



Programme for the students

PhD Programme

- Students are funded for a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 4 years
- Academic activities include taught courses as well as research work to be packaged as thesis.

MSc Programme

- MSc students have a maximum of 12 months to stay in EBSU for their research work.
- They are therefore students at M2 of their Masters degree programme in their home country.
- They will complete their research work (co-supervised by home and host supervisors) and return home to present research findings prior to award of degree.



- **We once more welcome all our students and wish them well in EBSU.**
- **As a host institution, we will do our best to make your stay memorable and to enable you achieve your academic ambition.**
- **We will continue to give a personal touch in our dealings with students, that makes us stand out among our equals.**



GENES Partners and EU Project Rep



**Ebonyi State
University**

Thank you