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FAO and the SDGs

The booklet *FAO and the SDGs – Indicators: Measuring up to the 2030 Agenda* is now available online in [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#).

NEW BROCHURES



**Food Price Monitoring and Analysis Bulletin
10 April 2017**
(18 pp.)



**Roadmap for the implementation of the FAO
Agreement on Port State Measures**
(2 pp.)



**Strengthening Afghanistan institutions
capacity for the assessment of agriculture
production and scenarios development**
(8 pp.)



Gender News Asia Pacific – February 2017
(Bangkok, 8 pp.)



**RuralInvest: a participatory approach for
preparing rural investment plans**
(4 pp.)



Typhoon Haima & Sarika
(Manila, 2 pp.)

NEW BOOKS AND BRIEFS

AGRICULTURE



Case study on the use of Information and Communication Technology in the management of rural groundwater in China
An overview of how an Intelligent Card (ICard) system facilitates water resource management and brings economic and social benefits by reducing losses from electricity theft and increasing transparency of water usage. (Bangkok, 64 pp.)
FAO & China Agricultural University



Combined effects and synergies between agricultural and social protection interventions: What is the evidence so far?
This publication identifies interactions between agricultural and social protection interventions and shows the positive impacts of combined programmes on income diversification, food security and poverty reduction. (160 pp.)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Développer des chaînes de valeur sensibles au genre
A description of key drivers for women's economic empowerment, such as agency and access to productive resources, this publication presents FAO's Gender-Sensitive Value Chain Framework. (40 pp., also available in [English](#))



Formalization of informal trade in Africa: Trends, experiences and socio-economic impacts
Four approaches to formalizing informal trade – based on policy and legislation, partnerships, rights, and incentives and compliance – presented via case studies and recommendations, including regulatory reform, limiting business licensing and tackling corruption. (Accra, 34 pp.) FAO & CUTS International



Evaluation of FAO's contribution to rural poverty reduction through Strategic Programme 3
This report assesses the effectiveness of FAO's approach to poverty reduction in terms of relevance, programme design, communication, partnerships and sustainability, and identifies challenges and opportunities for SP3 implementation. (34 pp.)



FORESTRY



[Arbres, forêts et utilisation des terres dans les zones arides: Première évaluation mondiale](#)

The preliminary results from FAO's pioneering Global Drylands Assessment, using satellite imagery and a new survey methodology, revealed notably that over one quarter of global forest area is situated in drylands.

(32 pp., also available in [English](#))



[Living in and from the forests of Central Africa](#)

An overview of how forest biodiversity (including wild fruits, mushrooms, insects, bark, nuts, molluscs and algae) can be sustainably exploited by local communities for nutritional and economic benefit as food, building materials or medicines.

(254 pp., also available in [French](#)) **Non-wood Forest Products**

PLANT PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



[Integrated pest management of major pests and diseases in Eastern Europe and the Caucasus](#)

This book describes the major plant pests and diseases, including symptoms, possible location, and ways of monitoring. It gives guidance on Integrated Pest Management for sustainable intensification of crop production and risk reduction.

(108 pp.)



[International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management - Guidelines on Highly Hazardous Pesticides](#)

Guidelines to identify Highly Hazardous Pesticides using the criteria established by FAO and WHO, which help countries assess (via the FAO Pesticide Registration Toolkit) and mitigate (e.g. reducing use, changing formulations) risks to human and environmental health.

(36 pp.)