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REGIONAL NEWS

CORAF and the Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT stimulate the adoption of climate-smart technologies in the rice value chain



In the face of climate challenges, strategic crops such as rice must adapt to ensure the resilience of production systems. CORAF, in partnership with the Bioversity International Alliance and CIAT, through the AICCRA (Accelerating the Impact of CGIAR Climate Research in Africa) AfricaRice project, and the West African Food System Resilience Programme (FSRP), organised a regional workshop in Cotonou, from 26 to 28 August 2024, to discuss innovations and technologies capable of strengthening the resilience of

rice-growing systems in West and Central Africa. Dr Elliot Dossou-Yovo, AICCRA Mali coordinator, presented the various proven technologies available to the participants, in particular the country coordinators, rice specialists and agricultural advisors from the FSRP implementation countries, stressing the need to create effective mechanisms for their large-scale adoption. Several climate-smart technologies and innovations, such as Rice Advice... [Read more](#)

COUNTRY NEWS

Niger/Gender and youth mainstreaming: institutions and players involved in implementing the programme trained



Participants in this training session learned a great deal through practical exercises and exchanges of experience.

From 12 to 14 August 2024 in Niamey, the main players and partners involved in implementing the West African Food System Resilience Programme (PRSA) in Niger were given in-depth knowledge of the methods and techniques for taking better account of the gender and youth dimension in the programme. The training course, which was designed to

help take account of the specific needs of disadvantaged groups such as women and young people, was chaired by the National Coordinator of the PRSA, who in his opening address urged participants to take a sustained part in the work and to put forward suggestions for optimising their contributions to balanced, inclusive and sustainable development...

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Sierra Leone: FSRP and IITA work together to send ten young people to Brazil for training in the cassava value chain



The beneficiaries of the training and the partners had cordial exchanges to facilitate their stay in Brazil.

The Food System Resilience Programme (FSRP) has teamed up with the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) to send ten promising young people, including six women, to the Brazilian Institute for Africa (IBRAF) for intensive training in the cassava value chain. This initiative is part of the PRSP's youth technical training programme, which aims to equip young people with the skills and knowledge they need to prosper in various agricultural value chains... [Read more](#)

Sierra Leone: 13 doctoral students from SLARI receive government support under FSRP to continue their studies to strengthen agricultural research



These young doctoral students have the onerous responsibility of helping to strengthen agricultural research in Sierra Leone

Thirteen PhD students from the Sierra Leone Agricultural Research Institute (SLARI) have been awarded scholarships to pursue advanced studies in Nigeria, marking an important step in strengthening Sierra Leone's agricultural research capacity. This initiative, supported by the Government of Sierra Leone through the West African Food System Resilience Programme (FSRP)... [Read more](#)

Donation of certified seed and fertiliser: FSRP-Togo brings relief to vulnerable farmers



The inputs received will bring great relief to beneficiaries in strengthening their resilience

This is significant support from the Food System Resilience Programme in West Africa, Projet-Togo (FSRP-Togo) to producers in the Maritime region.

Mainly on Thursday 1er August in the Moyen-Mono Vo, Yoto and Lacs prefectures, certified maize and rice seeds were distributed to vulnerable producers in these areas in the run-up to the 2ème agricultural season in southern Togo... [Read more](#)



Certified seeds for maize and market garden crops have been distributed

SUCCESS STORY

ECOWAS promotes harmonized phytosanitary certificate to facilitate agricultural trade in West Africa



View of participants to the sensitization session of regional trade actors and partners in Togo

Gendarmes, police officers, customs officers, road hauliers, freight forwarders, phytosanitary inspectors, traders and processors... more than 87 key players in agricultural trade from Ghana, Burkina Faso, Niger and Togo are struggling to contain their joy at seeing their activities facilitated thanks to the harmonised phytosanitary certificate introduced by the ECOWAS Commission to help facilitate trade between countries in the sub-region... [Read more](#)

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