

Highlights of N2Africa Agronomic and M&E Results and Lessons for 2017 Planning

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Outline

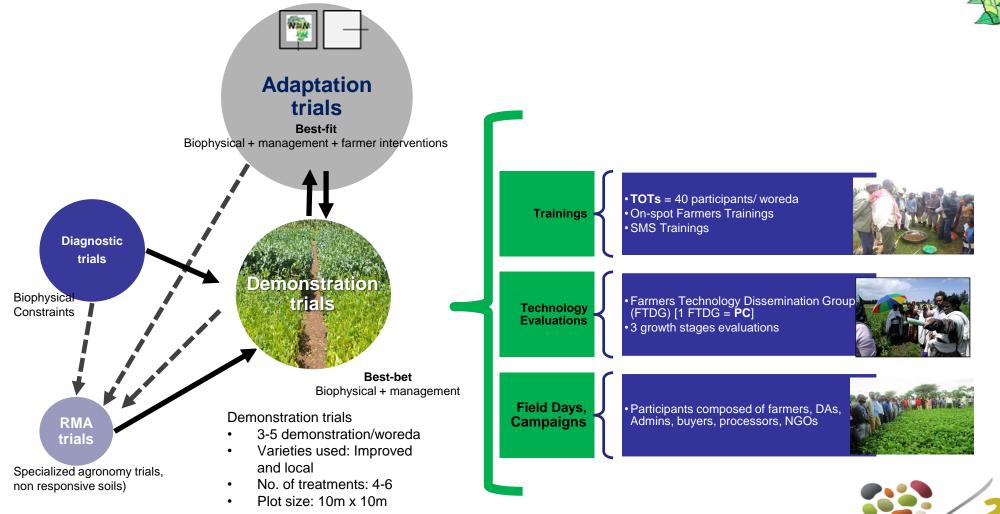


- Highlights of N2Africa agronomic trials
- N2Africa Data Flows & Online analysis interfaces
- Major achievements and feedbacks
- Lessons learnt & Outlook 2017



N2Africa Dissemination Approaches





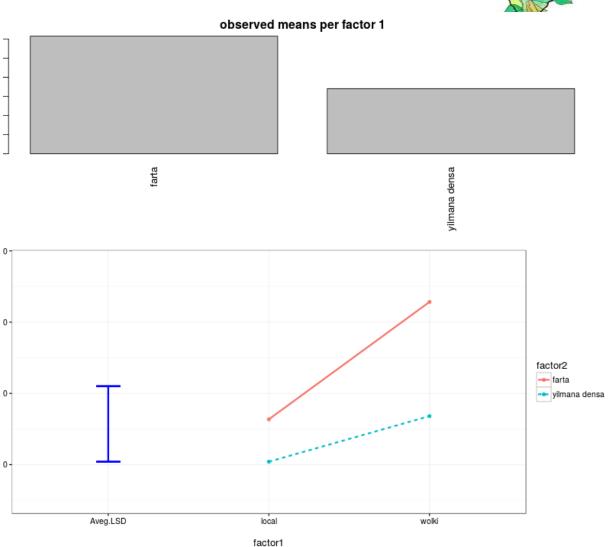


Evidences: agronomic trials

Faba bean results



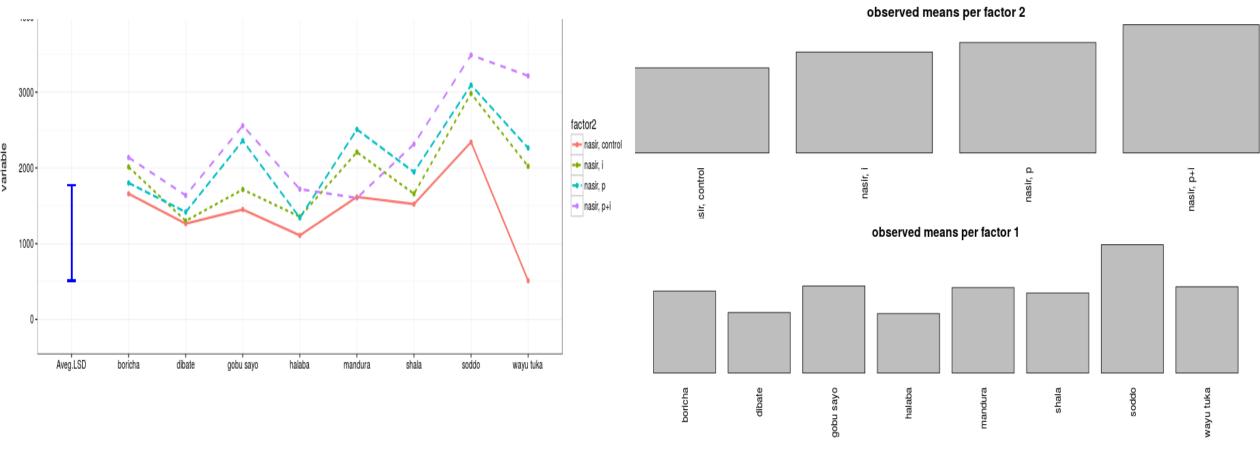




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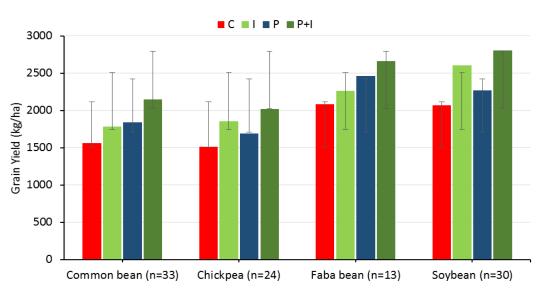
Common bean results

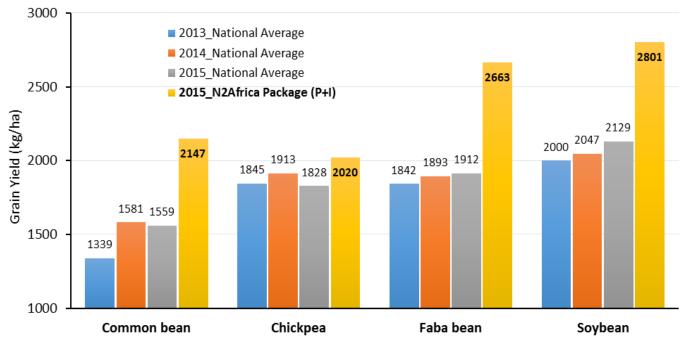




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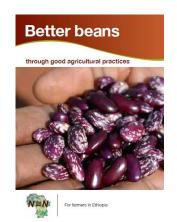


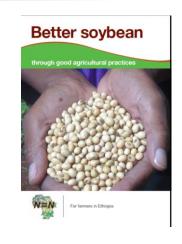




Agronomic Support Materials





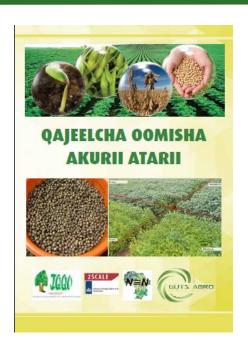












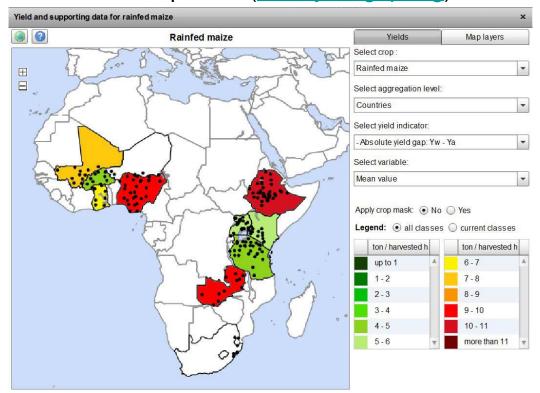


Online atlas

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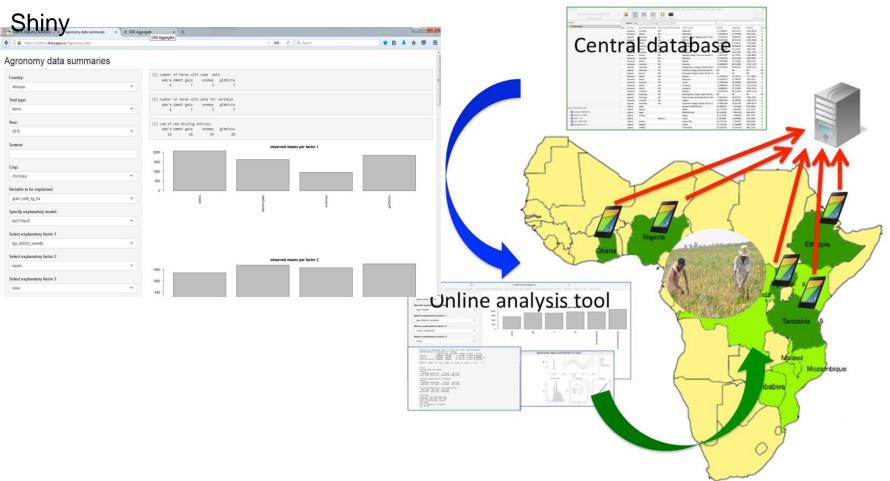
- Legume yield gap atlas
 - Common bean
 - Chickpea

Global Yield Gap Atlas (www.yieldgap.org)





N2Africa Data Flows & Online analysis interfaces

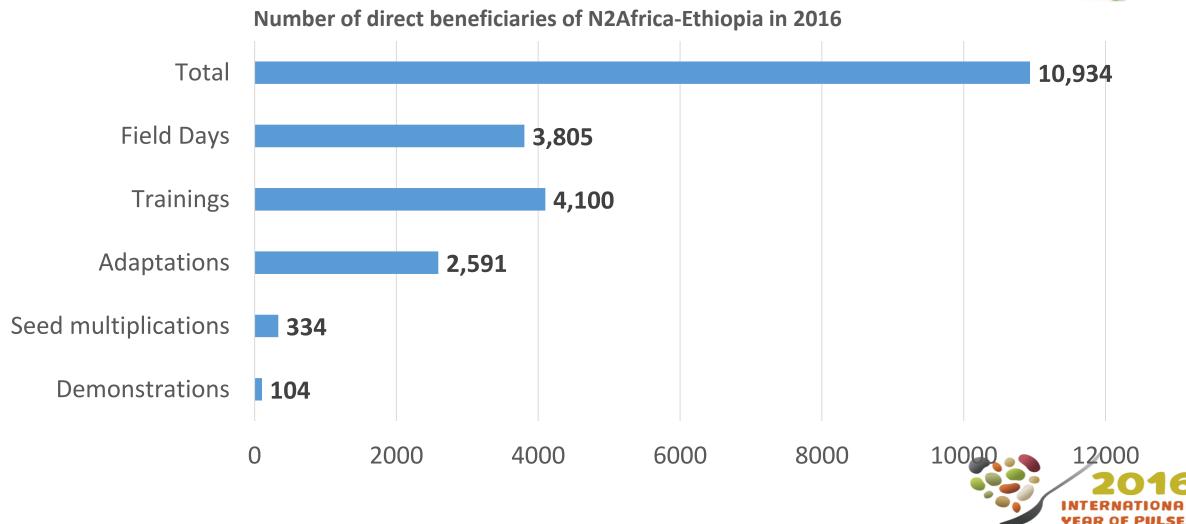






N2Africa-Ethiopia 2016 Direct Beneficiaries





Trainings/ capacity developments



- ToTs and General trainings
- Feedbacks
 - Good training contents
 - Excellent participatory methods
 - Short training time
 - Odd time of training- should be off season to get farmers full attention
 - Training needs to be given before the season starts
- Lessons & Outlook 2017
 - Lessen bias towards agronomic management, give attention to <u>post harvest</u>, <u>nutrition</u>, <u>marketing systems and agribusiness</u>
 - Integrate requested trainings in plan
 - Adjust training timings to have full participation of farmers
 - Encourage training by lead farmers with researchers/experts providing backstopping
 - Prepare training support materials (i.e. agribusiness, etc) and also avail them in local languages.

Overall farmers reached



- Major dissemination approaches used: in terms of # of beneficiaries.
 - Demonstration trials: <u>2%</u>
 - Adaptation trials: 40% (accepted as major approach, but resource demanding)
 - Field days/Media: <u>59%</u> (accepted as major approach to reach more farmers)

Feedbacks

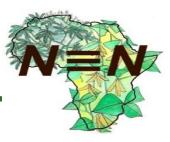
- To try new improved variety/ new variety
- To Because of last year other peoples are sow this variety and I see the productivity and I am ready to apply
- Provided to me
- Easier management
- elements for use next season FD
 - Variety and inoculant
 - Variety, inoculant, practices
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Learnings & Outlook for 2017

- Field days/media events and Adaptations appreciated by partners/farmers as best approaches for farmer testing and reaching out to more.
- Strategize to reach out to more using accepted approaches
- Adjust demos to accommodate other farmers/document additional farmers using demos as learning centers.
 - 1 demo=1FTDG=1PC/Union
- Examine partners capacity to expand operational areas and or strategize to achieve targets.
- Mobilize the farming communities to attend & share experiences.
- Produce audio-visual for broadcasting.



Technology evaluations



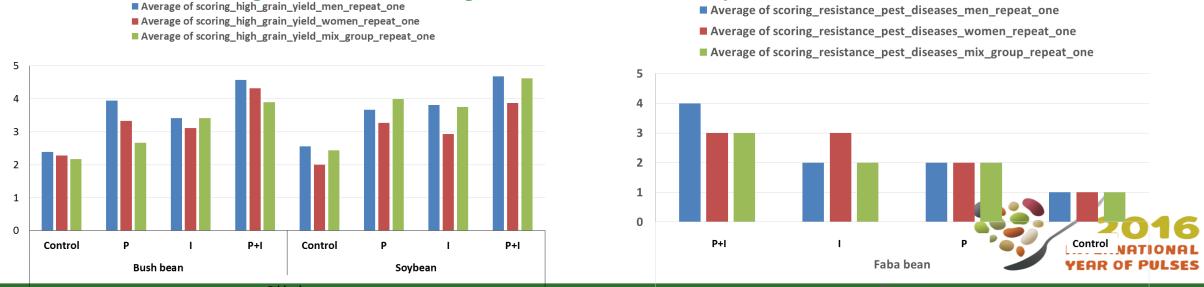
Feedbacks

- Farmers prefer improved variety with P+I in terms of grain yield, pest/diseases resistance, etc. in most areas.
- Interested to plant in larger area.
- No response for inoculant reported from some partners/DAs/farmers.

Learnings and outlook 2017

Integrate the results of quality control in inoculant production, handling and sales

• Direct linkage between Unions/agrodealers and inoculant producers to ensure access.



Lessons learned and Outlook 2017



- Labour-saving tools
 - Explore and implement the Service Delivery Model for labour-saving tools

- Limited Agro-dealers still engaged in inoculant sales, limiting last mile delivery
 - Address input issues, such as limited shelf life of inoculants, risk of contamination, high prices to engage more last-mile delivery, output market

- > Quality control challenges (e.g. handling of inoculants at distribution)
 - Integrate the results of quality control in inoculant production, handling and sales

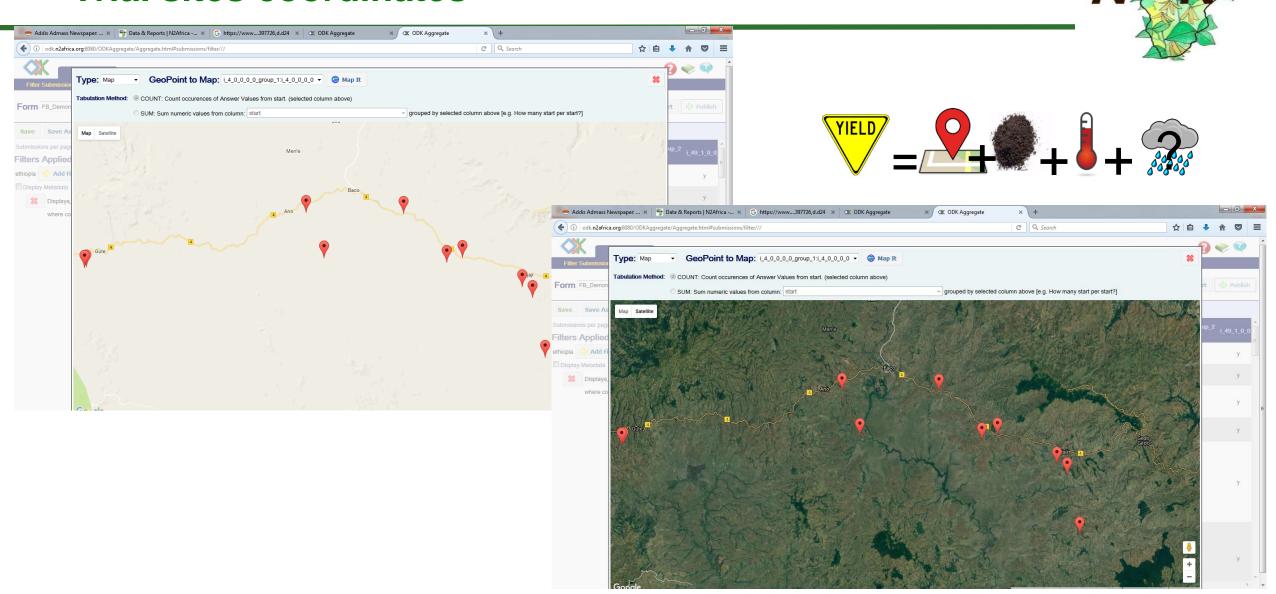
Lessons learned and Outlook 2017



- Obtaining data from some partners in a timely manner remains a challenge (e.g. inputs stocked, used, grains produced, sold, etc)
 - Review partnership specific M&E strategies to address current data gaps
- Available database indicating technologies in related AEZ for specific recommendations
 - Interpreted and document best bet-technologies based on meta-analyses of agronomic data;
 - Generate/ document best lessons & challenges in the implementation of PPP.



Trial sites coordinates



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