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Cooperation between QUDRA 2 project and Salahaddin Agriculture College

Under QUDRA 2, Hungarian Interchurch Aid is supporting livelihood opportunities for the most vulnerable, mainly in the field of agriculture, along with reconstructing agriculture infrastructure.

The permaculture approach was introduced to the project to showcase regenerative methods through a demonstration farm, with the aim to support farmers in increasing their livelihood opportunities in a sustainable way. Under this demonstration, permaculture experts work on the project in KRI and Nineveh and cooperation initiatives have been established. Qudra 2 is to reach out to young people and support them.

Under this cooperation, HIA proposes to provide infrastructural needs to set up a nursery and provide data from the demonstration site, and university commits to the project in managing the project and research activities.

3 phases of the activities:

1. Seed planting: in the demonstration site plus in the nursery (and potentially in wild area) and monitoring of propagation.
2. Monitoring of development of seedlings in 3 locations.
3. Planting of nursery seedlings to the demonstration site and other places and comparison of adaptive characteristics and development of the plants from different origins.

HIA agrees on

- delivering information sessions on different topics (presentations took place 28.9.2021, 4.10.2021)
- providing materials (plastic, timber for the edges) to set up a nursery
- providing data on quality (e.g. germination) of seeds received and resilience of seedlings received – that have been planted in the demonstration farm – any other agreed;
- participating in yearly seed collection trip, by organizing transportation and information dissemination – depends on timing

Salahadding university agrees on

- setting up a nursery in one of the unused hoop house
- taking care of seedlings
- managing the research/program
- providing seedlings for the demonstration farm
- providing data on quality (e.g. germination) of seeds received and resilience of seedlings received – that have been planted

Timing:

- Commitment by 25th December 2021
- Procurement of materials by 4th January 2022
- Installation of the Greenhouse
- Start of the planting by 10th January

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