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## NEWS

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### [Artificial Insemination: Livestock Productivity and Economic Growth in Senegal](#)

AGRODEP has released a new [working paper](#), “[Artificial Insemination: Livestock Productivity and Economic Growth in Senegal](#).” This paper, authored by AGRODEP member [Joseph Cabral](#), examines the effects of an artificial cattle insemination program conducted in Senegal from 2008-2011. The paper finds that while production of cattle and related products (milk, processed meat, and leather) increase under the program, price and income effects are mixed.

### [Impacts of Health Services on Agricultural Labor Productivity of Rural Households in Burkina Faso](#)

A second new AGRODEP [working paper](#), entitled “[Impacts of Health Services on Agricultural Labor Productivity of Rural Households in Burkina Faso](#)” was written by AGRODEP member [Omer Combarry](#). This paper finds that the use of a Health and Social Promotion Center to treat an unexpected illness during the rainy season can improve farm households’ labor productivity.

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## DEVELOPMENTS

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### [AGRODEP Impact Evaluation Network Workshop](#)

The [AGRODEP Impact Evaluation Network \(AIEN\)](#) will be holding a workshop from March 7-8, 2016 in Washington DC. Ten members of the AIEN will present papers and proposals for feedback and potential collaboration or mentorship. The workshop aims to foster collaboration between AGRODEP researchers and other impact evaluation researchers from IFPRI and other Washington DC-based institutions

### [AGRODEP Training Course on Tools for Value Chain Analysis](#)

AGRODEP will hold a [training course on tools for value chain analysis](#) from March 29 to April 1, 2016 in Dakar, Senegal. The two-part course will feature the Women’s Empowerment in Agriculture Index (WEAI) and the Participatory Market Chain Approach (PMCA). Course applications are accepted until February 25.

## FEATURED MEMBERS



**Dr. Nigist Abreha** is a citizen of Ethiopia. She joined AGRODEP in April 2013. At present, Nigist is a Senior Technical Expert at the Ethiopian Agricultural Transformation Agency. She holds a B.A. in Agricultural Economics from Alemaya University, an M.Sc. in Development Economics from the Wageningen University, and a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics & Rural Policy from Wageningen University. Her research interests include micro-econometric analysis of development issues, focusing on measuring households' attitudes about risk, household labor supply, poverty, and impact evaluation of development programs.



**Dr. Damien Mededji** is a citizen of Benin. He joined AGRODEP in November 2012. At present, Damien is a Technical Assistant at the National Institute of Statistics and Economic Analysis. In this position, he carries out impact studies on vulnerability and poverty. He holds a B.A. in Statistics from the Université Nationale du Bénin (UNB) and an M.A. and Ph.D. from Clermont-Ferrand in France. He specializes in development economics, impact evaluation, and poverty analysis and measurement.



**Dr. Senia Nhamo** is a citizen of Zimbabwe. She joined AGRODEP in July 2015. At present, Senia is a Senior Lecturer of Economics at the University of South Africa. She holds a B.S. in Economics from the University of Zimbabwe, an M.A. in Economics from the University of Botswana, and a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Witwatersrand. Her research interests include inclusive economic growth and the economic empowerment of women in Africa, with a focus on fragile states.

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