## Use of legumes in livestock systems in Latin America and the Caribbean: cooperation platform

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### The technological solution

It is expected that the use of the different legume species that exist in the member countries of the consortium can: make the use of nitrogen (N) more efficient -through the use of its potential to fix atmospheric N-, reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and contribute to increasing animal productivity.



### Description

The objective of the project is to contribute to the improvement of livestock systems in Latin America and the Caribbean through the adoption of forage legumes.

#### Results

0	Work is being done on a cooperation platform
	to improve livestock production systems in
	Latin America and the Caribbean through the
	introduction of legumes in pastures. This
	platform will have data on: the biological
	fixation of N; edaphoclimatic variables;
	emissions of N $_{\rm 2}$ O and CH $_{\rm 4}$ from soil; enteric
	CH $_{\rm 4}$ emissions; and the impact of the inclusion
	of legumes on animal production. There is an
	important level of progress against the
	restrictions imposed by the pandemic, with
	preliminary results generated from Chile, Brazil,
	Uruguay and Argentina.

Technical-scientific capacities are being strengthened through thesis, internships, workshops and collaboration meetings between referents of each topic addressed by the project, thesis students and participating technicians.

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Publication. Technical report

15

Postgraduate training for project members

69 %

Fixed N

## **48**

Open training and for the workgroup. Workshops. Field days.

# 5 %

9

Cumulative emission difference of N-N-1 in soil with cattle grazing









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