

Survey on animal production projects in development cooperation

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AIM

To obtain a profile of the characteristics of animal production projects in development cooperation started after 2010, in which ASPA members have been involved

METHODS

E-mail survey sent to all ASPA members in April 2015

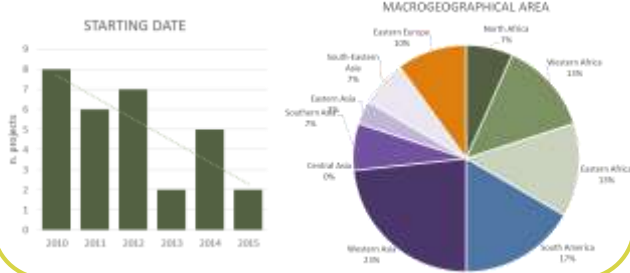
RESULTS

Answers from 15 members (about 4.5% of all ASPA members)

DISCUSSION

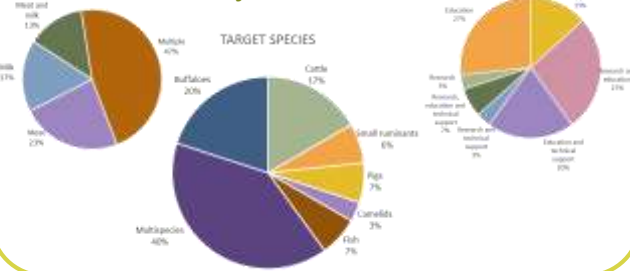
30 projects reported in the period 2010-present, + two projects in previous years

When and where



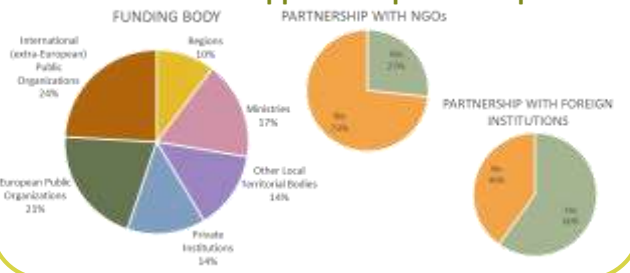
- Slowly decreasing trend of the the number of funded projects
- Most projects are concentrated in **Asia (40%)** and **Africa (33%)**

Project characteristics



- The majority of projects focuses on many species at the same time and is directed to more than one sector, but Buffaloes play a particularly important role
- Projects are mainly directed at education and provision of technical support, but they are often sustained also by research activity

Financial support and partnership



- European and extra-European international organizations represent the most important sources of funding, but Ministries, local bodies and private institutions also contributed to support these projects
- Only 27% of the projects are carried out in collaboration with NGOs, and 60% with foreign partners

CONCLUSION

Most of the activities have a multi-actor approach with complementary types of knowledge (scientific and practical). The projects take into account the needs and the problems of local breeders, and find complementary solutions using many existing research tools. This approach, based on the exchange of knowledge between Italian and foreign partners, has very often generated innovative solutions.