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# **NEWS**

#### **AGRODEP Announces Special Award for Publications**

AGRODEP recently announced a new award opportunity for its members - the Special Award for 2012 Publications. This award is open to all AGRODEP members as a reward for excellent publications in 2012 and as an incentive to produce further publications in the coming year. The award amount is \$3,000.

Members are eligible for this award if they published a paper between January and December 2012 and participated in at least one AGRODEP activity in 2012. Peer review publications, non-peer review publications, and international conference papers with a selection committee will all be considered. AGRODEP will also consider single author publications, coauthor publications with an alphabetical listing of names, and co-author publications with a non-alphabetical listing of names as long as at least one AGRODEP member is in the first or second position.

Interested members should fill out an application form before January 31, 2013. The winner of the award will be announced on February 28, 2013.

# **DEVELOPMENTS**

### **Selection of 2013 AGRODEP Training Courses**

AGRODEP is currently conducting a member survey to select 2013 training courses. The AGRODEP team has compiled a list of 16 proposals for different courses to be held between March and December 2013. Members are kindly requested to fill out a short survey and select the training courses that would best suit their research and professional needs.

### **New Statistics Presented in Country Profiles**

The AGRODEP web team has updated AGRODEP.org's country

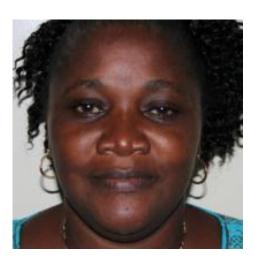
#### **Introducing AGRODEP's New Members**

AGRODEP is pleased to introduce its <u>newest members</u> from the 2012 Special Call for Membership. The call resulted in 34 new members, bringing total AGRODEP membership to 117. This fourth round of membership extension focused on researchers with a background or interest in impact evaluation studies. The AGRODEP team has already received strong participation and feedback from its newest members and looks forward to further collaboration with them in 2013.

We would also like to take this opportunity to encourage all new members to complete their online profiles in order to more effectively connect and interact with your AGRODEP colleagues.

profiles to include a real-time "mash-up" of country-level statistics. The new Key Statistics sections, found on the right-hand sidebar of each country profile, pull the latest data from a variety of sources, including IFPRI, FAO, and the World Bank. These statistics give users access to the latest economic and demographic indicators for each country and will be continuously expanded as new datasets become available.

# FEATURED MEMBERS



Kemisola Omorinre Adenegan is a citizen of Nigeria. She has been an AGRODEP member since April



**Donald Makoka** is a citizen of Malawi. He has been an AGRODEP member since April



Racha Ramadan Mohamed is a citizen of Egypt. She has been an AGRODEP member since April

2012. At present, Kemisola is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Ibadan where she works on gender issues and the marketing-value chain. Before joining the University of Ibadan, she worked for NIL. She holds a Bachelor of Technology in Farm Management and Agricultural Extension from the Federal University of Technology, Akure, as well as an M.Sc. and a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from the University of Ibadan. Her areas of specialization are agribusiness, agricultural markets and prices, and food security and nutrition. Her research interests include gender issues and marketing.

2012. At present, Donald is a Research Fellow at the University of Malawi. In this position, Donald conducts development policy research. He holds a Bachelor of Social Science in Economics from the University of Malawi, an M.A. in Economics from the University of Malawi, and a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Hannover. His area of specialization is development economics. His research interests include poverty and vulnerability, the agriculture value chain, and poverty and health linkages.

2012. At present, Racha is an Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Economics and Political Science-Cairo University. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the Faculty of Economics and Political Science-Cairo University, an M.A in Mathematical Economics and Economics and a Ph.D. in Economics from Toulouse School of Economics. Her areas of specialization are agricultural markets and prices.