













GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE RESEARCH PROGRAMME DEVELOPED BY THE GLOBAL OFFICE IN 2013



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THEMATIC DOMAINS (1)

Framework for agricultural statistics	 The conceptual framework (SEES – AGRI) Mainstreaming agriculture into NSDS Integrated Survey Framework
Improved methodologies for master sampling frame	Identifying the most appropriate area frame for specific landscape types
	Using GPS, GIS and remote sensing for setting up master a sampling frame for integrated survey
	Improving methods for linking area frames with list frames



THEMATIC DOMAINS (2)

Data collection methods

Estimating crop area, yield and production of:

- mixed crops
- repeated cropping
- continuous cropping
- root crops

Estimating post harvest loss and use of pesticides

Estimating the cost of production in developing countries

- estimating livestock and livestock products
- enumerating nomadic livestock

Adopting new technologies

Inland fishery and aquaculture

Irrigated area and use of water for irrigation



THEMATIC DOMAINS (3)

Food	•food security statistics
security	•food stocks
	•edible forest products
	Use of Nutrition indicators for food security indicators
	Use of households surveys / LSMS for food security
	indicators
Market	•estimating farm gate prices
information	•collecting data on agriculture rural and border market
	prices
	•estimating informal cross border trade data
	•collecting data on factors and product markets affecting
	agricultural activities and impact of bio-fuel on the market



THEMATIC DOMAINS (4)

Data analysis	 reconciliation of census data with survey data 	
	 determination of user's information needs for 	
	decision making	
	 use of small area estimation methods for improving 	
	agricultural statistics	
	 crop forecasting and early warning 	
Administrative	Improving the quality of administrative data	
data	More efficient and robust methods to use	
	administrative data for improving agricultural statistics	
Gender	 appropriate indicators 	
related data	 data to be collected and survey designs 	
and indicators		



THEMATIC DOMAINS (5)

Small scale fisheries	Frame and methods for appropriate data collection
	Estimation of self-consumption
Better integration of geographic information and statistics	Robust and statistically based methods for spatial disaggregation and for integrating various kinds of geographical information and georeferenced survey data
	Spatial interpolation and presentation



THEMATIC DOMAINS (6)

Remote sensing	More efficient and accurate methods for using remote sensing
	Evaluating cost efficiency of remote sensing in developing countries
	Improving methods for using AFRICOVER or more detailed land use/cover data-bases
Agri- environment	Identifying indicators and data for: •Agro-environmental indicators •Interactions among climate, environment, and agriculture •Impacts of biofuels and genetically modified organisms on biodiversity and the environment •Deforestation and land cover change



PROGRESS

- 6 months progress report approved by Global Steering Committee 28 June 2013
- Considerable work for:
 - Developing the plan of action
 - Collecting relevant information concerning ongoing or already completed research activities
 - Identifying potential partners



FOR 10 RESEARCH TOPICS SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS MADE

- Information on the ongoing or already completed research activities collected
- Partnerships established and activities of the partners coordinated
- Relevant literature identified and reviewed and reports prepared



NEXT STEPS TILL THE END OF 2013

- Identify and analyse gaps and remaining methodological issues and propose possible solutions
- Organize workshop on results of these activities
- Test proposed methodological improvements (where appropriate, field tests will be designed and conducted)



MAIN ACTIVITIES FORESSEEN FOR 2014

- Prepare technical reports on findings and recommendations for possible solutions to methodological issues
- Submit the technical reports to peer review and validation
- Disseminate the results
- Finalize a methodological publication



PROGRESS AND ISSUES

- For 8 research topics activities started, still require efforts for reaching the objectives
- Research topic "Improving methods for estimating livestock and livestock products" activities postponed to 2014

Issues:

- Identifying the most qualified partners, possibly from developing countries presented difficulties
- Administrative work for establishing partnerships long and complex
- Contractual arrangements very time consuming
- Delayed implementation for several research topics



THANK YOU

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