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NEWS

[AGRODEP Announces Winner of Special Award for 2012 Publications](#)

The AGRODEP team is pleased to announce the winner of the [Special Award for 2012 Publications](#). AGRODEP member [Nicodeme Nimenya](#) will receive the award for his publication, "Tariff Equivalents of Non-Tariff Measures: The Case of European Horticultural and Fish Imports from African Countries." Co-authored by Pascal-Firmin Ndimira of the University of Burundi and Bruno Henry de Frahan of the Universite Catholique de Louvain, the paper was published in *Agricultural Economics* 43(6).

The Special Award for 2012 Publications was open to all AGRODEP members who published a paper between January - December 2012. The award was designed as both a reward for excellent publications in 2012 and as an incentive for AGRODEP members to continue publishing high-quality work in 2013. The call for this award drew a very enthusiastic response with a large number of high caliber papers.

DEVELOPMENTS

[Stata Online Training Modules](#)

Since Stata proficiency is a requirement for many AGRODEP training courses, the AGRODEP team has created [five Stata training modules](#) that present the basic skills and commands members will need to successfully complete AGRODEP's training courses. All AGRODEP members are encouraged to take advantage of these training resources.

[AGRODEP Technical Note Series Expanded](#)

AGRODEP continues to expand its

First 2013 AGRODEP Training Course To Be Held

AGRODEP will hold its first 2013 training course from May 13-18. The course will be on [Impact Evaluation and Analysis of Development Interventions](#), organized by Tanguy Bernard of IFPRI. This is part one of two courses on the subject of impact evaluation; a follow-up course will be held in the fall. The instructors for part one will be Jenny Aker of Tufts University, Alan de Brauw of IFPRI, and Ruth Vargas Hill of IFPRI.

The course intends to provide African-based researchers with both technical and topical knowledge relating to the topic of impact evaluation. The course also aims to build a high-level network of local impact evaluation practitioners within the region. Part one will cover an introduction to the AGRODEP Impact Evaluation Network, the design and implementation of randomized control trials with an emphasis on power calculations, developments in the evaluation of safety net programs with an emphasis on applying regression discontinuity designs, and developments in the study of weather insurance with an emphasis on dealing with partial compliance in impact evaluation designs.

View the [full list](#) of AGRODEP 2013 Training Courses.

[Technical Note Series](#). These notes address the methodology, functioning, and use cases of a wide range of models and are designed to provide AGRODEP members with the most state-of-the-art tools. Two additional notes have been added since November:

- [TN 06: Modeling Commodity Markets in Stochastic Contexts: A Practical Guide Using the RECS Toolbox Version 0.5](#)
- [TN 07: Trade Policy Partial Equilibrium Model in Excel: Documentation](#)

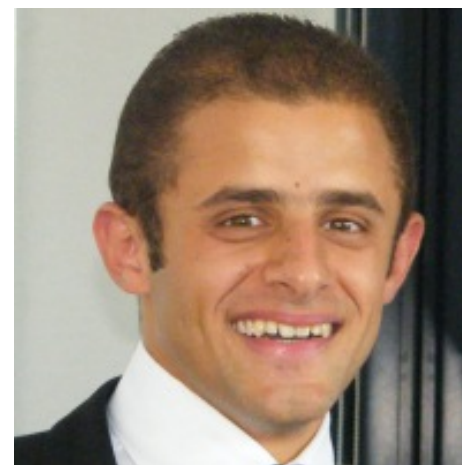
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