The Mozambique Story

1997-1999
1st generation adaptation trials (68 clones)

April 1999
First multi-sectoral meeting when we talked about the potential of OFSP

July 1999
1st strategy to combat micro-nutrient deficiencies
The Achievement:
15 new OFSP varieties released in February 2011
7 more released in 2016

Mozambican material which will also help many more African countries
How did they meet…. 1996-1997 - on the way to the beach at Macaneta?
Great Varieties, great Women......
And the men..... Tio Joe (de Vries) - 2004
Government officials visit the OFSP programme
Towards Sustainable Nutrition Improvement Team win best CGIAR Scientific Paper for 2007
Fashion Show........
Field Day at Lozano Farm
Visit from the USA Deputy-Secretary of State, Mr. Thomas R. Nides
USA Ambassador demonstrates how to plant OFSP
Pop star Bono accompanied by Jeff Raikes CEO BMGF singing “Gabagaba Yeah”, (exalting the virtues of the GabaGaba OFSP – yes!) at Sr. Armando’s farm - 2010
CIP, HKI, BMGF and Vice Minister for Agriculture launch Reaching Agents of Change Project in Mozambique, 2011
Other international meetings and programmes

Participação no World Food Prize


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Vision..... Determination... and Passion!