# Sorghum and forage grains: Innovation to intensify production in the Central American Dry Corridor

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Webstory

## The technological solution

An online platform will facilitate the selection of optimal cultivars for each environment and predict their yield.



## **Description**

The project will establish a baseline and characterize environments through climate, soil, and agronomic analyses. Cultivars will be evaluated in representative environments, and outstanding genotypes will be identified. An online platform will be created to enable producers to select the most suitable cultivars.



#### Results

- Creation of a sorghum cultivar evaluation network and establishment of the technological baseline for each member country of the network.
- Characterization of target environments, cultivars and their interaction.
- Development of an online platform with cultivar recommendations and yield estimations for each environment.
- Transfer and communication of the results and knowledge acquired regarding the environmental characterization and the performance of the evaluated cultivars.

80 %

Regionally consumed staple foods produced by local farmers

2500

Small and mediumscale farmers directly benefited

6

Learning plots for field experiments

58 %

Area classified as a high/severe drought risk zone

200

Trained students, technicians, and professionals

20 %

Expected increase in grain production



















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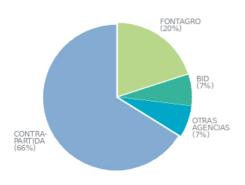
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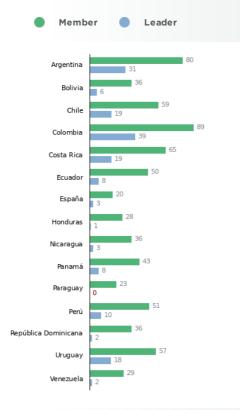
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PARTICIPATION AND ROLE IN CONSORTIA SINCE 1998

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- Counterpart contribution 99.190.633
- **FONTAGRO** 30.479.468
- IDB9.922.700
- Other agencies
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204 Number of projects approved

150.7 Approved total amount US\$

11.1 MILLONES

Contribution from other agencies

**33** 

Benefited countries

**63** 

Generated technologies

15

New technologies for LAC

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Technology of global relevance

MEMBER COUNTRIES

