



On Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th August 2015, the newly started **BEAN_ADAPT** Collaborative Research Project has its ‘kick-off’ meeting that will be held at the Global Crop Diversity Trust in Bonn (Germany).

The project is funded through the 2nd ERA-CAPS call, ERA-NET for Coordinating Action in Plant Sciences, which is entitled “Expanding the European Research Area in Molecular Plant Sciences II”.

The aim of this new European Collaborative Research Project is to identify the genes in bean plants that are responsible of adaptation to new environments and to different environmental conditions. This is to be achieved, according to the researchers, through the study of the introduction of the bean into Europe from the centres of domestication in the Americas, and then its further expansion throughout Europe, which represents a recent and historically well-defined event of rapid adaptation.

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