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NEWS

[New 2015 Members Welcomed](#)

The AGRODEP Management Team is pleased to announce 43 [new members](#), selected through the [sixth round of membership extension](#). This brings AGRODEP's total membership up to 183 members. Of the new members, 27 are male and 16 are female. The 2015 members are a highly representative group, coming from a total of 18 countries: Guinea, Rwanda, Senegal, Tunisia, Cameroon, Lesotho, Zimbabwe, Burundi, South Africa, Ghana, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Malawi, United Republic of Tanzania, Nigeria, Uganda, Benin, and Kenya. This round of membership extension focused on impact evaluation and value chain analysis; members were selected based in part on their experience with or interest in these topics.

[Latest AGRODEP Working Paper](#)

AGRODEP has released the fourteenth paper in its [Working Paper Series](#). "[Cocoa Pricing Options and Their Implications for Poverty and Industrialization in Ghana](#)," is written by Francis Mulangu, Mario Miranda, and Eugenie Maiga. The paper examines how various cocoa pricing options affect local producers' decisions, with the ultimate goal of determining which policies will help maximize profits and reduce poverty rates among cocoa producers.

DEVELOPMENTS

[2015 Training Course Dates](#)

There are two AGRODEP training courses upcoming in early September. The course on "[Agricultural Distortions and Value Chains](#)" will be held from September 1-3 and taught by Derek Baker of the University of New England, Luca Salvatici of the University Roma Tre, and Simla Tokgoz of IFPRI. This course will emphasize both the conceptual issues and the applied, quantitative approaches of value chain analysis. Participants will learn how to analyze how agricultural distortions impact the agricultural value chain, as well as how trade policy creates value chains and how value chains impact food and nutrition security.

The second course, "[Applied Panel Data Econometrics](#)," will be held from September 7-11 and taught by Christopher F. Parmeter of the School of Business Administration at the University of Miami. The course will teach participants core panel data techniques as well as more cutting-edge methods using the open-source software R.

The schedule of remaining AGRODEP training courses, scheduled for October 2015, is available [here](#).

FEATURED MEMBERS



Dr. Adebunola Adepoju is a citizen of Nigeria. She joined AGRODEP in 2015. At present, Adebunola is a Senior Lecturer at the Ladoké Akintola University of Technology. In this position, she teaches and conducts research in agricultural economics. She holds a B. Tech (Agric) in Agricultural Economics and Extension from Federal University of Technology, an MSc. in Agricultural Economics from the University of Ibadan, and a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from the University of Ibadan. Her area of specialization is Development Economics. Her research interests include poverty analysis, welfare economics, farm management, food security, and social policy analysis.



Dr. Aboubacar Diaby is a citizen of Guinea. He joined AGRODEP in 2015. At present, Aboubacar is a Program Officer for Monitoring and Evaluation at the Alliance for Green Revolution in Africa, where he monitors and evaluates economic analysis and impact evaluation. He holds a BA in Agronomy and an M.Sc. in Department des Sciences Humaines from Institut Agronomique et Veterinaire Hassan II and a Ph.D. in Economics from Southern Illinois University. He specializes in development economics. His research interests include impact evaluation, poverty measurement and analysis, public economics, development economics, and international trade.



Dr. Adedayo Adedeji is a citizen of Nigeria. He joined AGRODEP in 2015. At present, Adedayo is a Lecturer at the Bells University of Technology. In this position, he teaches and conducts research on economics-related topics. He holds a B.S. in Educational Foundation and Counseling from Obafemi Awolowo University, an M.Sc. in Economics from Obafemi Awolowo University, and a Ph.D. in Economics from the same institution. He specializes in development economics. His research interests include health economics, development economics, applied econometrics, economic modeling, and macroeconomics.

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