



HIGHLIGHTS



The State of Food and Agriculture 2018: Migration, agriculture and rural development

Launched on 15 October, this year's edition analyses migratory flows and how they are linked to processes of economic development, demographic change, and natural-resource pressure.

(196 pp., also available in [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [French](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#))

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In brief

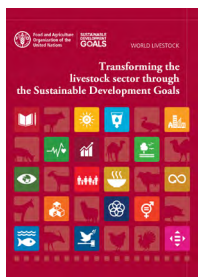
(24 pp., also available in [French](#) and [Spanish](#))



Flyer

(2 pp., also available in [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [French](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#))

The State of Food and Agriculture (SOFA) 2018: Migration, agriculture and rural development digital report is available in [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#).



Transforming the livestock sector through the Sustainable Development Goals – World Livestock

This report supports livestock stakeholder groups in aligning their action plans towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda objectives. It presents FAO's vision of the livestock sector's contribution to each of the 17 goals, and the challenges faced. It was launched on 17 October at a CFS side event.

[Press release](#)

(224 pp.) World Livestock

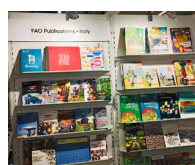
An In brief version is also available in [English](#) (16 pp.)



Ten years of capacity development on national forest monitoring

Released on 19 October, this paper reports on progress made over the 10 years of REDD+, analyzing the forest monitoring systems of 16 countries using a scorecard with 28 indicators, including satellite land monitoring systems and national forest inventories.

[Press release](#)



FAO at Frankfurt book fair

FAO showcased its publishing programme at the [Frankfurt book fair](#) (16–19 October), the publishing industry's major annual event.

NEWSLETTERS



FAO Library for you – World Food Day

(2 pp.)



Poplar and willow news, October 2018 – Issue no. 9

(12 pp.)



FPMA bulletin, 10 October 2018 – No. 8

(20 pp.)

NEW BROCHURES



Application of bio-organic fertilizer on degraded lands, as a method of improving the soil microflora and soil fertility

(26 pp., available only in Russian)



Climate-smart Agriculture in Côte d'Ivoire

(24 pp.)



Dairy market review – October 2018

(8 pp.)



Empowering youth to engage in responsible investments in agriculture and food systems

(2 pp.) Capacity assessment tool



Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems

(48 pp., now available in Arabic. Also available in [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#))



Climate-Smart Agriculture in Benin

(24 pp.)



Common Oceans – ABNJ: Global sustainable fisheries management and biodiversity conservation in Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction

(12 pp.)



El trabajo de la FAO en la agricultura familiar

(36 pp., also available in [English](#) and [French](#))



FAO trade and markets: Transparent and efficient agricultural commodity markets for global food security

(2 pp.)



The agricultural integrated surveys programme – AGRISurvey

(15 pp.)

AFRICA SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK 2050



Transforming livestock sector – Ethiopia

(12 pp.)



Transforming livestock sector – Uganda

(12 pp.)

NEW BOOKS AND BRIEFS

AGRICULTURE



Climate-Smart Agriculture in action: From concepts to investments

This training material offers guidance on how to implement the Climate-Smart Agriculture concept at the field, institutional, and financial level, and how to integrate climate change concerns into agricultural investment projects and programmes.

(52 pp.) FAO & AfDB

ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH



African swine fever: Detection and diagnosis

This manual assists veterinarians in detecting and controlling African swine fever through methods such as improved border control and better biosecurity.

(96 pp., now available in Serbian. Also available in [Chinese](#), [English](#) and [Russian](#)) **FAO animal production and health manual**



Liberia – Evaluation for action: Assessing animal disease surveillance capacities (September 2017)

Among other recommendations, this report advises designing a written animal disease surveillance plan to formalize and coordinate activities, and drafting and implementing a stakeholder communication plan to increase awareness of animal diseases.

(40 pp.)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Le travail des enfants dans l'agriculture lors de crises prolongées et dans des contextes fragiles et humanitaires – Version pilote

This paper gives guidance to stakeholders intervening in fragile and humanitarian contexts to ensure that children are not engaged in activities that negatively affect health, development or education, and are not employed in hazardous working conditions.

(48 pp., now available in French. Also available in [English](#)) **FAO guidance note**



Pilot project on the implementation of the OECD–FAO guidance for responsible agricultural supply chains: Baseline report

This report highlights that, despite traceability and supply chain mapping challenges, particularly within complex supply chains, most companies are making steps towards identifying and assessing risks, and developing risk management plans.

(Paris, 80 pp.) **Responsible business conduct – OECD & FAO**



Special report: FAO/WFP crop and food security assessment mission to the Syrian Arab Republic

This report notes that, despite improved access to agricultural land, production of wheat and barley declined sharply in 2018 compared to the previous year due to erratic weather, and that currently there are about 6.2 million internally displaced people.

(60 pp.)

FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE



Report of the eighth meeting of the RECOFI Working Group on aquaculture, Kuwait City, State of Kuwait, 17–19 April 2018

During the meeting, emphasis was given to sharing work experiences on aquaculture spatial planning, discussing criteria and indicators to be used for fish cage culture site selection, and updating the Regional Aquaculture Information System.

(36 pp.) **FAO fisheries and aquaculture report**



Report of the FAO/CECAF Working Group on the assessment of demersal resources – Sub-group North, Tenerife, Spain, 6–15 June 2017

This report shows that progress has been made in implementing the CECAF recommendations, but that it is important to foster dialogue among member countries to ensure sustainability and better management of demersal fisheries.

(500 pp., bilingual in English and French)



Seabird identification cards for fishing vessels operating in the Indian ocean

These identification cards describe major seabird species groups that occur within the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission area of competence in a clear, easily navigable, pictorial format, including key diagnostic features and distribution maps.

(40 pp.)

FOOD SAFETY AND NUTRITION



Regional overview of National School Food and Nutrition Programmes in Africa

This study highlights the need for greater multisectoral collaboration, while addressing issues such as coverage, targeting, nutrition standards and guidelines, local procurement, food and nutrition education, policy frameworks and institutional arrangements.

(88 pp.) FAO, ABC & FNDE



Report of the tenth session of the Intergovernmental Technical Working Group on animal genetic resources for food and agriculture

Among the session's recommendations were strengthening partnerships with stakeholders for technical and policy support, and raising awareness of the importance of livestock producers, as well as the role of species and breeds in providing ecosystem services.

(32 pp.)



Strengthening the capacity on Genetically Modified (GM) food safety assessment and communication in Kenya, Uganda and Zambia

This paper assesses the *status quo* of countries' regulatory frameworks for risk assessment and communication related to Genetically Modified (GM) food, and develops a national roadmap for GM food safety.

(42 pp.) FAO technical summary report

RECENT RELEASES FROM OTHER UN AGENCIES AND IGOS

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND – IMF



World economic outlook, October 2018: Challenges to steady growth

According to the report, global growth for 2018–19 is projected to remain steady at its 2017 level, but its pace is less vigorous than projected in April and it has become less balanced.

(Washington, 212 pp.)

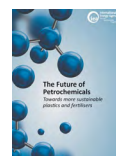
ORGANISATION FOR ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT – OECD



Strengthening governance and reducing corruption risks to tackle illegal wildlife trade: Lessons from East and Southern Africa

This report offers a series of specific recommendations targeted at national governments, donors, and intergovernmental organizations to address the issues of corruption and the illegal wildlife trade.

(Paris, 100 pp.)



The future of petrochemicals: Towards more sustainable plastics and fertilisers

This publication takes a close look at the consequences of growing demand for these products, and what we can do to accelerate a clean energy transition for the petrochemical industry.

(Paris, 132 pp.) International Energy Agency