

**NEW BROCHURES**



**Combating wheat rust diseases: strengthening national capacities and international collaboration**  
(2 pp., [Russian](#), also available in [English](#))



**Fortalecimiento a los sistemas públicos de comercialización y abastecimiento de alimentos**  
(6 pp.)



**More effective and sustainable investments in water for poverty reduction: Rwanda – March 2017**  
(2 pp.)



**Promover la igualdad de género y el empoderamiento de las mujeres en la pesca y la acuicultura**  
(12 pp., also available in [English](#))

**Monthly bulletin of the Agricultural Trade Expert Network in Europe and Central Asia** (10 pp., available only in Russian)



[February 2017 – Issue No. 22](#)

[March 2017 – Issue No. 23](#)



**FAO Sierra Leone quarterly newsletter: January–March 2017**  
(Freetown, 10 pp.)



**Informe mensual de precios de los alimentos para América Latina y el Caribe, Abril 2017**  
(Santiago, 12 pp., available only in Spanish)



**Niñez y adolescencia rural ocupada en la agricultura en Guatemala**  
(Santiago, 4 pp.)



**Red regional de sistemas públicos de abastecimiento y comercialización de alimentos**  
(3 pp.)



**Women's empowerment in aquaculture in Bangladesh and Indonesia: Insights from four case studies**  
(Bangkok, 4 pp.)

**NEW BOOKS AND BRIEFS**

**AGRICULTURE**



**Agricultural policies, trade and sustainable development in Egypt**  
An evidence-based assessment of how Egypt's agricultural trade policies can best contribute to achieving economic, social and environmental objectives, by boosting exports, promoting sustainable production and improving labour conditions. (Cairo, 58 pp.)



**Agricultural transformation in Africa: the role of natural resources**  
In a context of rapid urbanization and population growth, as well as land degradation and climate variability, this issue highlights unique features of Africa's agricultural transformation, including productivity improvement and climate-resilient opportunities. (70 pp., forthcoming in French) Nature & Faune, Volume 31, No.1



**AquaCrop training handbooks – Book II: Running AquaCrop**  
Illustrated and with sets of exercises, this handbook provides guidance to understand and run simulations with AquaCrop software for assessing crop response to environmental changes. (117 pp.)



**Aquacrop update and new features – version 6.0**  
This document presents the new features of AquaCrop Version 6.0, including fine-tuned simulation processes, the introduction of field and soil management characteristics and dry beans calibration. (75 pp.)



**Integration of nutrition extension services in Africa: A desk review of country case studies, pre-service and in-service training materials**  
This publication provides concrete recommendations (e.g. promoting the food system approach in learning institutions) to mainstream nutrition into agricultural extension and advisory services. (Accra, 92 pp.)

### Linking people for quality products: sustainable interprofessional bodies for geographical indications and origin-linked products

This manual provides guidance on establishing geographical indications (GIs) to promote links among local stakeholders, their territories and their food products and achieve sustainable food systems. It explains the central role of interprofessional bodies for the value chain and quality management of the GIs and gives practical examples from across the world (e.g. Gruyere Interprofessional Body in Switzerland, Interprofessional Body of Cévennes Sweet Onion in France), together with self-evaluation exercises.  
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- [Book 1: Introduction](#) (16 pp.)
- [Book 2: Content and theory](#) (50 pp.)
- [Book 3: Trainers' notes](#) (18 pp.)
- [Book 4: Exercise sheets](#) (24 pp.)
- [Book 5: Case studies](#) (96 pp.)

### ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

#### Strengthening sector policies for better food security and nutrition results – Policy Guidance Series

In the face of complex challenges, including malnutrition, micronutrient deficiencies and obesity, this series shows how nutrition-specific interventions, when effectively implemented, have higher economic returns than costs. Through cases from different sectors (e.g. fisheries, livestock, social protection), it illustrates how policies can affect, on their own or in combination, the drivers of hunger and food insecurity.



[Policy Guidance Series](#)  
(40 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 1 – Fisheries and aquaculture](#)  
(44 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 2 – Livestock](#)  
(40 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 3 – Forestry](#)  
(28 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 4 – Social protection](#)  
(32 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 5 – Climate change](#)  
(44 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 6 – Gender equality](#)  
(40 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 7 – Land tenure](#)  
(24 pp.)



[Policy Guidance Note 8 – Political economy analysis](#)  
(36 pp.)

### FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE



[Training on rice-fish farming in high schools in Madagascar's highlands: one way to boost fish production and improve food security](#)  
This publication gives an overview covering: the pilot phase, for material development; the extension phase (creation of demonstration rice fields); and the “withdrawal and handover” phase, featuring teacher trainers. (Mauritius, 32 pp.)

### PLANT PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



[Training toolkit – Module 2: Seed processing equipment](#)  
This module, targeted at machinery operators and enterprise managers, explains how to efficiently use and maintain machinery for seed processing, including threshing and pre-cleaning, basic cleaning, fine cleaning and grading. (88 pp.)  
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