

## Abdelghani Nabloussi

Ph.D (2004), University of Cordoba, Spain, in Plant Breeding and Genetic Engineering. Agronomist Engineer (1992), Plant Breeding, Hassan II Agronomic and Veterinary Medicine Institute, Rabat, Morocco.

Position: Since 1993, Researcher at the Regional Center of Meknes (National Institute for Agricultural Research, INRA). Since 2013 until today: Coordinator of Research Unit of Plant Breeding and Plant Genetic Resources Conservation at the same Regional Center. Since 2017 until today: Coordinator of oilseed crops megaproject at INRA-Morocco.

Since 1993, Dr. Abdelghani Nabloussi has been responsible of rapeseed breeding program. In 2001-2004, he achieved his doctoral thesis on Ethiopian mustard mutants' development and characterization. In 2005, he launched a new breeding program on autumn sunflower and safflower. In 2013, he began a research on sesame landraces characterization and evaluation. He is mainly working on germplasms and varieties development and is leading and coordinating several projects on related themes. He has developed many germplasms and released several varieties of rapeseed, Ethiopian mustard and safflower.

Author of a scientific book on Rapeseed Breeding in Morocco and co-author of two technical guides on rapeseed and safflower. Author and co-author of more than 50 scientific articles and 60 proceedings of national and international conferences. Also, he is reviewer for many international scientific journals.

Member of the International Sunflower Association (ISA) and winner of two international grants, from International Fund for Science (IFS, Sweden) and Spanish Agency for International Cooperation (AECI, Spain), and two patents for invention of various Ethiopian mustard lines with contrasted fatty acid profiles. He is winner of the award 'Grand Prix Hassan II-edition 2015' for his work on rapeseed breeding and varieties release.