

BOOKS

AGRICULTURE



Case studies on food waste quantification, characterization, and identification of prevention and reduction options in Colombo, Sri Lanka

The lack of data on food waste (FW) – and therefore insights about its quantities, causes and characteristics – is a significant obstacle to implementing adequate reduction and prevention interventions for different sectors. The case studies conducted for this publication review FW prevention, reduction and management initiatives.

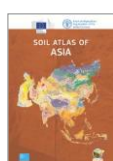
(Colombo, 100 pp.) FAO & IWMI
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Multicountry Programming Framework for the Pacific Islands (the Cook Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu) - 2023-2027

Agriculture is the backbone of Pacific Island economies and a major contributor to livelihoods. This publication describes the Multicountry Programming Framework for the Pacific Islands (Pacific CPF), a strategic plan designed to drive agrifood systems transformation and rural development in the region.

(Apia, 156 pp.)
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Soil Atlas of Asia

The aim of this first-ever Soil Atlas of Asia is to raise awareness of the significance of soil to life in the region. It demonstrates the diversity of soil characteristics and highlights the growing pressures on soil resulting from urban expansion, inappropriate land management, pollution, increased demand for food and climate change.

(Luxembourg & Rome, 212 pp.) Publications Office of the European Union & FAO



Syrian Arab Republic: Capitalization of the rehabilitation of Al-Rastan irrigation network study - Smallholder support programme

Designed within the context of supporting agricultural productivity and sustainable use of water resources, this study seeks to enable access to reliable and equitably managed irrigation water for smallholder farmers, so as to increase agricultural production and improve livelihoods and food security.

(96 pp.)
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ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH

GUIDELINES FOR AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (ASF) PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN SMALLHOLDER PIG FARMING IN ASIA



Clean chain approach for African swine fever in smallholder settings

These guidelines outline the principles of an African swine fever clean chain system for smallholder pig producers in Southeast Asia, including the development of a business plan that defines the clean chain system and the establishment of a partnership between veterinary authorities and private sector stakeholders.

(Phnom Penh, 76 pp. Cambodian. Also available in [Vietnamese](#) and [English](#))



Culling and disposal of pigs in an African swine fever outbreak

This document provides guidance on planning and conducting pig culling and disposal operations in smallholder settings. It suggests conducting culling on site to minimize handling and movement of animals, and confirming death of the animals before disposal of the carcasses.

(Phnom Penh, 92 pp. Cambodian. Also available in [Vietnamese](#) and [English](#))



Farm biosecurity, slaughtering and restocking

These guidelines showcase good biosecurity measures such as using pig manure to produce biogas. They stress that practical biosecurity measures must take a targeted approach considering the disease, livestock species and farming system involved.

(Phnom Penh, 116 pp. Cambodian. Also available in [Vietnamese](#) and [English](#))



Monitoring and surveillance of African swine fever

This document provides guidance for government officials in defining surveillance objectives; establishing ASF-related case definitions and reporting criteria; and providing examples of potential ASF surveillance methods, including passive surveillance and active surveillance.

(Phnom Penh, 112 pp. Cambodian. Also available in [Vietnamese](#) and [English](#))

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Economic transformation and diversification towards off-farm income in rural and urban areas - A global update with a focus on sub-Saharan Africa

This working paper is the update of an earlier cross-country study on household income sources. The analysis covers 93 surveys representing 41 countries to depict rural and urban households' livelihood strategies across different levels of economic development.

(76 pp.) FAO Agricultural Development Economics Working Papers
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cc4796en>



Fiscal reform in Costa Rica - Price elasticities of major food categories to inform decision-making

The definition of a new basic tax basket that incorporates nutritional criteria – known as the canasta básica tributaria (CBT) – is underway in Costa Rica. This study analyses price elasticities of major food categories and provides recommendations on the content of a CBT.

(28 pp.) FAO Agricultural Development Economics Working Papers
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cc6867en>





FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE



Report of the expert meeting on fisheries-related other effective area-based conservation measures in the Mediterranean

This document summarizes the discussions, presentations and takeaway messages from the expert meeting. The meeting aims to establish a path forward for identifying fisheries-related other effective area-based conservation measures (OECMs) in the Mediterranean region. It provides technical input for preparing and testing FAO's practical guidance for the establishment and management of OECMs in marine fisheries.

(60 pp.) FAO Fisheries and Aquaculture Report

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4060/cc4870en>

PLANT PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



Guide de surveillance - Comprendre les principales exigences relatives aux programmes de surveillance des organisations nationales pour la protection des végétaux

Surveillance is an obligation of a national plant protection organization (NPPO) and provides a technical basis for many phytosanitary measures such as phytosanitary import requirements, pest-free areas, pest reporting and eradication. This guide explains surveillance approaches and applications.

(76 pp. French. Also available in [Arabic](#), [English](#) and [Spanish](#))

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