International Projects

**Title:** Multinational Approaches to Enhance Goat Production in the Middle East

**Support:** USAID Middle East Regional Cooperation Program

**Collaborator:**
- Egypt: Desert Research Center and Animal Production Research Institute, Cairo
- Israel: Volcani Center, Bet Dagan
- Palestinian National Authority: Al-Quds University, East Jerusalem
- Jordan: Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid

**Objectives:**
- **Overall:** Revitalize and develop the Middle East goat industry via cooperative research and technology transfer to increase income and improve the standard of living of the indigenous people
- **Specific:** Characterize goat production systems of the Middle East region and distribute improved goat genotypes
  - Increase knowledge of goat milk properties and develop new technologies for production of goat milk products in the Middle East
  - Transfer appropriate available and developed technologies for goats to Middle Eastern farms/households, in particular proper milk hygiene and processing

**Title:** Improving Ethiopian Household Food Security and Enhancing the Teaching, Research and Extension Ability of Awassa College of Agriculture, Debub University, Ethiopia

**Support:** UNCFSP- USAID International Development Partnership Activity

**Collaborator:**
- Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley, GA (lead institution)
- Awassa College of Agriculture of Debub University, Awassa, Ethiopia

**Objectives:**
- Provide training to ACA staff in research methodology, parasitology, animal breeding, semen collection and freezing and artificial insemination
- Transport Boer goat semen to ACA for a crossbreeding program
- Strengthen ACA’s current extension program and expand its impact on village goat production through formation of new women’s groups for goat production and providing more training to existing women’s groups
- Increase Langston University and GIGR’s involvement in and impact on international development
Title: Improving Ethiopian Household Food Security and Enhancing the Teaching, Research and Extension Ability of Alemaya University, Alemaya, Ethiopia

Support: ALO- USAID Partnering with Higher Education for International Development

Collaborator: Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK
Alemaya University, Dire Dawa, Ethiopia

Objectives:
- Provide training to AU staff in research methodology, parasitology, animal breeding, semen collection and freezing and artificial insemination
- Transport Boer goat semen to AU for a crossbreeding program
- Strengthen AU’s current extension program and expand its impact on village goat production through formation of new women’s groups for goat production and providing more training to existing women’s groups
- Increase Langston University and GIGR’s involvement in and impact on international development

Title: Combating Micronutrient Malnutrition: Assessment of Constraints to Including Animal Source Foods in Children’s Diets in Rural Ethiopia and Kenya

Support: Global Livestock Collaborative Research Support Program

Collaborator: Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK (lead institution)
University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA
Debub University, Awassa, Ethiopia
University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya

Objectives:
- Address issues relating to use of ASF in children’s diets
- Evaluation of past projects
- Identify potential solutions and create a proposal to test those solutions
- Build an Ethiopian/Kenyan regional team for problem solving by linking food production and use with income generation, food security and family health
Title: Al-Sharaka, The Partnership

Support: United States Agency for International Development

Collaborator: U.S.A.  
- University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK (lead institution)
- Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK
- Cameron University, Lawton, OK

Iraq  
- Al Anbar University, Ramadi City
- Babylon University, Hilla City
- Basrah University, Basrah
- Salahaddin University, Arbil
- University of Technology, Baghdad

Purpose: Assist in modernizing and revitalizing Iraqi institutions of higher education

Langston University Specific Activities:

- Provide training to Iraqi university scientists to enhance and upgrade knowledge and techniques of small ruminant research and production
- Provide equipment and expertise to establish a ruminant nutrition feedstuff analytical laboratory
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