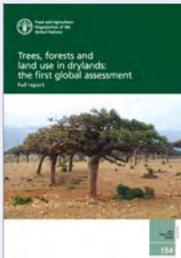




HIGHLIGHTS

UNFCCC COP 25 saw the release of several new publications, including those highlighted below:

[Press release](#)



Trees, forests and land use in drylands: the first global assessment – Full report

This publication provides a comprehensive overview of the forest and tree resources as well as land use in the drylands of the world.

(208 pp.) FAO forestry paper

A [digital report](#) is also available in English.



Forests: Nature-based solutions for water, Unasylva 251

This issue explores the role of forests as nature-based solutions for water management, highlighting their role as crucial and cost-effective natural infrastructure for the production of high-quality water – including for cities – for more than half the world population.

(88 pp.) Unasylva



FAO's work on climate change

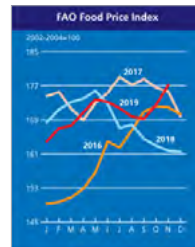
This publication brings together FAO's current data on climate change and proposes actions to promote sustainable agriculture and food security, including tools and methodologies to support countries' climate commitments and action plans.

(40 pp. Now available in Spanish. Also available in [English](#). Forthcoming in Chinese and French)



Caring about plant health

The International Year of Plant Health was launched on 2 December. See a selection of recent titles on plant health [here](#).



FAO Food Price Index

This index measures the monthly change in international prices of a basket of food commodities. It averaged 177.2 points in November 2019, up 2.7 percent from October and 9.5 percent from the corresponding period last year.



FAO Cereal Supply and Demand Brief

This brief provides an up-to-date review of the world cereal market. FAO's latest forecast for global cereal production in 2019 is 0.4 percent higher than November and is 2.1 percent above the reduced outturn in 2018.

[Press release](#)

NEWSLETTERS



FAO library for you
December 2019
(4 pp.)



FLRM e-alert newsletter
November 2019 – Issue No. 2

NEW BROCHURES



Cadre de la FAO sur les migrations – Résumé
(12 pp. Also available in [English](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#))



Comprendre l'action commune de Koronivia pour l'agriculture – Renforcer Koronivia
(32 pp. Also available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#))



Disaster risk reduction at farm level: Multiple benefits, no regrets
(4 pp.)



Event mobile application EMA-I – Early reporting for early action – to prevent disease spread and save farmer livelihoods!
(2 pp.)



Fruit fly management in Palau – Advisory leaflet
(Apia, 4 pp.)



International Year of Plant Health 2020: Communication guide
(30 pp.)



Linee guida volontarie per la gestione sostenibile del suolo
(28 pp., Italian. Also available in [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Portuguese](#), [Russian](#), [Spanish](#), [Turkish](#), and [Ukrainian](#)) FAO & NSC ISSAR



Proyecto "Fortalecimiento de la capacidad de adaptación en el sector pesquero y acuícola Chileno al cambio climático" – Caletas piloto: Riquelme, Tongoy, Coliumo, El Manzano Hualaihué
(Santiago, 8 pp.)



Recommendations for the creation, restoration, reconstruction and maintenance of shelterbelts in the steppe and forest-steppe zone of Ukraine
(Kyiv, 6 pp., Ukrainian)



Strengthening sector policies for better food security and nutrition results: Education
(48 pp.) FAO & EU – Policy guidance note



Support to women's cooperatives and associations in the agri-food sector in Lebanon
(2 pp. Bilingual in Arabic and English)



Sustainable approaches for plant health
(2 pp.)



The multi-faced role of soil in the Near East and North Africa – Policy brief, soil salinity
(8 pp.)

NEW BOOKS AND BRIEFS

AGRICULTURE



Azerbaijan: Cotton sector review

Based on field visits, interviews and meetings with the public and private sector, this study identifies prospective investment challenges and opportunities associated with the Azerbaijani cotton system by focusing on major agronomic, economic and social issues.
(132 pp.) FAO Investment Centre country highlights



Global soil laboratory assessment – 2018 online survey

The first worldwide study to highlight the importance of global harmonized and standardized analytical procedures in laboratories that conduct soil studies. The study also addresses the need to improve knowledge and competence of laboratory staff.
(52 pp.)



Policy guide to improve water-use efficiency in small-scale agriculture – The case of Burkina Faso, Morocco and Uganda

This guide provides solutions to the challenges of small-scale irrigation schemes in water-scarce countries and proposes policy recommendations to enhance water-use efficiency.

(80 pp.)

ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



Foot and mouth disease vaccination and post-vaccination monitoring – Guidelines

This book provides a country-level set of guidelines to implement the steps of foot and mouth disease vaccination and improve the current post-vaccination monitoring system.

(92 pp., Russian. Also available in [English](#))
FAO & OIE

CLIMATE CHANGE



Gender in adaptation planning for the agriculture sectors – Guide for trainers

A how-to for trainers who are developing workshops to address climate adaptation and gender equality targets in the agricultural sector. The book offers theoretical background, desired outcomes and practical guidance along with templates for presentations.

(188 pp.) FAO & UNDP

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Food security and nutrition policy dialogues in Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia 2016–2019 – A retrospective

A series of short case studies, which highlight good practices and lessons learned from school food and nutrition programmes and from the implementation of food security and nutrition policies in Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia.

(132 pp.)



Promover inversiones responsables en la agricultura y los sistemas alimentarios – Guía para la evaluación de los marcos reglamentarios nacionales que afectan las inversiones privadas a gran escala

This publication is designed to inform national legal assessment exercises to validate findings, highlight gaps and encourage enforcement of existing provisions related to responsible agricultural investment.

(115 pp. Also available in [English](#)) FAO legal papers

FORESTRY



Climate change vulnerability assessment of forests and forest-dependent people

A guide to managing forests properly in the context of climate change, this book supports stakeholders in assessing both direct and indirect impacts as well as options for adapting to climate change.

(104 pp.) FAO forestry paper

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE IN E-BOOK FORMAT

Monitoring and surveillance of antimicrobial resistance in bacteria from healthy food animals intended for consumption

EN: [MOBI](#) | [E-PUB](#)

World fertilizer trends and outlook to 2022

EN: [MOBI](#) | [E-PUB](#)

RECENT RELEASES FROM OTHER UN AGENCIES AND IGOs

ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT – OECD



Trends and drivers of agri-environmental performance in OECD Countries

This report updates the data published in the 2015 OECD Compendium of Agri-environmental Indicators to present a summary of the environmental performance of agriculture in OECD countries as of the end of 2015.

(Paris, 104 pp.)

UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION – UNESCO



Teachers: Changing lives, September–December 2019

This publication highlights the challenges the current young generations face when pursuing a teaching career. These challenges include low wages, limited professional advancements and minimal resources to finance school-based activities.

(Paris, 48 pp. Also available in [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [French](#), [Portuguese](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#))

UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN’S FUND – UNICEF



Humanitarian action for children 2020 – Overview

This report provides information about ongoing conflicts and disasters affecting millions of children and young people around the world, highlighting UNICEF’s work with partners to address these emergencies, and urgent humanitarian needs that remain unmet as 2020 begins.

(New York, 16 pp. Also available in [Arabic](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#))