
NEWS

New Data Report Released

"[Construction of a Social Accounting Matrix for Kenya, 2009](#)," was recently published in the [AGRODEP Data Report series](#). The report and corresponding data set were created by AGRODEP member Miriam Omolo under the [2011 Innovative Research Grant](#). This SAM provides an update from the previous Kenya SAM based on 2003 data.

The AGRODEP Data Report series is designed to document AGRODEP datasets and provide a fuller understanding of the data's technical aspects.

AGRODEP Working Paper Series

The latest addition to the [AGRODEP Working Paper series](#) is "[Product Standards and Africa's Agricultural Exports](#)" by AGRODEP Member, Olayinka Kareem. This paper examines the impacts of EU import standards on African exports, with a particular emphasis on specific standards for seafood, vegetables, and coffee.

DEVELOPMENTS

December 2014 Training Courses

Two AGRODEP training courses took place at the University of Pretoria in December 2014.

A total of 15 members attended the courses, the first course on the [Evaluation of Public Policies](#), and the second on [Productivity & Efficiency Analysis](#).

Two remaining 2014 AGRODEP training courses have been postponed due to the ongoing Ebola situation in West Africa. New dates for these courses and the next series of courses will be announced in 2015.

FEATURED MEMBERS



Dr. Olufunke Alaba is a citizen of Nigeria. She has been an AGRODEP member since April 2012. At present, Olufunke is a Lecturer at the School of Public Health and Family Medicine, in the University of CapeTown. In this position, Olufunke conducts research on health and development economics. Before joining the University of CapeTown, Olufunke worked for the University of Pretoria. She holds a B.Sc. in Economics from the University of Ado-Ekiti, an M.Sc. in Economics from the University of Ibadan, and a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Ibadan. Her areas of specialization are applied econometrics, health, education and welfare economics, and poverty measurement and analysis.



Dr. Adebayo Shittu is a citizen of Nigeria. He has been an AGRODEP member since April 2013. Adebayo is currently an Associate Professor in Agricultural and Resource Economics at the Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Nigeria and recently completed a two year term as the Deputy Dean of the College of Agricultural Management and Rural Development. He holds a B.Sc. from Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, an M.Sc. from the University of Ibadan, and a Ph.D. from the Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta. His research interests include applied microeconomic analysis, food policy and development economics, environment and natural resource economics, and efficiency and productivity analysis.



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