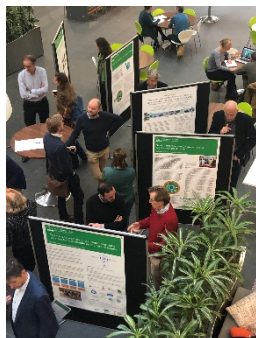


**UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES**

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**Sahel**

The [WUR @ Sahel Market](#) place attracted around 40 staff members, and as a result of this meeting a concept WUR Research & Development Agenda for the Sahel has been developed, a Sahel Sharepoint, and several activities are being organised. Amongst which discussions with potential donors to acquire funding for the WUR Sahel Agenda. Kindly contact me in case you would like to know more about this OneWageningen group.

Ethiopia

Work on 'OneWageningen knowledge management' is progressing well. With support of WDCC and colleagues working on the WUR international projects database, an Ethiopian research assistant has prepared an overview. This has been mapped in the Food Systems framework and will be used as a basis for a OneWageningen Ethiopia day / afternoon on the 11th of February. In case you have not yet received an invitation but would like to participate in this initiative, kindly contact me.

UM6P Morocco

The Research Framework Agreement has finally been signed, which means that we can now develop the approved concept notes into full proposals. From 16-18 December, several UM6P staff members visited Wageningen to relaunch discussions on joint research projects. In addition, I accompanied several WU staff members to Morocco for discussions on another research programme, to be implemented in Ghana, led by IFDC.

Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM)

First week of December I attended the AGM of RUFORUM. It was my first time to participate in their International Advisory Panel. For more information, kindly see my [BtO](#).

A few staff changes...

Because of the retirement of our colleague Pieter Windmeijer, Patricia Wagenmakers and I are contact persons for 2 Coordination and Support Actions from the EC: LEAPAgri and LEAP4FNSSA. On 1st of February we will welcome a new colleague, Wassim Beaineh. He will be provide support for the MENA region and strategic EU-AU projects.

And furthermore:

- Participated in the incoming visit of the Rwanda Agriculture Board, and
- Held a meeting with the new Head of Development Cooperation at NL embassy in Egypt

Planned incoming visits / outgoing missions:

- 10, 11 February: Preparatory meeting with IGG staff member moving to Niger
- 21 February: University of Stellenbosch to learn about Food Valley / campus development