

Capacity Building and Research Partnerships between Swiss and Ethiopian Institutions: Past and Current Experiences

Project	Partnership		Period	Activity (Volume in CHF; 1 CHF = about 1 USD)
	Ethiopian	Swiss		
Simen Mountains National Park	Wildlife Conservation Organisation	Universities of Zürich and Bern	Since 1965	Studies in wildlife, biodiversity, land use, land degradation, livelihoods and climate change (about 1 mio.)
Soil Conservation Research Programme	Ministry of Agriculture	University of Bern (Centre for Development and Environment, CDE)	1981–1998, with follow-up until 2009	Country-wide network of research stations on land degradation, agricultural production and soil conservation (16 mio.)
East and Southern Africa Partnership Programme (ESAPP)	Various institutions, including MoARD, EMA, ARARI, SARI, SLUF, Mekelle University	University of Bern (CDE)	Since 1999	Various studies and pilot implementation and capacity development in the fields of sustainable land management and regional development (about 1.5 mio.)
Agroecological map of Ethiopia (1:1 million scale)	Ethiopian Mapping Agency, Ministry of Agriculture	University of Bern (CDE)	1987–1998	Development of a topographic base and agroecological mapping of major zones for the country (about 1 mio.)
EthioGIS Geoinformation and remote sensing database and management system	Mapping and meteorology agencies	University of Bern (CDE)	Since 1987	Development and continuous upgrading of a Geoinformation system for Ethiopia, including free distribution to all partners (about 1 mio.)
World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies (WOCAT) in Ethiopia	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MoARD)	University of Bern (CDE)	Since 1992	Methodology for information in sustainable land management: data collection, analysis and knowledge management and information system for Ethiopia (ETHIOCAT) (about 0.25 mio.)
Guidelines for Soil and Water Conservation	Menschen für Menschen Ethiopia Office	University of Bern (CDE)	Since 2004	Revision and reprinting of a textbook for development agents (about 0.3 mio.)

NCCR North–South research partnership programme	Joint Area of Case Studies Horn of Africa (JACS HOA)	University of Bern (CDE)	Since 2001	Global research and capacity development in 9 regions on 4 continents lasting from 2001–2013 (about 110 mio. CHF)
NCCR North–South: Regional Coordination Office for JACS HOA)	Various partners, incl. EARO, ESTC, MoST	Swiss Peace Foundation, Bern	Since 2001	Coordination of Regional Scientific Advisory Board and activities of the programme in the region (PhD students, MSc/MA students, post-doc research projects, synthesis workshops, regional training, etc. (about 0.6 mio.)
NCCR North–South: Work Package WP1	Addis Abeba University	Swisspeace (Swiss Peace Foundation), Bern	Since 2001	Various PhD and MA studies on statehood, federalism, transboundary water policy, land use policy, chat (about 1 mio.)
NCCR North–South: Work Package WP3	Addis Abeba University	Swiss Tropical Institute, Basel	Since 2005	PhD study on HIV/AIDS (about 0.15 mio.)
NCCR North–South: Work Package WP4	ARARI (Bahr Dar), Southern University, Haramaya University, Mekelle University	University of Bern (CDE)	Since 2001	Various PhD and MSc studies on sustainable land management, soil erosion, nature conservation, integrated water resource management (about 0.5 mio.)
MAS Urban Transformation	Addis Abeba University	Department of Architecture, Swiss Federal School of Technology (ETHZ)	Since 2005	Curriculum development, support in capacity development, exhibition, excursions, student exchange, and ideas for the development of an urban centre (NEST)
Various research and capacity development projects	International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Addis Abeba	North–South Centre, (ETHZ), Zürich	Current	Child nutrition, biodiversity, trypano-tolerance, water construction, decision behaviour
Drinking water	Addis Abeba University	EAWAG (ETHZ)	Current	Fluoride removal in water (0.445 mio.)
Various projects	ILRI, NGOs	Swiss College of Agriculture, Bern	Current	Organic agricultural production, conservation of indigenous African cattle, livestock development, coffee selection
Various	Addis Abeba University, Black Lion Hospital	University of Applied Sciences, Bern	Current	Practical for Swiss physiotherapy students