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## **NEWS**

### Assessing the Impact of Rice Sector Policy Reforms on the Income Mobility of Rural Households in Nigeria

AGRODEP recently released its working paper. "Assessing the Impact of Rice Sector Policy Reforms on the Income Mobility of Rural Households in Nigeria" examines whether the policy reforms (specifically tariff barriers on imported rice and increased domestic rice production) enacted under Nigeria's Agricultural Transformation Agenda will lead to income benefits or losses for rural households. The author concludes that Nigeria's rice policies will lead to employment benefits and income gains for most households.

#### AGRODEP Membership Directory Update

AGRODEP is currently in the process of updating its member directory in preparation for activities for the next phase of the project. In addition to current address information, updated CVs, and links to their publications through GoogleScholar and Researchgate, members are asked to provide input regarding their participation in AGRODEP activities. During the next phase, AGRODEP aims to consolidate its position as a provider of analytical and advisory services to the wider community of CAADP stakeholders.

# **DEVELOPMENTS**

### AGRODEP Members Participate in NAIP Clinics

Three NAIP clinics have been held at the IFPRI office in Dakar in 2017. The clinics covered: Food Security and Nutrition, led by Sheryl Hendriks and Namukolo Covic; Gender, led by Fleur Wouterse; and Regional Trade, led by Fousseini Traore and Sunday Odjo.

The AGRODEP members who participated in each clinic are as follows:

Regional Trade: Henry Okodua, Hassen Hussien, Ajao Olajide, Miriam Omolo, Bernard Kiplimo Langat, Nicholas Ngepah

Gender: Oluwafunmiso Adeola Olajide, Bethuel Kinuthia

Food Security and Nutrition: Raphael Babatunde, Simon Kimenju, Oluwafunmiso Adeola Olaiide

These training sessions aim to train African experts to carry out the analytical work needed for NAIP appraisal and design.

### **FEATURED MEMBERS**



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Dr. Kolawole Ogundari is a citizen of Nigeria. He is an AGRODEP Affiliate Member. At present, Kolawole is a Postdoctoral Researcher at the University of Delaware, where he is conducting research on the adoption of alternative agricultural technology among lima bean farmers. He holds a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from Georg August University of Gottingen, Germany. His research interests include production economics and development economics.



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