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Since our last quarterly update, 41 new items have been added to our web site, according to the major headings and subheadings of the site, as specified below:

I. Overview

A. Cross-Cutting Outreach Contributions

1. [Do Fertilizer Subsidies Improve Food Security & Well-being? Evidence from Malawi](#). J. Ricker-Gilbert, T.S. Jayne. Future of Food & Nutrition Conference, Tufts University. April 10, 2010.

II. FS III In-Country/Regional Activities and Publication Directories

A. Support to COMESA and CAADP

2. Quarterly Report: [October - December 2009](#)
3. USAID EGAT/AG and AFR/SD Briefing on Insights for the Implementation of the GHFSI. USAID, Ronald Reagan Building, Washington, DC. February 19, 2010.
 - [Food Security III and the GHFSI](#). Eric Crawford and Duncan Boughton.
 - [Regional Dimensions of Effective Food Security Strategies in Africa](#). Steven Haggblade.
 - [Smallholder Productivity Growth and Market Access: Recent Findings and Implications for GHFSI Implementation](#). T.S. Jayne.

B. Malawi

4. [Malawi's Maize Marketing System](#). T. S. Jayne, Nicholas Sitko, Jacob Ricker-Gilbert, and Julius Mangisoni. February 6, 2010

C. Mozambique Productivity and Policy

5. [MSU in Mozambique: Support to Policy Analysis and Agricultural Research](#). Gilead Mlay, Cynthia Donovan, and Raul Pitoro. Presented at the Launch of the Platform for Agricultural Research and Innovation in Mozambique, held at the Mozambican Institute for Agricultural Research (IIAM), Maputo, Mozambique on April 19, 2010.
6. [MSU em Moçambique: Apoio a Análise de Políticas e Investigação Agrícola](#). Gilead Mlay, Cynthia Donovan, e Raul Pitoro. Apresentação ao Lançamento do Plataforma para Investigação Agrária e Inovação de Moçambique, apresentado no Instituto de Investigação Agrária de Moçambique Maputo. 19 de Abril de 2010.
7. [Sobre o Papel do Governo no Mercado de Alimentos Básicos: Panorama Baseado em Pesquisa Recente e Implicações para Moçambique](#). Emílio Tostão e David Tschirley. 19 de Março de 2010. Volume 54p.
8. [On the Role of Government in Food Staples Markets: Perspectives from Recent Research and Implications for Mozambique](#). Emílio Tostão and David Tschirley. March 19, 2010. Volume 54e.
9. [Sobre o Papel do Governo no Mercado de Alimentos Básicos. Panorama Baseado em Pesquisa Recente e Implicações para Moçambique](#). Emílio Tostão e David Tschirley. Apresentado no Instituto de Investigação Agropecuária de Moçambique Maputo. 24 de Março de 2010.

D. Mali Food Security Initiative: Phase II

10. [Sécurité alimentaire en Afrique de l'Ouest : Enjeux et Eléments Stratégique pour sa Réalisation](#). Niama Nango Dembélé and John M. Staatz. Contribution au Forum de Bamako. 16 au 20 février 2010. PRESAO Document de travail 2010-02
11. [Niveau Exceptionnellement élevé des prix des céréales sèches en début de récolte](#). Bulletin d'analyse prospective du marché agricole. Janvier 2010
12. [Rapport de l'atelier de formation en Suivi et Evaluation des Plans de Sécurité Alimentaire dans la Région de Sikasso](#). Abdramane Traoré. Sikasso, le 06 février 2010.
13. Quarterly Activity Report : [October– December, 2009](#)

14. [Rapid Reconnaissance of Coarse Grain Production and Marketing in the CMDT zone of southern Mali: field work report of the IER-CSA-PROMISAM team December 13 – 19, 2009](#). Duncan Boughton and Niama Nango Dembélé. January 26, 2010.

E. [Zambia](#)

15. [Project Brochure](#): Summarizes project approach and selected outputs
16. Media Reports. [Kabaghe calls for 'conducive policies' to boost agriculture](#). Florence Bupe. [The Post Newspapers Zambia](#), Feb. 23, 2010.
17. [Spatial and Regional Dimensions of Food Security in Zambia](#). Steven Haggblade, Steven Longabaugh and David Tschirley. Number 38, February, 2010.
18. [Natural Resource Management, Food Security And Rural Development In Zambia: Moving From Research Evidence To Action. Proceedings Of The Public Forum](#). Phyllis Simasiku, Antony Chapoto, Robert Richardson, Mwape Sichilongo, Gelson Tembo, Michael Weber and Alimakio Zulu. Number 37, February, 2010.
19. [A Case Study of Regulation in Zambia's Cotton Sector](#). David Tschirley and Stephen Kabwe. Working Paper No. 45. April 2010.
20. [Natural Resource Management, Food Security, and Rural Development in Zambia: Moving From Research Evidence to Action Proceedings of the Public Forum](#). Phyllis Simasiku, Antony Chapoto, Robert Richardson, Mwape Sichilongo, Gelson Tembo, Michael Weber and Alimakio Zulu. Working Paper No. 44. February 2010.
21. [Talking Points: Supply, Demand, Prices and Marketing for the 2010/2011 Zambian Maize Marketing Season](#). ACF/FSRP contribution to FRA organized discussion of factors to consider for the Zambian 2010/2011 maize marketing season. April 23, 2010
22. [Is Credit and Input Distribution the Answer to Increased Crop Production and Incomes in Zambia?](#) Chance Kabaghe. Economics Association of Zambia Public Discussion Forum, Pamodzi Hotel, 08 April, 2010. 11.
23. [Cotton Sector Regulation and Facilitation Process in Zambia. A Case Study](#). Stephen Kabwe and David Tschirley. Presented at Southern and Eastern Africa Cotton Forum (SEACF), 10th Plenary Meeting. Lusaka. 8–11 March 2010.
24. Private Public Partnership in Grain Marketing in Zambia, Protea, Chisamba , Lusaka, Zambia, 6 March 2010.
 - [Program](#)
 - [A Zambia Case Study. Public Procurement and Private Sector](#). Felix Edwards
 - [ZAMACE Role in Zambia's Grain Sector and Warehouse Receipts Success, Challenges and Opportunities](#). Brian Tembo.
 - [Alternative Strategies for National Food Reserve Management](#). Rob Munro.
 - [Experiences, Challenges & Opportunities in Grain Trading in Zambia](#). Grain Traders Association of Zambia.
 - [Regional grain trade, opportunities and constraints](#). Cris Muyunda and Jones Govereh.
 - [FRA Experiences & Challenges in Managing Food Reserves](#). Lazarous M. Mawele.
 - [The Role of Risk Management in Food Commodity Trade](#). Jan Nijhoff.
25. HIV/AIDS and Development in Zambia. Taking Stock and Rethinking Policies. February 2010, Taj Pamodzi Hotel, Lusaka
 - [Workshop Program](#)
 - [ARV Treatment in Zambia: Current Issues](#). Chileshe Mulenga. Institute of Economic and Social Research, University of Zambia.
 - [Barriers and Outcomes: TB patients co-infected with HIV accessing Antiretroviral Therapy in Rural Zambia](#). Mutale Chileshe and Virginia Bond. ZAMBART Project and LSHTM.
 - [Does Food Assistance Lessen the Adverse Impacts of Adult Morbidity and Mortality on Household Welfare in Zambia?](#) Gelson Tembo. University of Zambia Department of Agricultural Economics & Extension Education.
 - [Does AIDS Related Mortality Reduce Per Capita Household Income? Evidence from Rural Zambia](#). Toman Omar Mahmoud and Rainer Thiele. Kiel Institute for the World Economy.
 - [Policy Overview and Status of the AIDS Epidemic in Zambia](#). Ben Chirwa. National HIV/AIDS/STI/TB Council.
 - [What do we \(need to\) know about the development impact of AIDS in Africa?](#) Robert Greener
 - [Widows Land Security in the Era of HIV/AIDS: Panel Survey Evidence from Zambia](#). Antony Chapoto, Thom Jayne and Nicole Mason.

26. [Zambia Agricultural Surveys: A Voice for Smallholders?](#) Antony Chapoto. Norwegian Embassy/Zambia. February 11, 2010
27. [The Impact of Trade Barriers and Market Interventions on Maize Price Unpredictability: Evidence from Eastern and Southern Africa.](#) A. Chapoto and T. S. Jayne. Third AAMP Regional Workshop and Seminar on: "Food Prices Variability: Causes, Consequences, and Policy Options." Maputo, Mozambique. January 25-30, 2010.
28. [Cassava's Potential as a Cash Crop](#) - April 2010
29. [Access to Land, Food Security and Poverty Reduction in Rural Zambia: Connecting the Policy Issues](#) - February 2010

III. [Related In-Country/Regional Projects and Publications Directories](#)

A. [African Agricultural Markets Programme](#)

30. Seminar 2. Fertilizer Policy Symposium (Livingstone, June 15-19, 2009)
 - Conference Summary
 - [Fertilizer Policy Seminar Proceedings](#)
 - List of Participants: [Training](#), [Policy Seminar](#)
 - Background Documents
 - [Getting Fertilizers to Farmers: How to do it? Who should do it? and Why it Should be Done? Key Policy Messages.](#)
 - [Fertilizer Subsidies in Eastern and Southern Africa.](#) Thom Jayne, Nick Minot and Shahidur Rashid. Policy Synthesis #2.
 - [Fertilizer Marketing in Eastern and Southern Africa.](#) Steven Haggblade and Thomas Jayne. Policy Synthesis #1
 - Seminar Presentations
 - [Challenges in Developing Agricultural Input Markets in Africa.](#) B. L. Bumb
 - [Promoting Fertilizer Use in Africa: Current Issues and Empirical Evidence from the COMESA Region.](#) T. Jayne, S. Rashid, N. Minot, S. Kasule
 - [Fertiliser Joint Procurement: Issues and Options.](#) Julius Mathende and Balu.L Bumb.
 - [Suggestions for Developing Efficient Fertilizer Supply Chains in COMESA.](#) Ron Kopicki
 - [Fertilizer policy and use in Tanzania.](#) Nicholas Minot.
 - [Fertilizer in Ethiopia: Policies, Achievements, and Constraints.](#) Shahidur Rashid.
 - [Trends and Patterns in Fertilizer Use by Smallholder Farmers in Kenya, 1997-2008.](#) T.S. Jayne and Joshua Ariga
 - [The Fertilizer Market in Uganda: Policies and Challenges.](#) Steven Kasule, Julian, Thembo & S. Rashid
 - [Fertilizer subsidies in Sub-Saharan Africa.](#) Nicholas Minot
 - [Market-Friendly Support to Resource Poor Farmers.](#) B. L. Bumb and D. I. Gregory
 - [Implementation of the Abuja Declaration on Fertilizers for an African Green Revolution: A Progress Report.](#) Maria Wanzala
 - Training Materials
 - [Workshop Training Module. Getting Fertilizers to Farmers: How to do it? Who should do it? and Why it Should be Done?](#)
 - [Objectives, outcomes, and trade-offs associated with alternative fertilizer promotion programs.](#)
 - [What determines the cost of fertilizer at the farm gate? Cost build-up analysis.](#)
 - [Fertilizer Supply Cost Components, Malawi.](#) (spreadsheet)
 - [Fertilizer profitability analysis](#)
 - [Fertilizer Profitability](#) (spreadsheet)
 - [Experiences and lessons learned with alternative fertilizer promotion efforts](#)
 - [Fertilizer Policy Toolkit – an Interactive Policy Tool](#)
31. Seminar 3. "Food Prices Variability: Causes, Consequences, and Policy Options" (Maputo, Mozambique, January 25-30, 2010)
 - Conference Summary
 - [Variation in Staple Food Prices in Eastern and Southern Africa: A Synthesis.](#)
 - [Variation in Staple Food Prices in Eastern and Southern Africa: Causes, Consequences and Policy Options](#)
 - [Variação nos preços de produtos alimentares básicos na África Austral e Oriental](#)
 - Background Documents

-[Transmission of World Food Price Changes to African Markets and its Effect on Household Welfare](#). Nicholas Minot.

-[Are Staple Food Markets in Africa Efficient? Spatial Price Analyses and Beyond](#). Shahidur Rashid, Nicholas Minot, with assistance from Solomon Lemma and Befekadu Behute.

-[Staple food prices in Mozambique](#). Cynthia Donovan and Emilio Tostão.

-[Staple food prices in Kenya](#). Joshua Ariga, T.S. Jayne, and Stephen Njukia.

-[Staple food prices in Malawi](#). Nicholas Minot.

-[Staple food prices in Zambia](#). Antony Chapoto, Jones Govereh, Steven Haggblade and Thomas Jayne.

-[Staple food prices in Tanzania](#). Nicholas Minot.

-[Staple food prices in Uganda](#). Steve Haggblade and Reno Dewina.

-[Staple Food Prices in Ethiopia](#). Shahidur Rashid

- Seminar Presentations

-[Transmission of world food prices to African markets](#). Nicholas Minot

-[Are staple food markets in Africa efficient?](#) Shahidur Rashid and Nicholas Minot.

-[The Impact of Trade Barriers and Market Interventions on Maize Price Unpredictability: Evidence from Eastern and Southern Africa](#). A. Chapoto and T. S. Jayne.

-[Preços de Produtos Alimentares Básicos em Mozambique](#). Victorino Xavier, Cynthia Donovan, e Emilio Tostão.

-[Staple food prices in Kenya](#). Joshua Ariga, T.S. Jayne, and Stephen Njukia.

-[Staple food prices in Malawi](#). Nicholas Minot

-[Staple food prices in Zambia](#). Antony Chapoto, Jones Govereh, Steven Haggblade and Thomas Jayne.

-[Staple food prices in Tanzania](#). Nicholas Minot.

-[Staple food prices in Uganda](#). Monica Kansiime-Owuor.

-[Staple food prices in Ethiopia](#). Shahidur Rashid and Asfaw Negassa.

-[Buffer stocks \(P. Stocks\) for food price stabilization](#). S. Rashid, N. Minot, and T. Jayne.

-[Price controls in food markets](#). Nicholas Minot.

-[Policy options for influencing prices: Agricultural productivity and crop diversification](#). Steven Haggblade.

-[Policies for promoting efficiency in food markets](#). Nicholas Minot.

- Training Materials

-[Determinants of price level: the role of production cost and farm productivity](#). Steven Haggblade. [spreadsheet example](#)

-[Marketing Margins and Marketing Costs](#). T.S. Jayne. [spreadsheet example](#)

-[Analyzing price seasonality](#). Asfaw Negassa and Shahidur Rashid. [spreadsheet example](#), [Review of Questions: Seasonality Analysis](#)

-[Measuring food price transmission](#). Nicholas Minot. [spreadsheet example](#)

-[Analyzing the interplay of macro and food policies](#). Shahidur Rashid. [spreadsheet example](#)

-[Impact of staple food price changes on households](#). Nicholas Minot. [spreadsheet example](#)

-[Price analysis exercise](#). spreadsheet examples: [Ethiopia](#), [Kenya](#), [Malawi](#), [Mozambique](#), [Tanzania](#), [Uganda](#), [Zambia](#), [World](#)

B. Guiding Investments in Sustainable Agricultural Markets in Africa (GISAMA)

32. [Smallholder Marketing Behavior and Urban Consumption Patterns in Eastern and Southern Africa](#). GISAMA Policy Synthesis #3. March 2009.

33. [Opportunities and Challenges for Strengthening Staple Food Markets in Eastern and Southern Africa](#). GISAMA Policy Synthesis #2. March 2009.

34. [Policies and Public Investments to Promote Smallholder Green Revolutions in Africa: Lessons from Asia](#). GISAMA Policy Synthesis #1. December 2009.

35. [Patterns and Trends in Food Staples Markets in Eastern and Southern Africa: Toward the Identification of Priority Investments and Strategies for Developing Markets and Promoting Smallholder Productivity Growth](#). T.S. Jayne, Nicole Mason, Robert Myers, Jake Ferris, David Mather, Margaret Beaver, Natalie Lenski, Antony Chapoto, and Duncan Boughton. April 2010.

C. Strengthening Regional Agricultural Integration in West Africa (SRAI Programme)

36. [Etude sur la transmission des fluctuations et le calcul des prix de parité du riz et du maïs au Niger](#). Sani Laouali Addoh et Salifou Sanda Ousmane. Janvier 2010.

37. [Transmission des fluctuations et calcul des prix de parité à l'importation du riz en et du maïs en Guinée.](#) Yacouba Diakité. Janvier 2010.
38. [Etude sur la transmission des fluctuations et le calcul des prix de parité à l'importation: cas pratique du riz et du maïs au Sénégal.](#) Mouhamadou Ndiaye et Moussa Niang. Janvier 2010.
39. [Etude sur la transmission des fluctuations et les prix de parité du riz et du maïs au Mali.](#) Pierre Traore et Salifou B. Diarra. Janvier 2010.
40. [Sécurité alimentaire en Afrique de l'Ouest : Enjeux et Eléments Stratégique pour sa Réalisation.](#) Niama Nango Dembélé and John M. Staatz. Contribution au Forum de Bamako. 16 au 20 février 2010. PRESAO Document de travail 2010-02.
41. [Annual Report: January - December, 2009](#)

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