



NEWSLETTERS



Más que algodón: Boletín trimestral, enero 2018 – No. 3
(Vitacura, 12 pp.)

NEW BROCHURES



El mercado y la identificación de los barcos pesqueros
(12 pp.)



Ghana: En defensa de los derechos de propiedad y la compensación justa para las comunidades forestales
(2 pp., also available in [English](#))



FAO en América del Sur: Hacia los Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible
(16 pp.)



Rapport spécial: Mission FAO/PAM d'évaluation des récoltes et du bétail en Mongolie, 22 décembre 2017 – Extrait
(8 pp.) FAO & WFP



FAO/GIEWS Special alert: The Sudan, 26 January 2018 – No. 342
(4 pp.)



Special report: FAO/WFP crop and food security assessment mission to Madagascar, 22 December 2017 – Summary
(8 pp.)



Forger l'histoire: Éradiquer la peste des petits ruminants – PPR
(10 pp., also available in [English](#)) FAO & OIE



FAO e-learning center
(6 pp.)

FAO E-LEARNING CENTER – COURSES



Building a common vision for sustainable food and agriculture
(2 pp.)



Case study method of food loss analysis
(2 pp.)



Business strategies and public-private partnerships to end child labour in agriculture
(2 pp.) FAO & ILO



Migration and youth in rural areas
(2 pp.)



Outil d'analyse des services de conseil rural relatif à l'égalité hommes-femmes (GRAST)
(4 pp., also available in [English](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#))



Pesticide management and child labour prevention
(2 pp.)



FAW GUIDANCE



[Note 2: Fall armyworm scouting](#)
(2 pp.)



[Note 3: Fall armyworm trapping](#)
(2 pp.)

PARTICIPATORY GUARANTEE SYSTEMS (PGS)



[Participatory Guarantee Systems \(PGS\) for sustainable local food systems](#)
(2 pp.)



[The story of Ms Bun Sieng: A PGS–organic small entrepreneur](#)
(Bangkok, 2 pp.)



[The story of Mr and Ms Keo: Breaking the debt cycle](#)
(Bangkok, 2 pp.)



[The story of Ms Sinsanga and Mr Sengsavang: Spreading knowledge about organic farming](#)
(Bangkok, 2 pp.)



[The story of Ms Bouchan: Women’s economic empowerment](#)
(Bangkok, 2 pp.)



[The story of Ms Sophal and Mr An: Organic vegetables for village markets](#)
(Bangkok, 2 pp.)

NEW BOOKS AND BRIEFS

ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



[Manuel technique de l'éleveur de lapin au Bénin](#)

This manual provides guidance on professional rabbit farming, from breeding techniques to disease-control methods and economic management tools, with the aim of increasing production and competitiveness of the rabbit value chain in Benin.

(Cotonou, 84 pp.) FAO & CECURI

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



[Analyse de la performance des chaînes de valeur miel au Bénin](#)

This study analyses Benin’s honey supply chain and its potential replication in mangrove regions. Focusing on the profitability and competitiveness of the value chain, it highlights the need for improving the institutional framework.

(Cotonou, 108 pp.)



[Institutions, economic freedom and structural transformation in 11 sub-Saharan African countries](#)

This paper explores the relationship between institutions and structural transformation in sub-Saharan Africa, noting that better institutions lead to greater economic freedom and exchange across borders, thereby fostering development.

(44 pp.) FAO Agricultural development economics working paper



[Cambio climático y seguridad alimentaria y nutricional América Latina y el Caribe: Gestión del riesgo de desastres en el sector agrícola](#)

This study calls for improved risk prevention policies in agriculture, through stronger institutional frameworks, farmer participation and better use of information technology.

(Santiago, 44 pp.)



[Pacific Strategic Plan for agricultural and fisheries statistics: Strengthening the evidence base for achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals](#)

This paper supports development of agricultural and fisheries statistics in the Pacific Small Island Developing States, addressing the demand for high-quality regionally comparable statistics for SDG monitoring and evidence-based policy-making.

(Bangkok, 44 pp.) FAO & SPC



FAO Social Protection Framework

In line with FAO's recognition of the role social protection plays in furthering food security and nutrition, this framework promotes the integration of social protection systems into livelihood and rural development strategies. Now available in Russian.

(80 pp., also available in [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#))



Perspectivas de cosechas y situación alimentaria, diciembre 2017 – No. 4

Perspectives de récolte et situation alimentaire, décembre 2017 – No. 4

This report covers 37 countries in need of external food aid, from Iraq, where severe food insecurity stems from persistent conflicts, to Madagascar, where weather shocks have affected agricultural outputs and food access. Now available in French and Spanish.

(40 pp., also available in [English](#)) Global Information and Early Warning System on food and agriculture (GIEWS)

BACKGROUND PAPERS TO THE UNCTAD–FAO COMMODITIES AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT 2017 COMMODITY MARKETS, ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT



Economic importance of cotton in Burkina Faso

A review of the role of cotton production in Burkina Faso's development, focusing on the relationship between prices and economic growth. Although cotton production has had a positive impact, a lack of profitable investment opportunities limits agricultural growth. (68 pp.)



Importance of sorghum in the Mali economy: The role of prices in economic growth, agricultural productivity and food security

According to this report, while sorghum and other staple crops contribute to modest economic growth in Mali, "cheap food" pricing policies and a lack of marketing opportunities limit growth potential and hamper households' ability to rise out of poverty. (56 pp.)



Exploring the impact of alternative population projections on prices, growth and poverty developments

This analysis explores the implications for future economic growth of different agricultural price trajectories using MAGNET, a computable general equilibrium model that takes population growth into account. (60 pp.)



Revisiting Prebisch–Singer: what long-term trends in commodity prices tell us about the future of CDDCs

According to the Prebisch–Singer hypothesis, there is a long-term decline in the price of primary commodities relative to the price of manufactured goods. The paper reviews the theoretical basis of the hypothesis and the empirical evidence for its validity. (36 pp.)



Growth through pricing policy: The case of cocoa in Ghana

This paper explores success factors in cocoa bean production in Ghana, the world's second largest producer. Successful strategies implemented by the state-run marketing board, COCOBOD, included passing on an increasing share of export prices to producers. (28 pp.)



The successes and shortcomings of Costa Rica exports diversification policies

Since the 1980s, Costa Rica has shifted towards an economy based on export diversification and foreign direct investment. While this model has supported economic development, this report argues that it has also intensified income gaps. (56 pp.)

FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE



Data & Information: Guide to IOTC data and information reporting requirements for Members and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties

This guide, developed by the IOTC Secretariat, helps Members and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties comply with IOTC reporting requirements, providing deadlines, useful links and a detailed overview of what data and information must be reported to the Commission. (168 pp., bilingual)



Improving the performance of tilapia farming under climate variation: Perspective from bioeconomic modelling

The results of a bioeconomic model simulating intensive tilapia pond culture under different conditions. The modelling shows that an increase in feed price or mortality, or a decrease in fish price, significantly reduces profitability. (76 pp.)

FAO Fisheries and Aquaculture technical paper



Directrices voluntarias para lograr la sostenibilidad de la pesca en pequeña escala en el contexto de la seguridad alimentaria y la erradicación de la pobreza: Segunda edición

Complementing the 1995 Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, these guidelines highlight the importance of small-scale fisheries and aim to improve their contribution to global food security and nutrition. (San Salvador, 28 pp.)



Report of the sixteenth session of the Sub-Committee on fish trade of the Committee on Fisheries. Busan, Republic of Korea, 4–8 September 2017

Themes covered included food loss and waste, social sustainability, the role of Marine Protected Areas and the impact of climate change on fish supply, trade and consumption. Now available in Chinese and Russian. (36 pp., also available [trilingual](#))



Report of the technical consultation on the Voluntary Guidelines for catch documentation schemes

This consultation was held to elaborate guidelines for catch documentation schemes. It covered illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing-related risks, transparency of the supply chain and the use of secure electronic systems to reduce falsification. (32 pp.) FAO Fisheries and aquaculture report



Implementation of IOTC: Conservation and management measures – Part B

This manual will assist IOTC Members and Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties in better understanding their obligations under the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC). It also provides an overview of the Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs). (140 pp.)



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FORESTRY



Inventaire floristique et faunique des écosystèmes de mangroves et des zones humides côtières du Bénin

This report provides an inventory of flora and fauna species in Benin's mangrove ecosystems, including distribution, conservation and space–time dynamics. It calls for conservation actions for endangered species in partnership with research institutions. (Cotonou, 88 pp.)

PLANT PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



Comment élaborer une stratégie nationale de renforcement des capacités phytosanitaires: Outil pédagogique à l'appui du renforcement des capacités phytosanitaires à l'intention des ONPV

This training tool for National Plant Protection Organizations explains how to prepare a national phytosanitary capacity development strategy, including stakeholder identification, analysis and engagement, and setting up of the institutional framework. Now available in French. (40 pp., also available in [English](#))

RECENT RELEASES FROM OTHER UN AGENCIES AND IGOS

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development – OECD



Catching up? Intergenerational mobility and children of immigrants

This publication includes cross-country comparative work and provides new insights on the complex issue of the intergenerational transmission of disadvantage for native-born children of immigrants. (Paris, 152 pp.)



OECD Review of fisheries: Policies and summary statistics 2017

OECD Review of fisheries provides information on developments in policies and activities in the fishing and aquaculture sectors of OECD countries and participating economies, mainly for the period 2015–16 (Paris, 128 pp.)



Evidence-based policy making for youth well-being: A toolkit

This toolkit provides analytical tools and policy guidance to countries that are developing, implementing or updating their youth policies, including step-by-step modules to carry out a youth well-being diagnosis. (Paris, 164 pp.)



Safety Assessment of Transgenic Organisms in the Environment, Volume 7

Volume 7 describes the biology of tomato and sorghum (centres of origin, genetics, hybridization, production, uses, and ecology) and Atlantic salmon (ecology, rearing and genetics for 'wild' and 'farmed' forms), with useful information for biosafety assessment. (Paris, 252 pp.)