



What's up on Work in Agriculture?

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Africa's prosperity also lies in creating decent and attractive jobs for rural youth

Agriculture will continue to generate employment in Africa over the coming decades, but opportunities should be explored beyond agriculture throughout the food chain in order to create enough jobs for young people, especially those in rural areas, FAO Director-General José Graziano da Silva said today.

"Countries need to promote a rural and structural transformation that fosters synergies between farm and non-farm activities and that reinforces" the linkages between rural areas and cities, he added. This includes processing, packaging, transportation, distribution, marketing and service provision, especially financial and business services".

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FAO and OECD call for responsible investment in agriculture

The project aims to improve the implementation of the Guidance and internationally-agreed standards on responsible production, sourcing and supply chain management in the agricultural sector.

Enterprises involved in the agricultural sector are critical for the fulfilment of the Sustainable Development Goals - playing a key role in generating much-needed investment, decent employment, developing productivity and supply chains that benefit producers and consumers. At the same time, business activities in this sector can undermine this potential when their operations or supply chains negatively impact workers, human rights, the environment, food security/nutrition, and tenure rights.

Links : <http://www.fao.org/news/story/en/item/1100445/icode/>

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French research institutes and FAO strengthen collaboration

The new partnerships will focus on a number of areas, particularly in developing countries, including agroecology, sustainable natural resources management in the context of climate change; agriculture innovation for family farmers; sustainable and safe food systems for food security (nutrition, waste and loss reduction, market chain governance); sanitary risks, such those related to animal and plant health, One Health and antimicrobial resistance (AMR) reduction. FAO and the four French institutions will also seek to foster sustainable territorial development.

Links : <http://www.fao.org/news/story/en/item/1100364/icode/>

Future of Work Focus Newsletter: What can the past tell us about the future of work?

When we think of the future of work, the past is not a bad place to start. It might not provide clear-cut answers but it can place current developments in broader perspective. Our evaluation of the present and our prognosis for the future are influenced by our understanding of the past. It allows us to anticipate the impact of change on individuals and societies. And it reminds us that despite all rationally calculated predictions, the course of history can change and be shaped by the frameworks we develop to guide our action, as well as our policies.

Links : http://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_617859/lang--en/index.htm

Cancers liés au travail : une reconnaissance en maladie professionnelle à deux vitesses

La reconnaissance en maladie professionnelle des cancers liés au travail est à améliorer. De plus, la visibilité des cancers professionnels étant corrélée à leur reconnaissance par la Sécurité sociale, la part prépondérante des maladies imputées à l'amiante dans les données officielles ne reflète ni l'importante diversité des affections associées à d'autres substances cancérigènes, ni la poly-exposition à laquelle sont fréquemment soumis les travailleurs. Une recherche en santé publique, consacrée au processus de

reconnaissance en maladie professionnelle des cancers liés au travail, a contribué à comprendre les mécanismes et dynamiques à l'œuvre.

Links : <http://www.cee-recherche.fr/publications/connaissance-de-lemploi/cancers-lies-au-travail-une-reconnaissance-en-maladie-professionnelle-deux-vitesses>

Tags : Health and decent work