

PANAP Newsletter

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PAN-AFRICAN NETWORK FOR ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF POLICIES

Dear colleagues, partners, and friends,
Welcome to the first 2025 newsletter of The Pan-African Network for economic Analysis of Policies ([PANAP](#))!

1. News & events

4th PANAP General Assembly

On 17 October, PANAP organised its 4th Pan-African Network for economic Analysis of Policies (PANAP) General Assembly (GA), the highest decision-making governance level of the Network.

The GA was opened by the speeches by the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) Executive Director Aggrey AGUMYA, African Union Commission (AUC) Director for Rural Development, Blue Economy, and Sustainable Environment Godfrey BAHIGWA and JRC Director for Sustainable Resources Alessandra ZAMPIERI. The main objective of the GA was to bring members of the network together to take stock of activities of the network since the previous GA, and discuss the way forward towards achieving the objectives of the Network.

The meeting gave the chance to share updates on PANAP's achievements and progress since its previous meeting in 2023, inform and present emerging opportunities such as the International Research Consortium and the Regional Multi-actor Research Networks (RMRN) to members, and provide information on upcoming events.

During the day, the members discussed two main topics introduced by two keynote speeches: Science and Policy (Dr Tinashe KAPUYA – The Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes (ReNAPRI) Research Director) and Trade and Food Security (Dr Diana AKULLO OGWAL - African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Secretariat).

Finally, the GA gave the opportunity to discuss, present and adopt the PANAP charter with the aim of allowing the platform to accept new members to the network, increase its visibility and facilitate knowledge sharing among members.

Upcoming events

One-year Mentorship Programme in CGE Modelling for Analysing Agri-food Policies in Africa

The Strengthening Evidence-Based Policy Practice for Sustainable Food Systems (StEPPFoS) project, funded by Horizon Europe, is excited to announce a one-year mentorship program focused on single-country CGE modelling. This program is designed to support up to four researchers from the Pan-African Network for Economic Analysis of Policies (PANAP) member institutions in conducting their own computable general equilibrium (CGE) analyses using the DEMETRA model.

All information are available [here](#)

Deadline: 15 April 2025, 18 GMT



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ONE-YEAR MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME IN CGE MODELLING FOR ANALYSING AGRI-FOOD POLICIES IN AFRICA

Are you a researcher working on African agri-food systems? Do you have some experience in conducting CGE simulations and can conduct an analysis independently? Would you be happy to have a mentor to discuss your modeling choices, research design and analysis as well as deepen your knowledge of the methodology? If yes, then this programme is for you!

About the programme:
The objective is to contribute to strengthening the economic modelling capacities of African researchers and institutions that are members or potential members of PANAP. More specifically, it is designed to support the mentee towards a peer-reviewed publication using CGE modelling.

You can apply if:

- ▶ Your institution is a PANAP member or in the process of becoming a member
- ▶ You have experience in conducting CGE modelling and analysis (proven by successful completion of CGE courses and/or relevant publications)

Programme Mentors

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How to apply
Scan the QR code to learn more about the programme and how to apply. You can also visit the link below to learn more.
<https://zenodo.com/10162026>

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2. PANAP Partners' activities

Analyse des impacts de la ZLECAF sur les sous-secteurs agro-alimentaires et la sécurité alimentaire en Côte d'Ivoire

On December 20 2024, the [Centre ivoirien de recherches économiques et sociales \(CIRES\)](#) organised a workshop to disseminate the results of the study on the impact of the implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) on agri-food sub-sectors and food security in Côte d'Ivoire, carried out by CIRES researchers in collaboration with the European Union's Joint Research Centre (JRC).

The results of this research provide decision-makers at national level with valuable insights into the implementation of the AfCFTA, to whose implementation the government of Côte d'Ivoire is strongly committed.

Atelier d'enrichissement de l'étude sur les réformes commerciales et croissance économique au Niger : une analyse de l'impact de la ZLECAF sur l'économie

On December 21, 2024, the Cellule d'Analyse des Politiques publiques et d'Évaluation de l'action Gouvernementale (CAPEG) organised a workshop in the meeting room of the Niger Prime Minister's Office chaired by the Director of the Prime Minister's Office. It brought together directors and executives of state institutions and academics from Abdou Moumouni University in Niamey.

The meeting served to present the results of the study led by Dr. Saadatou A. Sangaré on the AfCFTA impacts on Niger economy.

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3. Recent publications

JRC Working Papers on Economic Analysis of Policies in Africa

2024-05 - [Exploring food consumption patterns across the rural-urban continuum in West Africa](#)

2025-01 - [Behind the model, beyond the numbers: The 2019 Social Accounting Matrix for Nigeria](#)

If you are interested in publish your work, please contact us: JRC-PANAP@ec.europa.eu

Reports:

- [Le programme de subvention des intrants agricoles au Sénégal \[The agricultural input subsidy program in Senegal\]](#)
- [The Impacts of African Continental Free Trade Area on COMESA](#)

Dashboard:

- [Food consumption in West Africa](#)
- [SAM Nigeria](#)

Journal articles:

- [The impacts of Russia's invasion of Ukraine on the Kenyan economy: Evidence from an economy-wide model](#)
- [Do voluntary sustainability standards improve socioeconomic and ecological outcomes? Evidence from Ghana's cocoa sector](#)
- [The contribution of agricultural inputs in reducing child stunting](#)
- [The implications of the Russian invasion of Ukraine for African economies: A CGE analysis for Ethiopia](#)