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Participants at the opening of the World Bank support mission

For 2023, the second implementation support mission of the World Bank to ECOWAS/RAAF under the West Africa Food System Resilience Programme (FSRP) held from 25 to 27 October 2023 in Lomé at the RAAF Headquarters. Discussions between the World Bank and ECOWAS focused on the achievements of the FSRP... [Read more](#)

ECOWAS adopts a harmonized guide for sanitary inspection and risk-based decision-making



Experts and partners involved in food safety issues in West Africa met from 4 to 6 October 2023 in Abidjan to validate the Harmonized Guide for sanitary Inspection and Risk-Based Decision-Making, a reference framework document for making decisions under the inspection programme to encourage compliance or take coercive measures... [Read more](#)

Customs and regional trade experts familiarize themselves with the new ECOWAS Trade Liberalisation Scheme rules of origin (ETLS)



Group photo of trainers and trainees at the end of the opening session in Cotonou

Twenty experts who are Focal Points of the National Recognition of Community Origin Committee (NRCOC) from Customs Administrations, Ministries in charge of Industry and the Private Sector met in Cotonou-Benin, from 16 to 20 October 2023. The objective was to familiarize themselves with the new ECOWAS procedures for the recognition of Community origin and product certification... [Read more](#)

Food system resilience: training for agricultural technology park staff



Participants in these training sessions satisfied with the new knowledge acquired in Dakar

25 experts in monitoring-evaluation and communication from Benin, Burkina-Faso, Mali, Ghana, Chad, Togo, Senegal and Sierra-Leone have gained a better understanding of how to use agricultural technologies developed by research centres to reduce food insecurity in West and Central Africa... [Read more](#)

ECHOS FROM COUNTRIES

Ghana: Government allocates \$40 million to 26,000 farmers affected by the Akosombo dam spillage under FSRP



People forced to abandon their homes flooded by rainwater

26,000 farmers have been forced to evacuate their homes in eastern Ghana at the request of the Authorities, due to flooding caused by several days of heavy rain.

Farmers saw their fields completely destroyed and schools closed after the two hydroelectric dams, Akosombo and Kpong, burst their banks.

The worst affected areas are Sogakofe,

Sege and Mepe in the Volta region. These submerged towns, home to fishermen and farmers, have been left without water and electricity. The inhabitants have had to... [Read more](#)

Ghana: World Bank's Country Director tours FSRP sites



From left: Mr. Philip Laryea (FSRP Operations Manager), Mr. Pierre Laporte (World Bank Country Director), Ms Ashwini Rekha Sebadtian (FSRP Team Task Leader) and Mr. Osei Owusu Agyeman (FSRP Project Coordinator)

Ghana World Bank Country Director, Mr Pierre Laporte, paid a working visit on 21 and 22 October to some communities in the East, Greater Accra and Volta regions that will benefit from the West Africa Food System Resilience Programme (FSRP). He was accompanied by Ms Ashwini Rekha Sebastian, World Bank Team Leader for the FSRP-Ghana, Mr Osei Owusu Agyeman, National Coordinator for FSRP, as well as a number of representatives of the World Bank... [Read more](#)

Niger: FSRP equips three laboratories with modern facilities

The Central Livestock Laboratory (LABOCEL) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock; the Artificial Insemination Laboratory (LIA) of the Faculty of Agronomy at the Abdou Moumouni University in Niamey and the Animal Nutrition Laboratory (LANA) of the National Institute of Agronomic Research



Microscope for the artificial insemination laboratory at the Faculty of Agronomy, Abdou Moumouni University, Niamey

(INRAN) under the supervision of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock and the Ministry of Higher Education have just been equipped with modern materials to facilitate the work of researchers... [Read more](#)

Togo: the opportunities offered by the AfCFTA explained to technical services and strategic sectors stakeholders



Participants are now equipped to seize the opportunities offered by the AfCFTA

In its strategy for implementing the agreement on the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA), Togo is placing particular emphasis on raising awareness, informing and training stakeholders, especially those in the private sector, so that they can take full ownership of the agreement and make the most of it... [Read more](#)

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Women processors have acquired new techniques for producing quality food products

With a view to helping households improve their resilience in the face of food insecurity and malnutrition, women leaders and women from organized groups (RENAFAT, cooperatives and others) have benefited from training in the processing of food products with high nutritional value, including the soybean....

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