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LEAP-AGRI OPTIBOV TRAINING IN SOUTH AFRICA: 03-10 NOVEMBER 2019

Date	Activity	Responsible person(s)
Saturday 02 Nov 2019	Arrival to Johannesburg, South Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Dr. Richard Crooijmans, Assistant Professor, Wageningen University & Research, Animal Breeding and Genomics, Netherlands ✚ Dr. Donald Kugonza, Associate Professor Department of Agricultural Production, Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda. ✚ Dr. Nasser Ghanem, Assistant Professor, Cairo University, Teaching and Research, Egypt ✚ Dr. Catarina Ginja, Research Associate, University of Porto, Port, Portugal. 	-
Sunday 03 Nov 2019	Meet & Greet (Protea Hotel) Project brief meeting	OPTIBOV Partners
ARC – Animal Production – Large Boardroom		
Monday 04 Nov 2019		
08h30 – 10h00	Welcome and Introduction	Linky Makgahlela & Norman Maiwashe, General Manager, ARC-AP
10h00 – 10h30	Coffee/Tea	-
10h30 – 15h30	OPTIBOV project meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Project updates per country ✚ Data collection & Sampling progress ✚ Bio banking ✚ Nagoya protocol ✚ Demonstration of project facilities (i.e., Mobile App (android & iPhone), Website access ✚ Database and access ✚ SA Training preparation and materials (Bari Poster/Flyer/Presentations compiled into a manual) 	OPTIBOV Partners
12h30 – 13h00	Lunch	-
15h00 – 15h30	Coffee/Tea	-



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Tuesday 05 Nov 2019	Training Small-holder Farmers – Rust de Winter	
07h00 – 09h30	Travel to Rust de Winter and set-up	-
09h30 – 10h00	Coffee/Tea and Registration	All
10h00 – 10h10	Opening and Welcome	Municipal Counsellor – Mr Johan Welmans
10h10 – 10h15	Purpose of the day	ARC – Linky Makgahlela
10h15 – 13h00	Training Topics and Exhibition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ About OPTIBOV project ✚ Using OPTIBOV mobile App ✚ Climate change and its impact in livestock production ✚ Importance of farm animal genetic resources and biodiversity ✚ Breeding & Selection ✚ Beef market options 	Richard Crooijmans Nasser Ghanem Donald/Richard Catarina Ginja Thokozani Ndonga Dan Motiang
13h00-13h05	Closing	Linky Makgahlela
13h05	Presentation of Certificates	Dikeledi/Shoni
13h05 – 14h00	Lunch	-
14h00 – 16h00	Beef Small-Holder Farm visit – Rust de Winter	-
16h00	Travel to Pretoria	-



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Wednesday 06 Nov 2019	Students Training and Career Expo – Tembisa High School Theme “Top 3 for the future farm”	
08h30 – 09h00	Dairy Farm Visit, ARC – Animal Production	Sandra Erasmus
09h00 – 09h30	GrowSafe System	Georgette Pyoos/Giel Scholtz
10h00	Travel to Tembisa High School and set-up	
10h30 – 11h00	Registration	All
11h00 – 11h10	Opening and Welcome	Mr. V.E. Malinga (Science HOD)
11h10 – 11h15	Purpose of the day	Linky Makgahlela
11h15 – 13h00	Training Topics and demonstration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Career opportunities in Agriculture, incl. Genetics ✚ Understanding of genetics (Kahoot) ✚ Africa’s adapted cattle breeds ✚ Understanding Climate Change ✚ Video – Archaeogenetics (Shared with the school) ✚ Demonstration and Livestock Genetics Career Expo 	Linky Makgahlela Richard Crooijmans Linky Makgahlela Richard Crooijmans & Donald Kugonza Catarina Ginja Helen Mapeka
13h00 – 14h00	Lunch	-
14h00 – 16h00	Visit ARC Roodeplaat Bonsmara Herd – Carbon- and water footprint research	-



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Thursday 07 Nov 2019		
Postgraduate Training & Symposium – ARC-AP, Meat Science Auditorium		
08h30 – 09h00	Registration	All
09h00 – 09h15	Opening and Welcome	Linky Makgahlela
10h30	Tea/Coffee	
10h45 – 12h30	Training Topics and Exhibition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ About OPTIBOV project ✚ Biodiversity – Conservation and Utilization of farm animal genetic resources ✚ Importance of farm animal genetic resources ✚ Genetic markers and Archaeogenetics ✚ Climate change and its impact in livestock production ✚ Genomics as a tool to evaluate and improve cattle fertility ✚ General Discussions ✚ Genetics Kahoot Quiz ✚ Presentation of Certificates 	Richard Crooijmans Nasser Ghanem Catarina Ginja Catarina Ginja Donald Kugonza Nasser Ghanem All Richard Crooijmans Dikeledi/Shoni
12h30 – 13h30	Lunch	
18h00	Entertainment – Delegation Dinner	ARC

Friday 08 Nov 2019		
Leisure Tour		
09h00-16h00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Rhino and Lion Nature Reserve ✚ Sterkfontein Caves ✚ Visit to Cradle of Human Kind – Maropeng 	-



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Saturday 09 Nov 2019	Training Small-holder Farmers – Mmakgatle Communal Farmers	
07h00 – 09h30	Travel to Mmakgatle and set-up	-
09h30 – 10h00	Coffee/Tea and Registration	All
09h30 – 12h00	Livestock Exhibitions	Stephen Rasebotsa
12h00 – 12h10	Opening and Welcome	Mr. M.D. Pholoto (Principal)
12h10 – 12h15	Purpose of the day	ARC – Linky Makgahlela
12h15 – 14h00	Training Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ About OPTIBOV project ✚ Importance of farm animal genetic resources and biodiversity ✚ Using OPTIBOV mobile App ✚ Bull identification, Breeding & Selection 	Richard Crooijmans Catarina Ginja Nasser Ghanem Stephen Rasebotsa
14h00	Presentation of Certificates	Dikeledi/Helen
14h05	Lunch	-
15h00	Travel to Pretoria	-

Saturday 09 Nov 2019	Students Training and Career Expo – Hututu High School	
11h30 – 11h35	Purpose of the day	Shoni Zwane
11h35 – 13h00	Training Topics and demonstration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Career opportunities in Agriculture, incl. Genetics ✚ Understanding of genetics (Kahoot) ✚ Africa's adapted cattle breeds ✚ Understanding Climate Change ✚ Video – Archaeogenetics (Shared with the school) ✚ Demonstration & Livestock Genetics Career Expo 	Kgaogelo Mafolo/Shoni Zwane Richard Crooijmans Catarina Ginja Helen Mapeka
14h00	Lunch	-



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