



**INTRA-ACP  
MOBILITY**



***Harmonisation et Amélioration des Programmes de  
Master et de Doctorat en Agribusiness par la Mobilité  
entre l'Afrique de l'Ouest, de l'Est et du Centre pour un  
Développement Socio-économique Durable (HAAGRIM)  
2012-2017***

HAAGRIM Visibility Workshop  
Faculty of Agriculture  
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# Background

- Call from European Commission for the submission of a proposal for an Intra-ACP University Mobility Programme in 2012
- Dr Aissetou Yaye, Executive Secretary of the African Network *for Agriculture, Agroforestry and Natural Resources Education (ANAFE)* contacted member universities of ANAFE and proposed the harmonisation of competences in Masters/Doctoral programmes in Agribusiness across African universities.

# Background

- Eight African universities responded to ANAFE and met in Senegal in **April 2012** to work out a project proposal which was submitted and accepted for funding by the European Commission in **August 2012**.

# Partners of HAAGRIM

## Eight partner universities:

- University of Gaston Berger (Senegal)- Lead Partner (Dr Saidou Sall)
- University of Thiés (Senegal)
- University Felix Houphouet-Boigny (Côte d'Ivoire)
- University of Abomey-Calavi (Benin)
- University of Mauritius (Ile Maurice)
- Kenyatta University (Kenya)
- Polytechnic University of Bobo-Dioulasso (Burkina Faso)
- University of Science and Technology of Masuku (Gabon)

## Associate Partner: ANAFE

Funder: European Union

Monitoring of Project: Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency  
(EACEA)

# Aim and Objectives of HAAGRIM

**AIM:** The project aims at building capacity and improving the quality of higher education in the African subregions (East, Central, West).

## **Objectives of the project**

- Produce graduates of Masters and PhD in Agribusiness
- Harmonise competences in agribusiness within Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) partners.

## **Project Approach:**

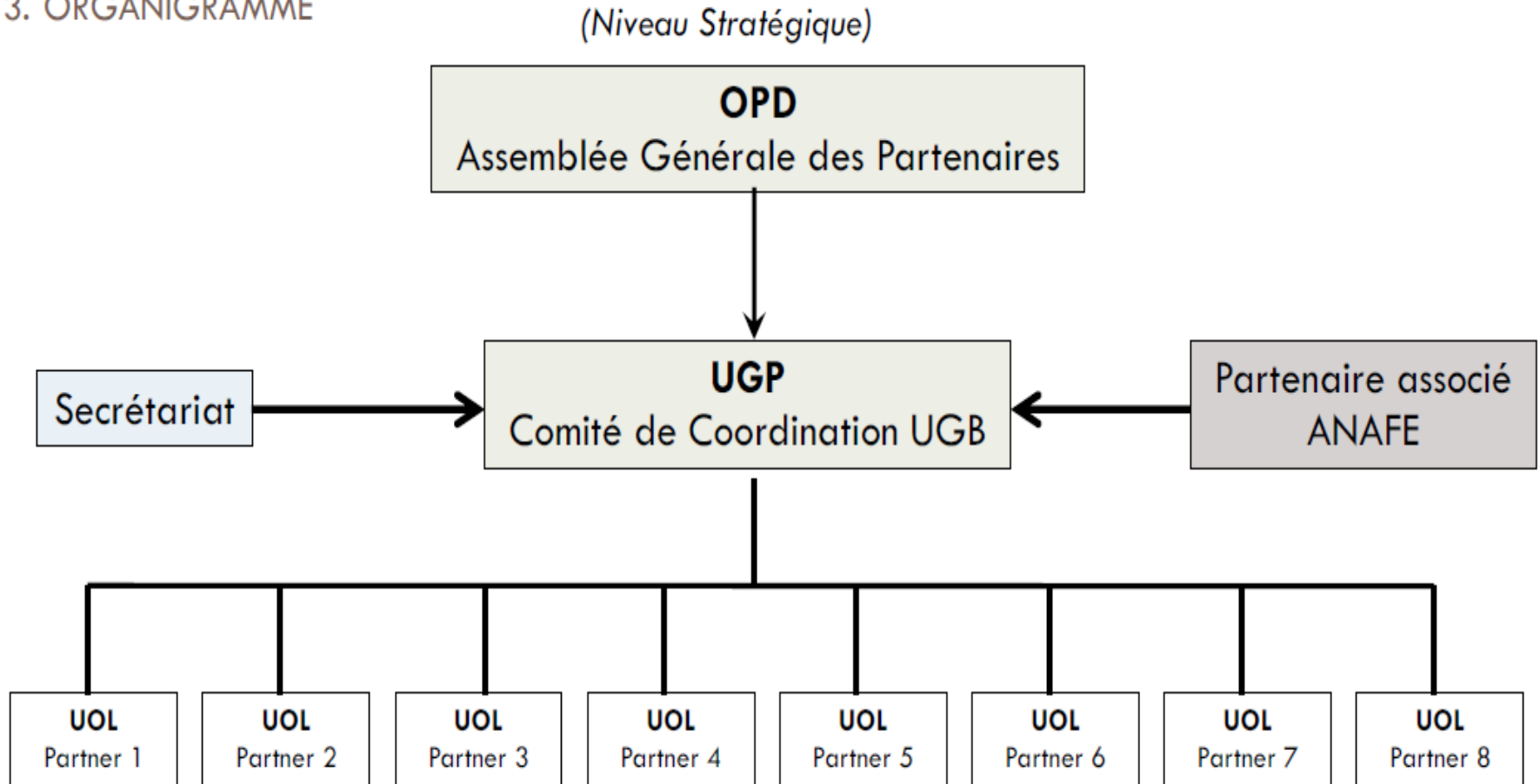
- Mobility of students to partner HEIs for training and industry placements.
- Mobility of academic staff to the partner HEIs for training and partnerships in research
- Mobility of technical staff to partner HEIs for training.

# Partnership Agreement

- A **'Convention de Subvention' (No. 2012-3196)** was signed between the lead partner, UGB and the EACEA
- Kick-off meeting for HAAGRIM project in October 2012 at University of Stellenbosh, Cape Town
- A **Memorandum of Understanding (Protocole D'Accord)** was elaborated by the partners of HAAGRIM and approved by all Head of institutions.
- The MOU was approved by the VC (384<sup>th</sup> (Ordinary) Council Meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> June 2013)
- One copy of the original MOU signed by all partners was received at UoM on 08 July 2013

# Organisation of the partnership

## 3. ORGANIGRAMME



OPD: Organe de Prise de Décision

UGP: Unité de Gestion du Projet

UOL: Unité Opérationnelle Locale

(Niveau Opérationnel)



# Selection Committee

- Who are the members of the Selection Committee?

## Committee membership

<b>1</b>	Chair	University of Mauritius	Dr B M F Driver
<b>2</b>	Member	Université Gaston Berger	Dr M M Koita
<b>3</b>	Member	Université de Thiès	Dr I Wade
<b>4</b>	Member	Université d'Abomey Calavi	Dr A Adegbidi
<b>5</b>	Member	ANAFE (African Network for Agriculture, Agroforestry and Natural Resources Education)	Dr A Yaye / Dr S Chakeredza

# HAAGRIM Project Budget

- Total funding for the project in the amount of 1,927,925.00 Euros.
- Students Subsistence allowances: 58%
- Travel and visas: 21%
- Participation fee: 10%
- Insurance Fee: 5%
- Organisation of Mobility: 6%

# HAAGRIM Project Status

Following signature of the MOU among partner universities:

- Official constitution of the Local Coordinating Committees (UOL) at the level of each partner
- Transfer of funds (**8200 euros**) to each partner for managing the UOLs
- First Meeting of UoM-UOL: 12 July 2013
- Partner Meeting (OPD) in Gabon: 21-24 July 2013 – Elaborate eligibility and selection criteria

# HAAGRIM Project Status

- Finalisation of all documents for eligibility and selection process by the CCS in December 2013
- Call for scholarships: 18<sup>th</sup> Feb to 03<sup>rd</sup> April 2014- Online applications **ONLY**
- Submission of list of eligible candidates by the CCS on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2014
- Partner Meeting (OPD) in Senegal: 5-6 May 2014 for selection of candidates and award of scholarships
- Mobility starts around July 2014

# Terms of reference of HAAGRIM UoM-UOL

- The HAAGRIM UoM-UOL (Unité Opérationnelle Locale of University of Mauritius) is mandated to execute and manage the mobility project at the level of UoM.

[1] The UoM-UOL is expected to provide the following assistance and services:

- Assistance for visa and residence permit
- Organise regular meetings with the foreign students/staff
- Organise language courses; assist in developing work plans/schedules
- Assist in securing industrial placements
- Assist in providing all required documents to enable recognition of study/placement periods by foreign students/staff

# Terms of reference of HAAGRIM UoM-UOL

- [2] Assist students/staff from UoM hosted in partner universities in obtaining recognition of period of studies / placement / exchange spent in partner universities
  
- [3] Provide to the HAAGRIM Lead Coordinator (UGB) all the necessary information, documents on the status of the mobility
  
- [4] Promote the HAAGRIM project locally in order to increase the visibility of the project by organising seminars, producing brochures, and posters, using the web etc.

Member	Number	Role in UOL	Other role in HAAGRIM
Brinda Ramasawmy	1	Local HAAGRIM project coordinator Link coordinator with University of Gaston Berger	Member of the OPD (Organe de Prise de Decision) of HAAGRIM
Kamlesh Boodhoo	1	Alternate member to local HAAGRIM Project coordinator	First alternate member of the OPD
M. Françoise Driver	1	President of the Selection Committee (Comité Consultatif de Sélection (CCS)).	Second alternate member of the OPD Board member of ANAFE (Associate partner of HAAGRIM project)
Head of Department (Agricultural Production and Systems)	1	Administrative support	
Head of Department (Agricultural and Food Science)	1	Administrative support	
Representative of Registrar's office	1	Administrative support for visa procedures, welcome of foreign students etc	
Representative of the pro Vice-Chancellor's (Academia) office	1	Facilitates recognition of periods of study (Masters and PhD) and credits earned	
Representative of Quality Assurance Office	1	Monitoring of quality assurance procedures for the mobility programme	
Representative of the Finance Director's office	1	Support for the management of scholarships for foreign students	
Representative of ASRO (Ad hoc basis)	1	Provides help for selection of foreign students as per criteria defined by the CCS	
Representative of the CITS (Ad hoc basis)	1	Provides support for the management of the project website, and e-promotion of the project	
Programme Coordinator of the Masters in Agribusiness Management	1	Academic support for foreign students enrolled in agribusiness modules at FOA	
Administrative staff FOA	1	Administrative support for the UOL	
Representative of the public/private sector (Ad hoc basis)	3	Facilitate placement of foreign students in public/private enterprises	

# Journal de Bord

Réf	Date proposée	Problème/information	Action/décision	Responsable	Dates réalisation		Etat (pour chaque responsable)
					Prévue (au plus tard)	Réelle exécutée	
n°	jj/mm/aa	énoncé du problème ou de l'information	énoncé de l'action, solution au problème	nom de la personne (ou de la commission) chargée de l'action	jj/mm/aa	jj/mm/aa	#en cours# #en attente# #reportée# #annulée# #terminée#
1	19-10-2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>► Budget pour UOL pour gestion local de la mobilité (réunion, organisation, matériel ...etc)</li> <li>► Organisation costs for each partners should be send</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>► Signature de la convention de partenariat</li> <li>► Memorandum of understanding signed</li> </ul>	Coordination UGB	15-05-2013		#en cours : reste UoM, UT et UGB#
2	19-10-2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>► Organisations d'activités d'informations, de promotion dans le cadre de HAAGRIM</li> <li>► Organisation of activities and promotional information and materials produced</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mise en place définitive des Unités Opérations Locales (UOL). Chaque Partenaire doit envoyer sont comité UOL contenant les différents services académiques impliqués (Visa, accueil, suivi académique, hébergement...). Bien décrire le rôle de chaque membre du comité. Promotion du projet à faire (Conférences, dépliants, informations aux partenaires locaux...etc)</li> <li>• Local Operationnal Unit should be know start working, if it is not be. Clearly describe the rule for each member of the committee (help visa, welcome service, monitoring students, housing facilities...etc). Several activies should be organised for promoting Haagrim.</li> </ul>	Chaque UOL et coordination UGB Each Local Unit and coordination UGB	15-05-2013		#terminée: pour UoM, USTM UGB#
3	19-10-2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>► Planification des mobilités pour la 1<sup>ère</sup> cohorte</li> <li>► Planned mobility numbers for the 1st cohort</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Etablir le tableau général des mobilités</li> <li>• Table of mobility distribution number of send HEI and hosting HEI.</li> </ul>	Coordination UGB	31-05-2013		



# Administrative and Academic implications of student/staff mobility

## Students/staff hosted by UOM

	Implications at level of UoM		Implications for partner university		Implications for HAAGRIM project
	Administrative	Academic	Administrative	Academic	Administrative
<b>Masters students</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visa procedures</li> <li>• Accommodation</li> <li>• Insurance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Propose a list of three modules</li> <li>• Identify placement in agribusiness for:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Batch 1: January 2015 (9 students)</li> <li>- Batch 2: June 2015 (8 students)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Special exam papers in December 2014/May 2015</li> </ul>	Appointment of a course tutor to liaise with programme coordinator of MSc Agribusiness Management (UoM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify number of credits to be earned by foreign students at UoM</li> <li>• Recognise credits earned for award of Masters degree</li> </ul>	The 17 foreign students to be eligible and to be registered for the Masters in Agribusiness Management must have gone through a selection procedure as per criteria established by the CCS of HAAGRIM to benefit from the scholarships for 6 months studies at UoM
<b>PhD students</b>		Identify 5 PhD co-supervisors at UoM at most in January 2014 (start research in August 2014)	Registration of PhD student in partner/ACP universities at most in August 2014	Identify 3 main PhD supervisors in partner universities; 2 main PhD supervisors in ACP universities	Selection procedure HAAGRIM
<b>Staff</b>		Identify activities (teaching and research) for foreign academic staff Identify activities	Identify number of academic staff and technical staff to be part of mobility	Identify expectations of staff (academic and technical) from mobility	Selection procedure HAAGRIM

# Mobility of Students and staff to and from Mauritius

## Number of students/staff hosted by the University of Mauritius

	Number hosted by University of Mauritius		
Target Group	Masters	PhD	Staff
1 (Partner Universities in HAAGRIM)	14	3	6
Universities sending students/staff	KU (2); UGB (2); UT (2); UFHB (2); UAC (2); UPB (2); USTM (2)	KU (1); UGB (1); USTM (1)	KU (1), UT (1); UHB (1); UAC (1), UFPB (1); USTM (1)
2 (ACP Universities not part of HAAGRIM)	3	2	Not applicable
Universities sending students	ACP Universities not forming part of HAAGRIM		
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>

[1] Kenyatta University-Kenya (KU); Université Gaston Berger-Senegal (UGB); Université de Thies-Senegal (UT); Université d'Abomey-Calavi-Benin.(UAC); Université Felix Houphouet-Boigny-Cote d'Ivoire (UFHB); Université Polytechnique de Bobo-Dioulasso- Burkina Fasso (UPB); Université des Sciences et Techniques de Masuku-Gabon (USTM); University of Mauritius-Mauritius (UoM);

## Number of students/staff from the University of Mauritius hosted by partner universities

	<b>Number sent by University of Mauritius</b>		
	<b>Masters</b>	<b>PhD</b>	<b>Staff</b>
	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>
Partner Universities in HAAGRIM hosting UoM students/staff	KU (2); UGB (2); UT (2); UFHB (1); UAC (1); UPB (1); USTM (1)	KU (1); UFHB (1); UPB (1)	UGB (1); UFHB (1); UAC (1); UPB (1); USTM (1)
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>

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Meeting with stakeholders

**Key Features of HAAGRIM Project**

**Foreign Masters students following modules in the programme of studies,  
Masters in Agribusiness Management at UoM- Full time basis**

<b>Academic year</b>	<b>Semester 1</b>	<b>Semester 2</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
2014-2015	August 2014 to January 2015	January 2015 to June 2015	
Activities	Follow three core modules from August to November (3 months) Take exams in December (1 month) Placement in enterprise in January (2 months)	Follow three core modules from January to April (3 months) Take exams in May (1 month) Placement in enterprise in June (2 months)	
Total months	6 months	6 months	
Target Group 1	6	8	
Target Group 2	3	0	
<b>Total hosting capacity</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Batch 1</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Batch 2</b>	<b>17</b>

PhD students registered in partner University/ACP university and following a period of research at University of Mauritius

<b>Academic year</b>	<b>Period of research</b>
2015-2016	July 2015 to December 2016
Activities	Co-supervisors from country institution and host institution to agree on research activities
Total months	18 months
Target Group 1	3 <sup>a</sup> (KU, UGB, USTM)
Target Group 2	2 <sup>a</sup> (to be identified)
<b>Total hosting capacity</b>	<b>5</b>

<sup>a</sup> PhD students must have started research at most in August 2014



## Staff mobility from partner universities to host institution, the University of Mauritius

Academic year	Period of exchange		TOTAL
2014-2015 2015-2016	August to September 2014 (1 academic staff) October to November 2014 (1 academic staff) August 2014 (1 technical staff)	January to February 2015 March to April 2015 May to June 2015	
Activities	Collaboration on research and teaching activities		
Total months	2 months/academic staff 1 month/technical staff	2 months/academic staff	
Partner Universities HAAGRIM	3	3	
<b>Total hosting capacity</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>

**Breakdown of mobility over time periods for students/staff from University of Mauritius and hosted by partner universities**

**UoM Masters students (MSc Agribusiness Management advertised in March 2014) following modules in one of the partner universities**

	<b>Academic year</b>
	2014-2015
	2015-2016
<b>Activities</b>	Year 1: August 2014 to Dec 2014: Lectures at UoM Year 2: Jan 2015- Jun 2015: Hosted by partner university (6 months) Year 2: Jul 2015-Dec 2015: Complete Dissertation work at UoM
<b>Total students</b>	<b>10</b>

**Liste des programmes académiques offerts par le partenariat**

**Lot: 1 Titre de projet: Harmonisation et amélioration des programmes de Master et Doctorat en Agribusiness par la mobilité entre l'Afrique de l'Ouest, de l'Est et du Centre pour un développement socio-économique durable (HAAGRIM)**

Rôle	Nom d'EES	Pays	Programme de Master/ Doctorat	Titre du Programme	Domaines thématiques d'études	Description du sujet*	Reconnaissance et accréditation (l'autorité et date)	La preuve officielle de l'accréditation jointe
Partenaire 1	Université Gaston Berger	Sénégal	Master	Gestion des Exploitations Agricoles	Agriculture	Agroéconomie	Decret Présidence, janvier 2005	Oui
Partenaire 1	Université Gaston Berger	Sénégal	Doctorat	Technologie Agroalimentaire	Agriculture	Agroalimentaire	Decret Présidence, janvier 2005	Oui
Partenaire 2	Université de Thiès ENSA	Sénégal	Master	Développement Chaîne de Valeur et entrepreneuriat	Agriculture	Agroalimentaire	Ministère de l'Education, Octobre 1982	Oui
Partenaire 2	Université de Thiès ENSA	Sénégal	Master	Agronomie et Protections des cultures	Agriculture	Agronomie	Ministère de l'Education, Octobre 1982	Oui
Partenaire 2	Université de Thiès ENSA	Sénégal	Master	Foresterie et environnement pour une GRN	Agriculture	Agroforesterie	Ministère de l'Education, Octobre 1982	Oui
Partenaire 2	Université de Thiès ENSA	Sénégal	Doctorat	Agronomie	Agriculture	Agronomie	Ministère de l'Education, Octobre 1982	Oui
Partenaire 3	Université Felix H. Boigny	Côte d'Ivoire	Master	Biotechnologie Alimentaire	Agriculture	Agroalimentaire	Ministère	Non
Partenaire 4	Université Abomey-Calavi	Benin	Master	Gestion des Exploitations	Agriculture	Agronomie	Rectorat, Juin 2003	Non
Partenaire 4	Université Abomey-Calavi	Benin	Doctorat	Gestion des Exploitations	Agriculture	Agronomie	Rectorat, Juin 2003	Oui
Partenaire 5	University of Mauritius	Maurice	Master	Masters of Science in Agribusiness Management	Agriculture	Agribusiness	Senat	Oui
Partenaire 6	Kenyatta Universty	Kenya	Master	Master of Science in agribusiness	Agriculture	Agribusiness	Office of the dputy vice-chancellor	Oui
Partenaire 6	Kenyatta Universty	Kenya	Doctorat	PhD of Science in agribusiness	Agriculture	Agribusiness	Office of the dputy vice-chancellor	Oui
Partenaire 7	Université Polyt. Bobo-Dioulasso	Burkina Faso	Master	Production Végétale	Agriculture	Agronomie	Président Université Polytechnique Bobo-dioulasso Avril 2012	Oui
Partenaire 7	Université Polyt. Bobo-Dioulasso	Burkina Faso	Master	Production et Industries Animales	Agriculture	Agronomie	Président Université Polytechnique Bobo-dioulasso Avril 2012	Oui
Partenaire 7	Université Polyt. Bobo-Dioulasso	Burkina Faso	Doctorat	Développement Rural	Agriculture	Agronomie	Président Université Polytechnique Bobo-dioulasso Avril 2012	Oui
Partenaire 8	Université des Sciences et Techniques de Masuku	Gabon	Master	Agronomie	Agriculture	Productions végétales et animales	Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur,	Oui
Partenaire 8	Université des Sciences et Techniques de Masuku	Gabon	Master	Agroéconomie	Agriculture	Agroéconomie	Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur (ouverture 2012-2013)	Oui

**PhD students registered at UoM and following a period of research in a partner university**

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Total months	18 months
Target Group 1	3 <sup>a</sup> (KU, UFHB, UPB)
<b>Total students</b>	<b>3</b>

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# Benefits of HAAGRIM Project for public and private stakeholders

- Provide placement opportunities for foreign students and staff for a minimum of 2 to 6 months and benefit from a sharing of competences from African agribusinesses
- Opportunities for staff from public and private institutions to go for a mobility period in one partner university to enrich competences in agribusiness.