

## NEWS

### AGRODEP Enters Second Phase

The AGRODEP project has begun its second phase, which will build upon the successes and achievements made during its first six-year phase. The second phase of the project aims to consolidate AGRODEP's position as a leading provider of analytical and advisory services to the wider CAADP network.

In the second phase, AGRODEP will continue to be coordinated by a small management team. The project will focus on three components:

- Policy Analysis and Advisory Services: Under this component, we will provide services to key stakeholders in Africa. This component will rely on high quality AGRODEP experts, who will be supported by mentors to create PAAS teams.
- Technical Resource Library: This component will support the maintenance and expansion of AGRODEP's clearinghouse of technical resources (economic models, tool boxes, datasets).
- Capacity Strengthening: This component will support collaboration among leading African researchers and facilitate the upgrading of members' skills through trainings and workshops.

## DEVELOPMENTS

### AGRODEP Members Participate in Economic Modeling Workshop

In February, several AGRODEP members participated in a workshop on "Computable general equilibrium modeling of the effects of national policies on the economy and agriculture of Senegal."

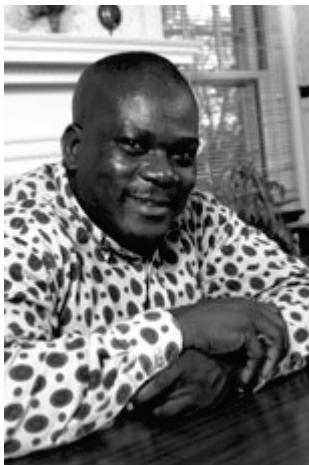
The workshop was organized by the Agricultural Economics Unit of the Joint Research Center (Seville), with support from the Agricultural and Rural Prospective Initiative (IPAR), AGRODEP, Wageningen Economic Research, and Wageningen Environmental Research.

The event included three sessions on agriculture, food security, and economy in Senegal; case studies of computable general equilibrium modeling; and presentations of the first computable general equilibrium model of the JRC.

AGRODEP participants included Joseph François Cabral, Suwadu Sakho-Jimbira, and Ismaël Fofana.

View the [full program and participant list](#) from the event.

## FEATURED MEMBERS



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