

## 12. CoEX

### ABSTRACT

**Year :** 200

**Project number :**

**Type of funding :**

**Project type :**

**Research units in the network :**

**Start date :** 2017-01-01

**End date :** 2019-12-31

**Flagship project :** yes

**Project leader :**

**Project leader's institution :**

**Project leader's RU :**

**Budget allocated :** €

**Total budget allocated ( including co-financing ) :** €

**Funding :**

### GOAL

The CoEx project is a {{multidisciplinary project}} that brings together scientific, political and civil society actors, around the {{study of the seed system}}. The objectives of the project are :  
-\* to {{understand the gap between regulations and laws on seeds and genetic resources and the reality on the ground}} in the diversity of cultivation practices and seed use in West Africa (Senegal, Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger) ;  
-\* to propose {{governance mechanisms}} that better take into account the diversity of crop management practices and methods.

### ACTION

The CoEx project is structured in 3 work packages (WPs), the first WP1 being based on the {{analysis of regulations and modalities of seed governance systems}} (access and management). WP2 is analysing the {{diversity of cropping practices and seed use}} in the field. WP3 proposes {{seed management governance mechanisms}}. For this, the project implements up to {{13 African and French Master's courses and 2 co-financed theses}}.

### RESULTS

The first year allowed us to refine the originality of the scientific project around the issues of scaling up and reflexivity on the practices of intermediary actors/institutions. This work required the development of a solid {{methodology}} based on : (1) the experiences of previous projects in the same areas and on related themes; (2) interdisciplinary collaboration to develop sampling strategies and appropriate statistical analysis methods.

### PERSPECTIVES

In parallel, co-funding was obtained for two projects (SEARS and Dynaversity H2020), in addition to co-funding for a thesis in Economics.

Among the strong points of the project, highlighted at the mid-term meeting, are :

- \* scientific multidisciplinary;
- \* the societal impact;
- \* the strengthening of the South-South partnership dynamic between scientific and professional actors.