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Innovative markets for sustainable agriculture-Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations 2018-07-20 Between 2013 and 2015, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the French National Institute for Agricultural Research (INRA) undertook a survey of innovative approaches that enable markets to act as incentives in the transition towards sustainable agriculture in developing countries. Through a competitive selection process, 15 cases from around the world provide insights into how small-scale initiatives that use sustainable production practices are supported by market demand, and create innovations in the institutions that govern sustainable practices and market exchanges. These cases respond to both local and distant consumers' concerns about the quality of the food that they eat. The book evidences that the initiatives rely upon social values (e.g. trustworthiness, health [nutrition and food safety], food sovereignty, promotion of youth and rural development, farmer and community livelihoods) to adapt sustainable practices to local contexts, while creating new market outlets for food products. Specifically, private sector and civil society actors are leading partnerships with the public sector to build market infrastructure, integrate sustainable agriculture into private and public education and extension programmes, and ensure the exchange of transparent information about market opportunities. The results are: (i) system innovations that allow new rules for marketing and assuring the sustainable qualities of products; (ii) new forms of organization that permit actors to play multiple roles in the food system (e.g. farmer and auditor, farmer and researcher, consumer and auditor, consumer and intermediary); (iii) new forms of market exchange, such as box schemes, university kiosks, public procurement or systems of seed exchanges; and (iv) new technologies for sustainable agriculture (e.g. effective micro-organisms, biopesticides and soil analysis techniques). The public sector plays a key role in providing legitimate political and physical spaces for multiple actors to jointly create and share sustainable agricultural knowledge, practices and products.

Organic Agriculture Towards Sustainability-Vytautas Pilipavicius 2014-05-07 Organic agriculture combines tradition, innovation and science to benefit the shared environment and promotes fair relationships and a good quality of life. This book is a compilation of 11 chapters focused on development of organic agriculture, the role of sustainability in ecosystem and social community, analysis of environmental impacts of the organic farming system and its comparison with the conventional one, crop growing and weed control technologies, organic production, effective microorganisms technology. Continuously, a wide range of research experiments focus on organic agriculture technologies, quality of production, environmental protection and non-chemical, ecologically acceptable alternative solutions. In the book Organic Agriculture Towards Sustainability, contributing researchers cover multiple topics respecting modern, precious organic agriculture research.

The World of Organic Agriculture-Minou Youssefi 2010-09-23 The new edition of this annual publication (previously published solely by IFOAM and FiBL) documents recent developments in global organic agriculture. It includes contributions from representatives of the organic sector from throughout the world

and provides comprehensive organic farming statistics that cover surface area under organic management, numbers of farms and specific information about commodities and land use in organic systems. The book also contains information on the global market of the burgeoning organic sector, the latest developments in organic certification, standards and regulations, and insights into current status and emerging trends for organic agriculture by continent from the world's foremost experts. For this edition, all statistical data and regional review chapters have been thoroughly updated. Completely new chapters on organic agriculture in the Pacific, on the International Task Force on Harmonization and Equivalence in Organic Agriculture and on organic aquaculture have been added. Published with IFOAM and FiBL

Organic Agriculture for Sustainable Livelihoods-Niels Halberg 2013 This book provides a timely analysis and assessment of the potential of organic agriculture (OA) for rural development and the improvement of livelihoods. It focuses on smallholders in developing countries and in countries of economic transition, but there is also coverage of and comparisons with developed countries. It covers market-oriented approaches and challenges for OA as part of high value chains and as an agro-ecologically based development for improving food security. It demonstrates the often unrecognised roles that organic farming can play in climate change, food security and sovereignty, carbon sequestration, cost internalisations, ecosystems services, human health and the restoration of degraded landscapes. The chapters specifically provide readers with: an overview of the state of research on OA from socio-economic, environmental and agro-ecological perspectives an analysis of the current and potential role of OA in improving livelihoods of farmers, in sustainable value chain development, and in implementation of agro-ecological methods proposed strategies for exploiting and improving the potential of OA and overcoming the constraints for further development a review of the strengths and weaknesses of OA in a sustainable development context

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A Livelihood and Systems-based Approach for Understanding Drivers of Adoption and Disadoption of Organic Farming in Ibadan, Nigeria-Jelili Adegboyega Adebisi 2019 Livelihood challenges such as low income, food insecurity, and poverty are prevalent among farming and rural communities in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) and are linked to low agricultural productivity. Boosting agricultural productivity is considered pivotal to improving the livelihood conditions of farming and rural communities in SSA. Some non-governmental stakeholders and international development agencies promote organic agriculture as a pro-poor strategy to help enhance agricultural productivity and farmers' livelihoods conditions in SSA. For reasons yet to be well-understood, the adoption rates of organic farming by smallholder farmers in SSA is low. To fill these gaps, in three essays, this dissertation investigated the barriers and the factors that influence and gender the adoption of first-party certified organic leafy vegetable production (OLVP) by smallholder farmers in Ibadan, southwestern Nigeria. First, we developed a gender-aware and livelihood-based conceptual framework named TALAF, which was used to inform the second and third essays. The first essay qualitatively examined the factors that influence, inhibit and gender the adoption of OLVP. The second essay investigated the factors and contexts that motivated disadoption of OLVP in the study areas in order to generate insights about what can be done to avert or stem the phenomenon. The third essay combined participatory causal loop diagramming with network analysis to map and contrast the similarities and differences in the causal mechanisms that dynamically interact to affect the adoption of organic farming in urban and rural Nigeria. As a whole, the dissertation contributes to the literature on the adoption, disadoption and gendering of organic farming in Nigeria and Africa. Through TALAF, the dissertation offers a conceptual framework that can help untie the complexity in technology adoption decision-making contexts.

Sustainable Biotechnology Adoption in Nigeria to Reduce Food Insecurity-Uche M. Nwankwo 2010 To make innovations work commercially among the target

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group requires institutional approach that can anticipate and predict users' urgent needs through participation. Conversely, to make innovations work technically requires a pile of junk and good imagination according to Thomas Edison. Biotechnology no doubt is a significant innovation that can enable farmers in developing countries increase productivity and manage their products. Nevertheless, biotech application is surrounded with many controversial debates. These controversies have affected its perception among farmers and consumers alike. Using a mixed method approach, empirical data were gathered from farmers and extension agents in six geopolitical divisions of Nigeria to determine factors capable of ensuring sustainable biotech adoption. Results revealed that the probability of biotech adoption is dependent on a cause and effect relationship.

Organic Farming for Sustainable Livelihoods in Developing Countries?-Frank Eyhorn 2007

Sustainable Agriculture and Economic Development in Nigeria-A. E. Ikpi 1995

Matt in Africa-Edyta Stepczak 2018-03-15 I visited Lawrence Alaba Afere and his organization in Nigeria - a network of organic farmers and rural entrepreneurs. Learning from the great work he is doing and seeing the faces of people whose lives has been changed, I was inspired and moved. In 2007, when Lawrence graduated from University, he shocked his family with the news that he was not going to use his business management degree to land a high-paying job in the big city. Instead, he wanted to become a social entrepreneur working with agriculture in his hometown Akure, a low-income community in southwest Nigeria. Working with farmers and rural people was not Lawrence's initial plan when he gained admission to study business at the University in 2003. Like many of his classmates, he was excited about getting a job within the banking or oil and gas sector. This all changed, on a Friday back in November 2006 when he read a report in the local newspaper. A life-changing moment he will never forget. The study revealed some shocking statistics about unemployment in Nigeria and the lack of opportunities young graduates are facing when finishing school. More alarming were the predicted effects this would have on society, as the consequences of unemployment would mean that Nigeria would raise over 20 million highly skilled criminals. Lawrence instantly thought to himself that something simply had to change. Instead of waiting around for change to happen, he decided to lead the way for a better future. As his parents and siblings had hoped for Lawrence to stay in the big city and pursue a corporate job that could help provide for the family as well, the decision to return home and pursue his dream wasn't easy. When telling his family about his decision, they thought to themselves that he had been bewitched since after all, who would willingly choose a hard labor career such as farming over a high-paying office job?. Despite the pressure, Lawrence felt strongly about returning to his home town and told his parents: ""Mum and dad, please understand I need to do something different with my life and follow my own path." And that is exactly what Lawrence did. Today he is the founder of Springboard, an organization that combines organic farming with entrepreneurial training to create jobs and promote sustainable agriculture. Lawrence Alaba Afere was that change. By combining organic farming and entrepreneurial training, he found a way to help create jobs for young Nigerians and rural people who were migrating to the cities in search of jobs. Today, Lawrence is a farmer and continues to provide support for young Nigerians and rural people to start their own organic farms and village enterprises. The initiative led him to be named a Mandela Washington fellow in 2014, where he visited the US and spent a few weeks meeting President Barack Obama and a number of global business leaders. In 2016 he also became an Ashoka fellow. This story book was inspired by Lawrence and his network of organic farmers and rural entrepreneurs. The book will help throw more light on everyday change agents and inspire children to follow their dreams and make a change in their communities. To find out more about Lawrence and his activities, please visit the Springboard website at www.springboardnig.com

Understanding Nigerian Soils and Their Fertility Management for Sustainable Agriculture-V. O. Chude 1998

The Nigerian Journal of Rural Extension and Development- 2012

Sustainable Agricultural Investment in Nigeria-Farm Management Association of Nigeria. Conference 1998

Sustainable Soil Management of the Dryland Soils in Northern Nigeria-Suleiman Usman 2011-05 Master's Thesis from the year 2007 in the subject Agrarian Studies, grade: Merit class, Natural Resources Institute - University of Greenwich at Medway (-), course: Plant Health and Protection, language: English, abstract: Although it is widely recognised that environmental problems such as soil degradation erosion and desertification threaten sustained agricultural production in many States of northern Nigeria including Adamawa, Bauchi, Borno, Gombe, Jigawa, Kaduna Kano, Katsina, Kebbi, Sokoto and Zamfara. Very little information is available about the current status of the potential impact of soil degradation and whether the situation is worsening in all the States of

northern Nigeria. However, it is now clear that the major factor explaining the severity and spatial distribution of soil degradation such as erosion and desertification in northern Nigeria is associated with human impact such as deforestation and mismanagement of land resources. Other factors includes overgrazing, use of mechanized equipment, deforestation and lack of government concern to protect the environment in the region, but few studies have been made on applied issues related to the physical and chemical processes including erosion, runoff and leaching. These problems are widely considered as a serious problem to agricultural production and its environmental consequences will remain an important issue during the 21st century. Possible solutions such as soil management practices will help to minimise/control soil degradations which caused serious hazards to farmer's land in northern Nigeria. Sustainable soil management practices are vital for enhancing and sustaining the productivity of soil, food, livestock, water quality and other related land resources such as forestry in northern Nigeria. It is more efficient in terms of reduced environmental impact, high risk of soil degradation and soil erosion. These management practices are: (a) applying organic manure regularly, (b) growing cover c

Sustainable Agriculture-Rajiv Kumar Sinha 2004 Papers presented at the International Conference on Protest and Aftermath in Post-World War II Literature in English, held at Jabalpur during 20-21 August 2004.

Environment, Culture, and Wealth Generation-Environment and Behaviour Association of Nigeria. Conference 2004

Plant Breeding from Laboratories to Fields-Sven Bode Andersen 2013-05-22 Breeding of crop plants to make them more adapted to human agricultural systems has been on-going during domestication the last 10 000 years. However, only recently with the invention of the Mendelian principles of genetics and the subsequent development of quantitative genetics during the twentieth century has such genetic crop improvement become based on a general theory. During the last 50 years plant breeding has entered a molecular era based on molecular tools to analyse DNA, RNA and proteins and associate such molecular results with plant phenotype. These marker trait associations develop fast to enable more efficient breeding. However, they still leave a major part of breeding to be performed through selection of phenotypes using quantitative genetic tools. The ten chapters of this book illustrate this development.

Organic Farming-Petr Konvalina 2016-03-09 Organic farming is a progressive method of farming and food production it does not mean going back to traditional (old) methods of farming. Many of the traditional farming methods used in the past are still useful today. Organic farming takes the best of these and combines them with modern scientific knowledge. Authors' task was to write a book where many different existing studies could be presented in a single volume, making it easy for the reader to compare methods, results and conclusions. As a result, studies from different countries have been compiled into one book. I believe that the opportunity to compare results and conclusions from different authors will create a new perspective in organic farming and food production. I hope that our book will help researchers and students from all over the world to attain new and interesting results in the field of organic farming and food production.

Agricultural Input Markets in Nigeria-International Fertilizer Development Center 2001

Training Manual for Organic Agriculture-I. Gomez 2017-09-01 The production of this manual is a joint activity between the Climate, Energy and Tenure Division (NRC) and the Technologies and practices for smallholder farmers (TECA) Team from the Research and Extension Division (DDNR) of FAO Headquarters in Rome, Italy. The realization of this manual has been possible thanks to the hard review, compilation and edition work of Nadia Scialabba, Natural Resources officer (NRC) and Ilka Gomez and Lisa Thivant, members of the TECA Team. Special thanks are due to the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM), the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL) and the International Institute for Rural Reconstruction (IIRR) for their valuable documents and publications on organic farming for smallholder farmers.

Organic Agricultural Practices Among Small Holder Farmers in South Western Nigeria-Sijuwade Adebayo 2014 Organic agricultural practices among small holder farmers in South Western Nigeria.

Sustainable Development of Organic Agriculture-Kimberly Etingoff 2017-01-06 This title includes a number of Open Access chapters. This important compilation presents an in-depth view spanning past values and practices, present understandings, and potential futures, and covering a range of concrete case studies on sustainable development of organic agriculture. The book explores the very different facets of organic and sustainable agriculture. Part I of this book delves into the ways that people have approached organic agriculture in sociological, scientific, and economic terms. Part II looks ahead to the future of organic agriculture, presenting opportunities for further progress. Part III consists of an extensive bibliography chronologically developing the progress of organic and

sustainable agriculture over two thousand years. The book Studies the cultural dimension of organic consumption Presents how sustainable agriculture can reduce and mitigate the impact of climate change on crop production Looks at the impact of agriculture on both famine and rural poverty in an ecofriendly and socially inclusive manner Examines six of the oldest grain-crop-based organic comparison experiments in the US, looking at the environmental and economic outcomes from organic agroecosystems, to both producers and policymakers Reviews the role of experimentation and innovation in developing sustainable organic agriculture Looks at the challenges of organic farmers Discusses ways to ensure sustainability and resilience of farming Looks at ways to change the mindset of farmers especially in traditional farming communities Explores the development of organic and sustainable agriculture through more than 500 years, ending with the early twenty-first century. Altogether, the chapters provide a nuanced look at the development of organic and sustainable agriculture, with the conclusion that organic is not enough to be sustainable.

Scientific and Environmental Issues in Population, Environment and Sustainable Development in Nigeria- 2004

Environmental Sustainability and Conservation in Nigeria- 2005

Strategies and Tactics of Sustainable Agriculture in the Tropics-M. Adetola Badejo 2004 Draws attention to the hydra-headed problem of attaining sustainability in agro-ecosystems of the tropical regions and attempts to shape future agricultural research in these regions, where, the author argues, there is an over-reliance on solutions practised in more temperate climes. Topics include: the potentials of leguminous crop cover systems for sustainable agricultural production, managing carbon and nitrogen in tropical organic farming, the management of the genetic diversity of maize, and the management of fire in agro-ecosystems in forest and savannah ecotypes in Nigeria.

Organic Food Systems-Raymond Auerbach 2019 Organic agriculture world-wide allows farmers to produce healthy food with low levels of external inputs, and often shortens the value chains, giving farmers a higher share of the consumer dollar. This book reports on long-term comparative organic farming systems research trials carried out over the last four years in South Africa's Southern Cape, as well as research on the organic sector and the technical tools it requires in South Africa, Zambia, Uganda and Tanzania. The trials show how the yield gap between organic and conventional crops was closed over 3 years. Water use efficiency was also greater in the organic farming system, and pests and diseases were effectively controlled using biological products. Farmer training approaches, soil carbon analysis, participatory guarantee systems, the Zambian organic farming sector (agronomy) and Ugandan organic farmer training support, and a sector plan for southern African organic farming are examined.

Organic Food and Farming in China-Steffanie Scott 2018-09-13 Despite reports of food safety and quality scandals, China has a rapidly expanding organic agriculture and food sector, and there is a revolution in ecological food and ethical eating in China's cities. This book shows how a set of social, economic, cultural, and environmental conditions have converged to shape the development of a "formal" organic sector, created by "top-down" state-developed standards and regulations, and an "informal" organic sector, created by 'bottom-up' grassroots struggles for safe, healthy, and sustainable food. This is generating a new civil movement focused on ecological agriculture and quality food. Organic movements and markets have typically emerged in industrialized food systems that are characterized by private land ownership, declining small farm sectors, consolidated farm to retail chains, predominance of supermarket retail, standards and laws to safeguard food safety, and an active civil society sector. The authors contrast this with the Chinese context, with its unique version of "capitalism with social characteristics," collective farmland ownership, and predominance of smallholder agriculture and emerging diverse marketing channels. China's experience also reflects a commitment to domestic food security, evolving food safety legislation, and a civil society with limited autonomy from a semi-authoritarian state that keeps shifting the terrain of what is permitted. The book will be of great interest to advanced students and researchers of agricultural and food systems and policy, as well as rural sociology and Chinese studies.

Agroforestry: Realities, Possibilities and Potentials-H.L. Gholz 1987-08-31

Sustainable Agriculture-Beyond Organic Farming-Sean Clark 2018-07-17 This book is a printed edition of the Special Issue "Sustainable Agriculture-Beyond Organic Farming" that was published in Sustainability

Improving Organic Crop Cultivation-Ulrich Köpke 2017-12-31 Organic crop cultivation needs to improve yields if it is to expand its share of agricultural production. This collection reviews ways of addressing this challenge, from developing better varieties to ways of improving crop nutrition and pest control.

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Science and Technology of Organic Farming-Allen V. Barker 2016-04-19 Winner of a CHOICE Outstanding Academic Title Award for 2011!Organic farming is not only a philosophy, but also a well-researched science that combines soil fertility, plant pathology, entomology, and other biological and environmental sciences. Science and Technology of Organic Farming is a concise, readily applicable resource for understanding th

Prospects and Pitfalls of Agricultural Production in Nigeria-Friday C. Nworgu 2006

The Population, Agriculture and Environment Nexus-Laurence Davis Stifel 1994

Food Systems Sustainability and Environmental Policies in Modern Economies-Obayelu, Abiodun Elijah 2018-03-09 Food security is essential to the advancement and development of economies and societies worldwide. The promotion of viable food structures is the most effective method of promoting food security. Food Systems Sustainability and Environmental Policies in Modern Economies is a relevant research publication that explores the importance of viable food structures as well as the critical positive impact these viable structures have on food security, nutrition, and poverty. Featuring coverage on a broad range of topics such as irrigation schemes, agricultural input subsidies, and food cycles, this publication is geared toward professionals, researchers, and students seeking current research on viable food structures and their impact on society.

Technology Education and Environmental Issues in Nigeria-Nigerian Association of Teachers of Technology. Conference 2002

Sustainable Environmental Management in Nigeria- 2006

Sustainable Agriculture Newsletter- 1990

Political Decisions in the Nigerian Agricultural Industry-Emmanuel Onucheyo 1998

Information-seeking Behaviour and Adoption of Organic Farming Practices Among Vegetable Farmers in South Western Nigeria-Sijuwade Adebukola Adebayo 2013

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