

NPT country information - Ethiopia

Identification of sectors and projects

Ethiopia is one of the original NPT pilot countries. In February 2003 a Plan of Cooperation was drawn up to assist the Ethiopian Government in implementing the Education Sector Development Plan (ESDP-II) for the Higher Education Sector (HE) and the Rural Development Sector (RD).

A. Higher Education (HE) Sector

In 2003, the Higher Education Proclamation provided a legal framework for HE reform. New universities were to be established and existing higher education institutions (HEI) upgraded.

Two national agencies established with NPT support will receive support for their further strengthening:

- The Higher Education Quality and Relevance Agency (HERQA).
- The Higher Education Strategic Centre (HESC).

The upgrading of HEIs to university status coincided with a need to improve basic functions at university level, resulting in three projects with a systems-wide character, addressing all HEIs in:

- Management and Leadership Capacity.
- Pedagogical Performance.
- Information & Communication Technology.

Additionally, young faculties or specific departments were to be established in the selected fields:

- Law.
- Medicine.
- Veterinary Medicine.
- Information & Communication Technology.

In May 2004, national stakeholders drew up four project proposals to assist the faculties/departments in their development in the fields listed above. These projects are aimed at:

- Improving leadership and management capacity.
- Providing support to Pedagogical Resource Centres (improving pedagogical performance).
- Assisting university staff in utilizing available ICT hardware at their campuses.
- Training university staff to use such networks.

In the course of NPT implementation three new needs were identified: a) support to the Institute of Agro-pastoral and Pastoral Studies, capacity building in the water sector with a view to enhance training and research coordination capacity for River Basin Organisations and support for the development of the horticulture sector.

To assist the Central Government in the coordination of projects, a temporary coordination unit has been set up with NPT.

Projects

A. Higher Education (HE) Sector: 16 projects

<p>A.1 (NPT/ETH/002) Dutch partner:</p>	<p>Higher Education Quality and Relevance Agency (HERQA) Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation Closed</p>
<p>A.2 (NPT/ETH/003) Dutch partner:</p>	<p>Higher Education Strategic Centre (HESC) University of Twente, Centre for Higher Education Policy Studies Closed</p>
<p>A.3 (NPT/ETH/059) Dutch partner: Websites: Project start/end: Aim:</p>	<p>Nine HEI (under auspices of MoE; partner: Addis Ababa University). Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation www.aau.edu.et / www.cis.vu.nl 1-04-2005 / 31-03-2007 extended 31-10-2009 Enhancing the capacity for technical maintenance and assisting the development and improvement of ICT policies and guidelines. Use of ICT in teaching, research, administration and management is also addressed.</p>

- A.4 (NPT/ETH/060) Nine HEI and four private institutions (under auspices of MoE).
Dutch partner: Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation
Websites: www.cis.vu.nl
Project start/end: 1-10-2004 / 30-09-2006 **(ended)**
Extension: 01-10-2006 to 31-12-2007
Aim: Assist the institutional management in building up management capacity at different institutional levels, and provide the right knowledge and skills to enable the planned progression towards autonomously managed institutions.
- A.5 (NPT/ETH/063) Nine HEIs (under auspices of MoE).
Dutch partner: Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation
Websites: www.cis.vu.nl
Project start/end: 1-11-2004 / 31-10-2008 extended 30-04-2009
Aim: - Assist in establishing Academic Development and Resource Centres (ADRCs) that assist university staff in developing curricula.
- Enhance teacher trainer capacity in order to contribute to the development of new types of teachers.
- To strengthen the national network of ADRCs and the relationship with the National PRC.
- A.6 (NPT/ETH/107) Faculties of Medicine of Debu University and Mekelle University
Dutch partner: Maastricht University/Mundo
Websites: www.mu.edu.et / www.mundo.unimaas.nl
Project start/end: 01-01-2006 / 31-12-2009
Aim: Assist in building up quantitative and qualitative staff resources and medical curriculum & research.
Assist in integrating teaching hospital functions into the management and education & research infrastructure.
- A.7 (NPT/ETH/109) Departments of Computer Sciences and Information Technology, Arba Minch University and Bahir Dar University
Dutch partner: VUA-CIS
Websites: www.cis.vu.nl
Project start/end: 01-10-2005 / 30-09-2009 extended 31-12-2009
Aim: Assist in building up the quantitative and qualitative staff resources, curriculum and research in the field of ICT.
- A.8 (NPT/ETH/152) Institute of Pastoral and Agro-pastoral Studies (IPAS)
Dutch partner: Van Hall Larenstein University for Professional Education
Websites: www.alemayau.edu.et / www.larenstein.nl
Project start/end: 01-01-2006 / 31-12-2009
Aim: Assist in establishing IPAS and support the development of a agro-pastoral curriculum at the Alemaya University (Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and College of Agriculture) in the Somali Regional State, Eastern Ethiopia.
- A.9 (NPT/ETH/160) Faculties of Veterinary Medicine, Gondar University and Alemaya University
Dutch partner: GRM
Websites: www.alemayau.edu.et, www.ugondar.edu.et, www.grminternational.nl
Project start/end: 01-01-2006 / 31-12-2008
Aim: Assist in building up the quantitative and qualitative staff resources, curriculum and research in the field of veterinary medicine.
- A.10 (NPT/ETH/182) Faculties of Law of Bahir Dar University and Jimma University
Dutch partner: University of Utrecht, Faculty of Law
Websites: www.law.uu.nl
Project start/end: 01-03-2006 / 28-02-2010
Aim: Assist in building up the quantitative and qualitative staff resources, curriculum and research in the field of law education.
- A.11 (NPT/ETH203) Ministry of Education
Dutch Partner: Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation
Websites: www.cis.vu.nl
Project start/end: 01-04-2006 to 31-03-2008 **(ended)**
Aim: Assist MoE temporarily in coordination of NPT projects.
- A. 12 (NPT/ETH/205) Addis Ababa University
Dutch partner: UNESCO-IHE
Websites: www.unesco-ihe.org
Project start /end: 01-03-2009 / 30-06-2012

Aim: Building the capacity of higher education institutions to support the River Basin Organisations by improving the integrated water resource management / integrated river basin management training and research coordination.

A.13 (NPT/ETH207) Higher Education Relevance and Quality Agency
Dutch Partner: Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation
Websites: www.cis.vu.nl
Project start/end: 01-11-2006 to 31-10-2010
Aim: Assist HERQA in further developing the Higher Education Quality and Relevance support systems.

A. 14 (NPT/ETH/234) Higher Education Strategic Centre
Dutch partner Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation
Websites: www.cis.vu.nl
Project start/end: 01-06-2007 to 30-05-2010
Aim: Building the Capacity of the Higher Education Strategic Centre

A. 15 (NPT/ETH/239-260) Jimma University College of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine
Dutch Partner: LEI (Wageningen University) and PTC+
Websites: www.wur.nl
Project start/end: 01-10-2007 to 30-09-2011
Aim: Building the training capacity of JUCAVM to support the rapidly modernizing horticulture and floriculture export sector

A. 16 (NPT/ETH/272) Ministry of Education
Dutch partner Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam - Centre for International Cooperation
Websites: www.cis.vu.nl
Project start /end: 01-11-2008 to 30-06-2012
Aim: Building the leadership and management capacity in Ethiopian Higher Education

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Royal Netherlands Embassy in Ethiopia: www.netherlandsembassyethiopia.org