“The goal is to improve capacity for joint innovation, and strengthen this capacity at partnership, organizational and institutional/policy level, through an iterative process with the different stakeholders involved i.e. action and reflection, consolidation of lessons learned and re-planning. Preparatory actions must be well coordinated to ensure success and continuity of the CDAIS project.”
(CDAIS country report, 2016)

“Use the least technical terms possible, and seek clarification immediately if it appears that any are not immediately understood”
(CDAIS country report, 2016)
In Angola, capacity is being developed through three CDAIS innovation niche partnerships.

**Seeds cooperative**

The aim of this partnership is the commercialization of high quality seeds produced by 200 smallholder farmers in the Cooperative Sementes do Planalto in Huambo and Bié provinces. This niche has technical support from CODESPA and quality assurance and certification by the National Seeds Service in their central laboratory. The cooperative has already provided seeds to Aldeia Nova, MOSAP and NGOs such as the Red Cross and People in Need.

**Rural entrepreneurship**

The main goal of this partnership is to provide business opportunities to new agricultural entrepreneurs, mainly in Kwanza Sul. This will be achieved through continuous training of entrepreneurs, and promotion of large-scale production of grasses and legumes. Partners include producers, BDA (the Angolan Development Bank), and PTF (Future Land Project).

**Rice development**

The aim is to identify cold and heat tolerant rice varieties for Huambo and Bié provinces, develop technical agronomic packages for farmers and prepare and elaborate a rice cultivation manual. This niche is supported by JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency), IDA (National Agricultural Development Institution), IIA (National Agronomic Research Institute), EDA (Extension National Services), DNHER (National Directorate for Agricultural Hydraulics and Rural Engineering), and SENSE (Seeds National Service).