WHY JOIN EGS-ABG ?

√ EGS-ABG is an **Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate**, a label awarded by the European Union for outstanding quality courses

√ The PhD projects are jointly designed, and then assessed by scientific experts, to give you the **best in two host institutions**

√ **Industrial and scientific partners** are closely involved in EGS-ABG

√ You can broaden your mobility and expertise by visiting one of our **6 Associated Partners** around the world

√ You will join **highly qualified** EGS-ABG doctoral candidates, selected through a very competitive process

√ You will attend an **Introduction Week** and two **Summer Schools** designed especially for you

√ A **dedicated staff** will support you

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4 Partners within Europe

AgroParisTech (France), **Aarhus University** (Denmark), **Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences** (Sweden), **Wageningen University** (The Netherlands)

- Manage the **selection** of doctoral candidates
- Propose the **PhD projects**
- Organize **joint training activities**

2 Host Institutions among the 4 Partners

- Follow each doctoral candidate individually
- Provide the **joint supervision** of the PhD project
- Organize the compulsory **mobility** periods, typically 3+1 or 2+2 years
- Award a **Joint doctorate degree**

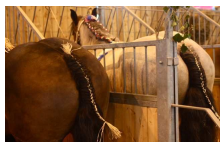
Industry & 6 Associated Partners

Iowa State University, University of Melbourne, INRA, ILRI, World Fish Center, EFFAB

- Offer **internships & training periods** for 3 to 6 months

Who can apply?

The programme is open to students whatever their country of origin, with a master degree preferably in genetics or animal sciences or, according to the topic, in biology with a background in quantitative genetics or in statistics with a background in biology.



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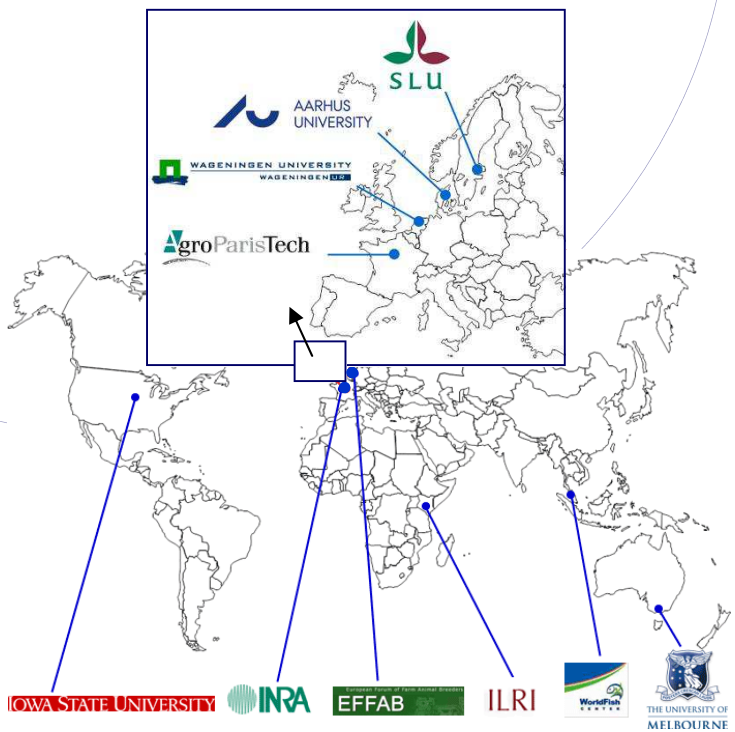
→ An **international programme** shaped to train the new generations of animal breeders to meet the challenges of the increasing food demand while reducing the impacts on environment and biodiversity.

→ An **Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate** to generate the future leaders of the animal breeding and genetics sector worldwide, whether for employment in academia or in industry.

→ **4 years** duration



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Applications

Applications: between 1st of October and 30th of November, for a PhD starting the following year (September). The candidates can choose between around 12 PhD projects published each year on EGS-ABG website: www.egsabg.eu

All candidates must apply online on the application tool provided on EGS-ABG website.

The following documents are required:

- Copy of passport, with photo and personal details
- CV (European format)
- Letter of motivation, including contact information of two persons who can give references
- Copy of the last diploma and Official academic transcript for the two master years + (*if relevant*) translation of diploma (English or one of the language of the Partner Institutions)
- Proof of English proficiency
- Two letters of reference (to be sent directly by the referees)

> For more detailed information, check the website

Fellowships

Each year, a limited number of Erasmus Mundus fellowships is available, covering:

- salary (gross amount per month €2.800, from which employer and employee taxes are deducted)

- contribution to participation costs (€600 per month)

- for non-European candidates* a contribution to travel and installation (total grant €7.500)

More details are available on EGS-ABG website.

* *see website for a definition of « non-European »*

Candidates can also join the programme with external funding equivalent to the Erasmus Mundus funding.