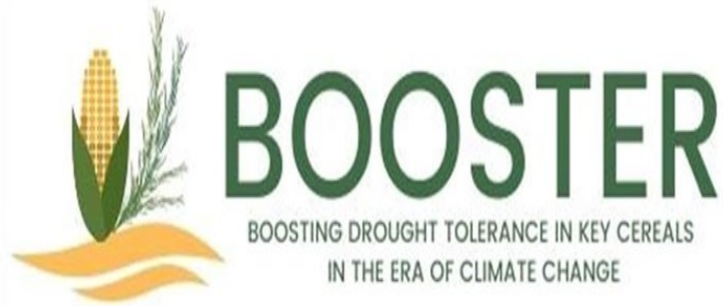


# Welcome address



Zerihun Tadele  
UBERN, 28.06.2023

# Welcome to Bern



Zytglogge

Münster

Bear park

Parliament

Einstein house

# Unibe & IPS

- Swiss universities: 2 federal, 10 cantonal, 9 applied science
- University of Bern: 20,000 students; 8 faculties
- Faculty of Science: 5 departments + 6 competence centers
- Biology department: 4 institutes
- Institute of Plant Sciences (IPS): 10 groups

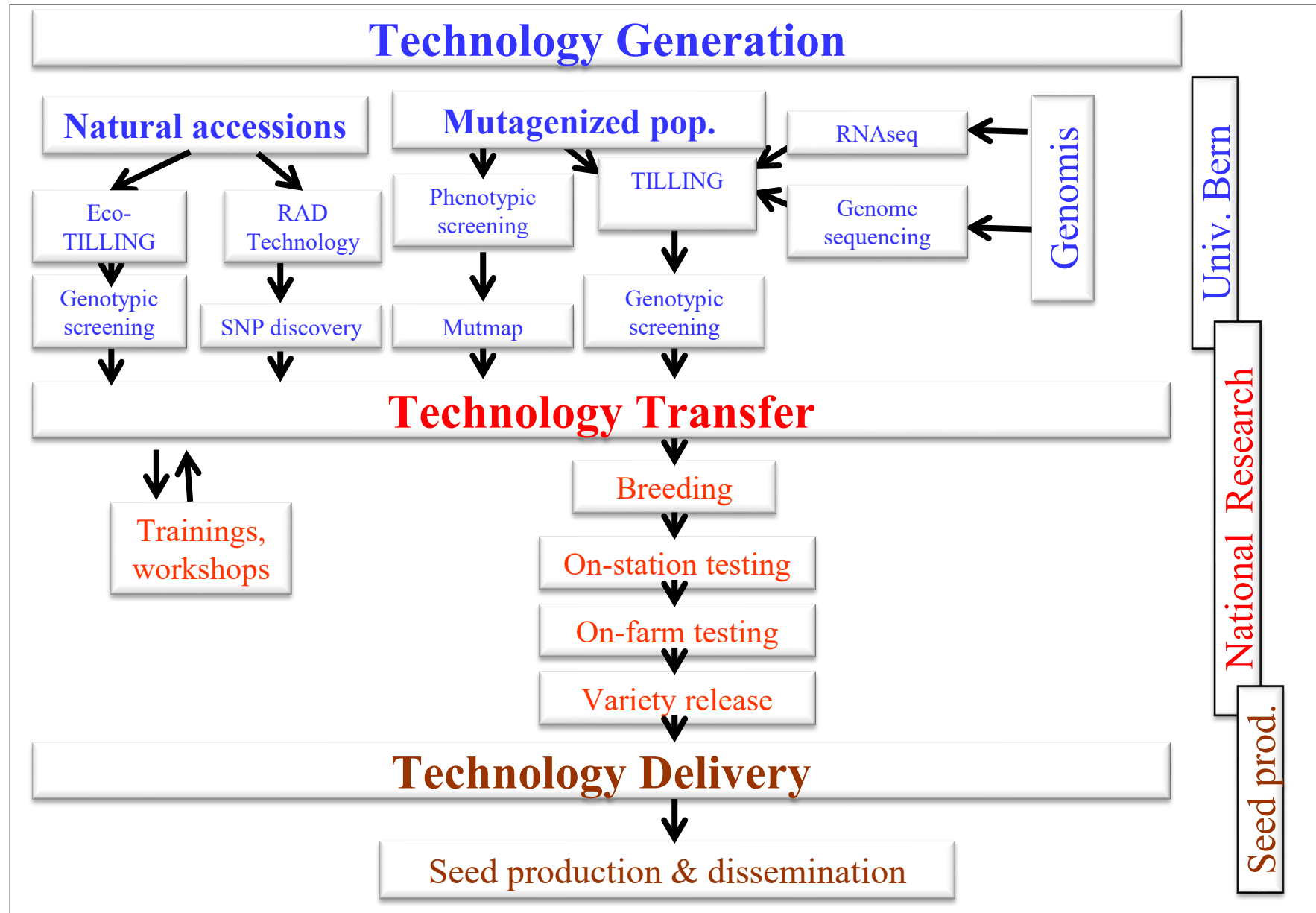
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Molecular Plant Physiology, Paleoecology, Plant Ecology, Plant  
Epigenetics, RNA Structure and Function, Plant Genetics and  
Development

# Crop Breeding & Genomics

- Food security
- Tef Improvement
- Genetic: mutation breeding, mechanism of tolerance
- Agronomic: pelleting
- Variety development



# Strategy: Tef Improvement Project





# Ebba variety

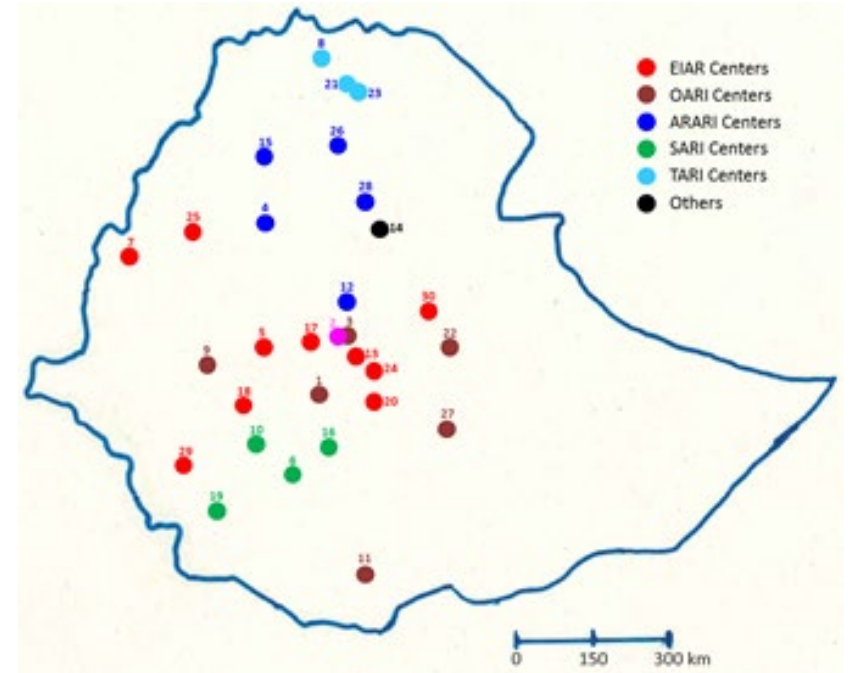
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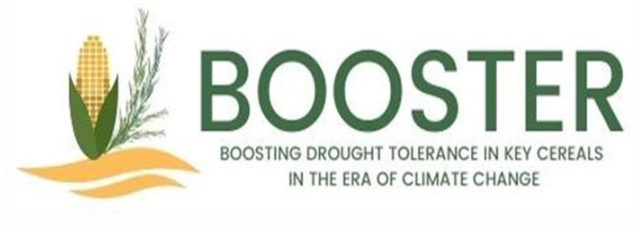
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# Booster Kickoff meeting



- Participants: 38
  - In person: 24
  - Virtual: 14
- Institutions: 14 + SAB + EU

# Scientific program

## Day 1 (June 28, 2023)

- 13:30 – 16:00 Session 1.
- 16:30 – 18:10 Session 2.

**Chair: Vincenzo/Zerihun**

Welcome, Opening, WP1 (UDUS)

**Chair: Daniela Scheuermann**

WP5 (IDC, CREA), WP6 (EUCORE, CREA), closing (UBERN)

## Day 2 (June 29, 2023)

- 09:00 – 10:40 Session 3.
- 10:55 – 12:45 Session 4.
- 12:45 – 13:30 Session 5.

**Chair: Tsanko Gechev**

WP2 (VIB), WP3 (UBERN)

**Chair: Kieran Guinan**

WP4 (BIOAT), WP6 (EUCORE, CREA), (WP5 (QUANTIS)

**Chair: Vincenzo Rossi**

General discussion & closing



# Wifi connection

**Option 1.** Eduroam: Academic institutions

**Option 2.** Public-unibe (guests)

- Login
- Registration:
  - your mobile phone number (+41.....)
  - Voucher (**on board**)
- Receive code as SMS on your phone
- Add the code to complete registration

# Logistics

- Coffee breaks: outside the building/Cofea Thyme
- Group photo: outside the building
- Bathrooms: three floors
- Elevator/lift
- Visit to Botanical garden: 28.06 at 18:20 in front of the building/car parking
- Dinner: 28.06 at 19:00 in Restaurant Du Nord Dinner (Lorrainestrasse 2, 3013 Bern)

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