



What's up on work in agriculture?

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How do we make agriculture attractive to the next generation?

As subsequent generations become progressively more educated and engaged, subsistence farming loses its appeal. But we cannot afford to let young people's professional interest in agriculture wane - and not just because we need workers. Young people provide a unique voice and perspective; they have the power to generate new ideas that go beyond our established way of doing things, setting the agenda for future initiatives. We need them not just to participate, but to become leaders in the agriculture of tomorrow. To keep them engaged, we must engineer a shift to a modern, appealing, sustainable form of agriculture.

Links : <https://blog.iica.int/index.php/blog/how-do-we-make-agriculture-attractive-next-generation>

Tags : Youth

Past, Present, and Future: Status of Women and Minorities in Agricultural and Applied Economics

The authors state, "While agricultural and applied economics departments have grown more diverse since 1996, metrics reflecting equity and inclusion suggest the departmental climate in many units is a barrier to recruitment and retention of faculty from underrepresented groups. As a profession, we need to identify and address issues that are impeding DEI progress, including (but not limited to) toxic departmental cultures and subtle (or less subtle) biases in hiring, mentoring, promoting, and retaining faculty from diverse backgrounds. We call for substantial and intentional actions and involvement in DEI initiatives at the departmental and professional organization levels. There also seems to be a strong need for metrics to be re-evaluated to ensure that intended goals are being met. Leadership in departments and professional organizations should aim to be more proactive in assessing and meeting DEI goals."

Links : https://manhattanweek.com/?page_id=1478&rkey=20211014UN39463&filter=4113

Tags : Gender

How Women Saved Agricultural Economics

Offutt says, "Our findings confirm the benefits of diversity to an academic discipline. Inclusion of people with different backgrounds and experiences brings in new perspectives, increases creativity, and avoids the "group think" that can arise within homogenous groups. The entry of women into agricultural economics, a field long dominated by men, did change its agenda. We would expect inclusion of more Black and Latinx scholars, among other underrepresented groups, would likewise have positive effects on the relevance and quality of research, teaching and extension in agricultural and applied economics.

Links : <http://www.aaea.org/publications/publications-update/how-women-saved-agricultural-economics>

Tags : Gender

Scaling up One Health in the livestock sector

As Roesel pointed out, scaling up One Health in the livestock sector is crucial in addressing the sector's challenges—particularly regarding nutrition, health and food security. Although instrumental for the livelihoods of people in the Global South, where populations continue to increase, the presence of more livestock carries with it its own round of human, animal and environmental risks—whether they be

zoonotic disease spillover or greenhouse gas emissions. One Health can address these challenges through key elements like preparation, detection and response. According to Roesel, one of the hurdles faced by countries in the Global South is inadequate data for surveillance and monitoring. Improving these mechanisms can save money in the long run.

Links : <https://www.ilri.org/news/scaling-one-health-livestock-sector>

Tags : Health and decent work

Rural Poverty Reduction e-learning series now available



The series is organized in 5 courses, each lasting between 1 and 4 hours of self-paced learning. At the end of each course, learners can take a short test which if passed, will grant them a certification through a Digital Badge system. It provides learners with the basic concepts and definitions related to rural poverty and an overview of its main drivers. It builds on the knowledge of policymakers, practitioners, members of civil society organizations and researchers from member countries on approaches to reduce rural poverty. Taking a learner-centred approach,

the e-learning courses are engaging and include interactive elements, examples and case-based scenarios. It is different from other poverty-related courses because it addresses and targets RURAL poverty reduction issues from the perspective of how FAO's mandate contributes to the process.

Links : <https://www.fao.org/reduce-rural-poverty/news/detail-events/en/c/1295413/>

YPARD and ILRI join forces to provide on the job training for young professionals

YPARD is an international movement 'by Young Professionals FOR Young Professionals for Agricultural Development'. YPARD operates as an agile network. It leverages the skills, energy and innovative potential of youth engaged in agriculture and food activities to contribute to solving global livelihood, environmental and health problems linked to agriculture and food systems. At the heart of YPARD are its members, who are encouraged to become active in their area, spread the news about YPARD to other young professionals, encourage a more robust voice of youth in their organizations, and share their views and ideas with others. This global platform empowers young agricultural leaders worldwide to shape sustainable food and agriculture systems.

Links : <https://www.ilri.org/news/ypard-and-ilri-join-forces-provide-job-training-young-professionals>

Tags : Youth, Skills and training

Trade and decent work: New publications strengthen ties between trade policy and decent work

Speaking about the two publications, Martha Newton, ILO Deputy Director-General for Policy said, "For trade to deliver on sustainable development, decent work and social justice, it is fundamental that trade policies are designed in a way that strengthens their labour impacts and inclusiveness. This is why we must continue to integrate decent work objectives into our trade policy assessments across countries."

Links : https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_821873/lang--en/index.htm

Tags : Health and decent work, Value chains

Agricultural robotics: part of the new deal?

Les robots agricoles actuels visent à augmenter les rendements de production, à soulager la pénibilité de certaines tâches et à pallier la pénurie de main-d'œuvre, particulièrement ressentie lors de la récente crise sanitaire.

Links : <http://veilleagri.hautetfort.com/archive/2021/10/19/lenain-r-peyrache-j-savary-a-severac-g-agricultural-robotics-6344692.html>

Tags : Innovation

Premières années d'installation : comment s'adapter et rebondir face aux aléas ?



L'objectif de ce café installation est de réunir des porteurs de projets agricoles, des agriculteurs.trices et des cédants et de leur proposer le témoignage de 4 agriculteurs.trices qui se sont installé.e.s et ont dû réorienter leur projet agricole, s'appuyer sur des ressources extérieures pour avancer, repenser ou même arrêter leur activité agricole face aux obstacles qu'ils ont pu rencontrer.

Links : <https://solidaritepaysans.org/rhonealpes/drome-ardeche/agenda-drome-ardeche#date562>

Les agriculteurs pakistanais manquent de connaissances sur l'utilisation des insecticides

Les résultats, publiés dans Plos One en août 2021, montrent que la grande majorité des participants ont des lacunes concernant la nature et le mode d'action des produits conventionnels, leurs liens avec les phénomènes de résistance et les pollutions environnementales, ou l'existence d'alternatives biologiques.

Links : <http://veilleagri.hautetfort.com/archive/2021/10/18/les-agriculteurs-pakistanais-manquent-de-connaissances-sur-l-6344506.html>

Tags : Health and decent work

Évolutions de l'entrée dans le métier et politiques d'installation agricole

Dans un article publié en août 2021 dans le Journal of Rural Studies, une équipe européenne met en évidence l'influence variable de différents facteurs, selon les stades du processus de renouvellement des générations (à l'échelle d'une exploitation). Quatorze facteurs ont été identifiés, grâce à une revue de littérature et à des entretiens approfondis auprès de 155 chefs d'exploitation de 11 pays, en cours d'installation ou de retrait.

Links : <http://veilleagri.hautetfort.com/archive/2021/10/19/evolutions-de-l-entree-dans-le-metier-et-politiques-d-instal-6344611.html>

Tags : Policy

Ergonomie des matériels de pulvérisation et exposition aux pesticides en viticulture

Selon les auteurs, le modèle de « prévention-écran » place entre les produits chimiques et leurs utilisateurs différentes « barrières » (normes, matériels, etc.), mais cet encadrement devrait être complété par une approche instrumentale, attentive aux « besoins réels » des agriculteurs susceptibles d'entraîner des situations d'exposition.

Links : <http://veilleagri.hautetfort.com/archive/2021/10/19/ergonomie-des-materiels-de-pulverisation-et-exposition-aux-p-6344699.html>

Tags : Health and decent work

Les conditions de travail déplorables des travailleurs migrants dans le secteur de la viande

L'enquête montre que des entreprises du secteur de la viande dans toute l'Europe ont engagé des milliers de travailleurs migrants par l'intermédiaire de sous-traitants, d'agences et de fausses coopératives, en ne leur accordant que des conditions de travail et de rémunération inférieures. Les travailleurs migrants ont souvent des horaires de travail fluctuants, des contrats zéro heure, un faux statut d'indépendant, aucune indemnité en cas de maladie et ils vivent dans une extrême précarité. En outre, ils ont du mal à comprendre les conventions qu'ils signent et les droits qui leur sont reconnus par la loi en raison de la barrière de la langue. « Des personnes travaillent ainsi côte à côte et accomplissent les mêmes tâches, mais sont soumises à des conditions différentes », déplore Enrico Somaglia, secrétaire général adjoint de la Fédération européenne des syndicats de l'alimentation, de l'agriculture et du tourisme (EFFAT).

Links : <https://www.etui.org/fr/news/les-conditions-de-travail-deplorables-des-travailleurs-migrants-dans-le-secteur-de-la-viande>

Tags : Migration, Health and decent work

Une proposition de l'UE pour interdire les produits issus du travail forcé

Dans son récent discours sur l'état de l'Union européenne, La présidente de la Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, a fait état d'une proposition à venir visant à interdire sur le marché unique de l'UE la vente de

produits fabriqués en recourant au travail forcé. Même si aucun pays n'a été spécifiquement mentionné, ce souci de faire respecter les droits de l'homme pourrait viser la production chinoise de coton par des travailleurs ouïgours, une minorité musulmane qui se considère comme culturellement et ethniquement proche des pays d'Asie centrale.

Links : <https://www.etui.org/fr/news/une-proposition-de-lue-pour-interdire-les-produits-issus-du-travail-force>

Tags : Health and decent work, Policy

Assistência Técnica na Agricultura Brasileira: Uma Análise Sobre a Origem da Orientação Técnica por Meio do Censo Agropecuário de 2017

A assistência técnica como instrumento de apoio e fonte de informação ao produtor rural passou por diversas transformações ao longo dos anos. Após breves tentativas de introdução do serviço, a Assistência Técnica e Extensão Rural (Ater) ganhou força no período da tecnificação da agricultura nos anos 1960. O crédito agrícola forneceu os recursos para os produtores introduzirem o pacote tecnológico nas lavouras, que foi difundido por meio da assistência técnica entre os estabelecimentos agropecuários. Algumas décadas se passaram após a criação e o desmonte das principais instituições e entidades do setor, mas a assistência técnica continua sendo um serviço indispensável para melhorar o desempenho da atividade produtiva, inclusive com a possibilidade de redução de custos e ampliação da rentabilidade. Ademais, o papel dos extensionistas é fundamental para colaborar com questões sociais no campo, como organização produtiva, associativismo, entre outras. Apesar disso, apenas 20% dos estabelecimentos agropecuários brasileiros contam com algum tipo de orientação técnica, de acordo com levantamento do Censo Agropecuário 2017. A Ater pública, que possui grande capilaridade por todo o Brasil e capital humano qualificado, apresentou redução na cobertura entre o período de tempo compreendido pela realização dos censos agropecuários de 2006 e 2017. Em contrapartida, outras fontes de orientação técnica vêm apresentando expressivo crescimento, como a orientação própria e as cooperativas. O maior uso de outras fontes é bem-vindo, principalmente pelas especificidades de cada região e o tipo de agricultura praticada, porém, muitos estabelecimentos, principalmente no Norte e Nordeste do Brasil, não possuem acesso ao serviço, o que inviabiliza e prejudica a produção de muitos pequenos estabelecimentos.

Links

https://www.ipea.gov.br/portal/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=38603&Itemid=457

Tags : Extension