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NEWS

New AGRODEP Working Paper

The sixth working paper in the AGRODEP series has been released. "[Impact of Agricultural Foreign Aid on Agricultural Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Dynamic Specification](#)" is written by [Reuben Adeolu Alabi](#) of Ambrose Alli University in Nigeria. The paper looks at the impact of different types of foreign aid on agricultural GDP and agricultural productivity throughout SSA using indicators from 47 countries during 2002-2010, and finds that overall, foreign aid has a positive and significant impact in the region. While bilateral foreign aid affects agricultural productivity more strongly, multilateral foreign aid has a larger impact on agricultural GDP. The paper concludes by highlighting the need to scale up funding (both foreign and domestic) for factors that will enhance productivity in the region, such as improved water resources and agricultural research and development. The research behind the paper was supported by AGRODEP's Innovative Research Grant.

The AGRODEP [Working Paper series](#) is a bilingual (English and French) online publication that aims at enhancing the visibility of AGRODEP members and contributing to AGRODEP's policy dialogue. Papers focus on such topics as economic growth, poverty reduction, and development policy in Africa.

DEVELOPMENTS

New Affiliate Members Welcomed

The AGRODEP management team is pleased to welcome three new [affiliate members](#): [Sylvanus Kwaku Afesorgbor](#), [Didier Alia](#), and [John Ilukor](#). The [Affiliate Membership program](#) aims to increase AGRODEP members' exposure to colleagues and experts outside of the Consortium. Affiliate Membership is open to AGRODEP members who relocate outside Africa, qualified African researchers who live and work outside Africa, and qualified African and non-African researchers who work in international and CG centers within Africa.

First AGRODEP Data Report

AGRODEP is pleased to announce the release of its first Data Report. "[Construction D'une Matrice de Comptabilite Sociale Avec des Branches et Produits Agricoles Desagreges Pour le Togo](#)" is based on the recently released [Togo 2007 Social Accounting Matrix \(SAM\)](#), prepared by Damien Akoete Ega Agbodji of the University of Lome. Using data from 2007, the study disaggregated the two main agricultural sub-sectors, subsistence agriculture and export-oriented agriculture, into 10 major agricultural commodities or commodity groups.

The Data Report series is designed to document AGRODEP datasets and are intended for help members gain a fuller understanding of the technical aspects of the data.

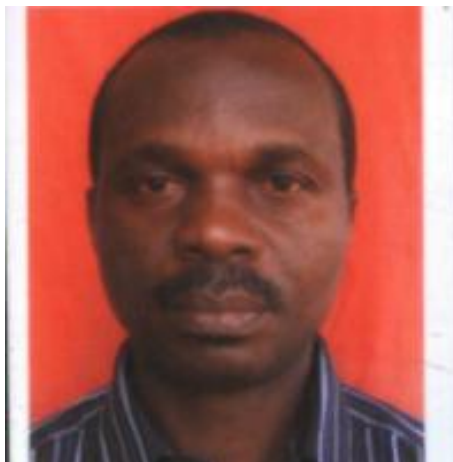
Upcoming 2014 Training Course

The [2014 training courses](#) are scheduled to continue in September. The next course will be "Applied Microeconometrics," held on September 16-18. A course on "Applied Panel Data Econometrics" will be held on September 22-25, and a course on "Productivity and Efficiency Analysis" will be held on September 29-October 3. Dates for a course on "Evaluation of Public Policies" will be announced soon.

FEATURED MEMBERS



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Research and Consultancy at the Independent Institute of Lay Adventists of Kigali (INILAK). In this position, Gaudiose coordinates and ensures quality for research and consultancy, technology transfer, and publications, develops partnerships with other Universities and research institutions, and manages the publication of East African Journal of Science and Technology. She holds a B.A. in Economics from Stella Maris College/Madras University-India, an M.Sc. in International Development Studies from Wageningen University/Netherlands, and a Ph.D. in Development Economics from Wageningen University/Netherlands. She specializes in agricultural markets and prices.

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