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PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Submitted by ADRA Madagascar,
Photo by Sitraka Ialijaona

Composting is one of the many techniques that farmers learned in the SALOHI project.

"Trying together is more motivating. We have neighbors to whom we can ask advice in case of forgetting that experimenting at home is no longer a problem."

- Rasoanatoandro Henriette,
Member of the Ezaka Farmer Field School in Ankafotra-Imito

Submit your photos to news@fsnnetwork.org to be featured in the next newsletter.

DID YOU KNOW...

Hesperian launched a bilingual Swahili language hub, featuring material in Swahili translated from Hesperian's *Community Guide to Environmental Health*.

Download and explore the PDFs [here](#).

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The FSN Network News is a community newsletter, and we welcome your input. If you know of a relevant upcoming event, you're releasing a new publication, or you come across a cool article, send it our way for inclusion in an upcoming newsletter. We also share new job openings, funding opportunities, calls for input, and photos. Email submissions to news@fsnnetwork.org.

Knowledge Sharing Meeting Materials



Thank you so much to all presenters, participants, staff, and volunteers who made the Knowledge Sharing Meeting a success. We brought together over 200 practitioners and donors to learn about new tools and practices, gain skills for building stronger, more resilient food security programming, and discuss how to incorporate knowledge management into your everyday work.

All session materials, including presentations, handouts, and videos of the keynote and plenary sessions, are now available at fsnnetwork.org.

Please send any questions about meeting materials to events@fsnnetwork.org.

Featured Member of the FSN Network

Alexandra Rutishauser-Perera



"We would like to try to find a way to better show the impact of agricultural programs on nutrition...because it is not researched enough."

Alexandra Rutishauser-Perera is a member of [Agriculture and Nutrition Linkages in Africa Network Interest Group](#) of the FSN Network. She works for the International Medical Corps as the Roving Nutrition Advisor in the Horn of Africa.

Read the full interview at fsnnetwork.org.

Last Chance to Submit Photos to Food for Peace

Help Food for Peace tell its story and its accomplishments in reducing hunger, poverty and malnutrition — with photos. **Photo submissions are due by July 31, 2014.**

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Integrating Very Poor Producers into Value Chains Training

Thursday, August 28, 2014

Washington, DC

The objective of the Field Guide training is to provide guidance to development workers on how to better integrate very poor producers into value chains. It has been developed especially for front-line field development practitioners.

Facilitators will include Dan Norell of World Vision and Margie Brand of EcoVentures International

Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

The Gender Forum: What We've Done, What We've Learned and How We're Moving Forward

Thursday, August 14, 2014

Washington, DC

Join Lutheran World Relief to highlight current experiences in gender integration work through two panel discussions led by organizations working on the front line of gender integration. The event will include:

- Reflections on instituting gender integration at the organizational level
- Specific LWR project examples from field and partner staff in Uganda, Nicaragua and India.

This event is funded by a [TOPS grant](#) Lutheran World Relief received to expand its Learning for Gender Integration (LGI) Initiative. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Regional Workshop on Sustainable Impact

September 8 - 10, 2014

Blantyre, Malawi

Please join PCI for a TOPS-funded, 3-day practitioner-driven workshop to share promising practices and models related to sustainability. This workshop is designed to help international development practitioners (especially food and nutrition security related programming) enhance the sustainability of their programs' impact through practical guidance and tools that could be applied to existing program and management processes.

As space is limited (maximum 60 participants), applications for the workshop will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Learn more [here](#), and email workshops@pciglobal.org for an application.

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USAID Washington Learning Center, 2231 Crystal Drive in Arlington, VA

The Office of Food for Peace will be offering an ARR/SAPQ training session for PVO partners on September 17-18. This two-day training will cover submission of quality Annual Results Reports (ARRs) and Standardized Annual Performance Questionnaires (SAPQs) into the Food for Peace Management Information System (FFPMIS). Training topics will include guidance on indicator data entry, information on different indicators types, and common mistakes in submitting ARR and SAPQs.

While the training will cover entering ARR into FFP, the bulk of the training is focused on SAPQ data entry for FFP development programs. The targeted audience for this training is PVO staff who will be entering FY 2014 SAPQ data into FFP. The training is two full days and participants are expected to attend both days. Space is limited.

If you would like to attend the training, please register online [here](#). Registration closes at 5 pm EDT on September 2.

Please contact Joseph Tordiff at jtordiff@usaid.gov with questions related to this training.

Save the Date: Food Assistance Commodity Management Workshop September 22 - 26, 2014 Dakar, Senegal

The TOPS Commodity Management Team has begun planning its upcoming [Food Assistance Commodity Management \(FACM\) Workshop](#) for all staff who handle commodities associated with FFP Title II programs in the West Africa region. The workshop will take place from September 22-26, 2014 in Dakar, Senegal.

Any inquiries about the workshop should be sent to Julia Crowley at jcrowley@savechildren.org.

Livestock Community of Practice: A New FSN Network Interest Group

Some members of the FSN Network are starting an interest group that brings together food security implementers working on interventions that incorporate ruminants, poultry production, small holder dairy production, and other livestock activities so that practitioners can learn from one another.

If you'd like to join the group or learn more, send an email to info@fsnnetwork.org.

Search for FFP Annual Monitoring Indicators Tools

At FFP's request, FANTA is collecting examples of tools to collect [FFP annual monitoring indicators](#). Does your program or organization have high quality tools that could be used to collect any of the indicators on [this list](#)? Would you be willing to share them with FANTA? FANTA will then make them available to Title II partners for possible use or adoption in their programs. Both Title II and non-Title II programs and partners are encouraged to respond.

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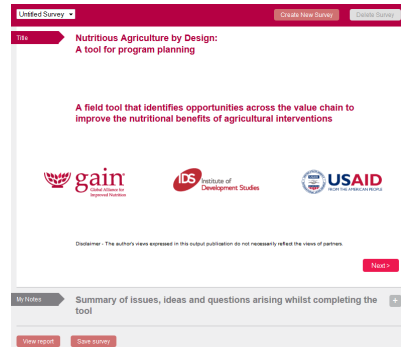
welcome.

Featured Resource

Nutritious Agriculture by Design: A Tool for Program Design

This tool provides a practical way of focusing value chain-based agricultural initiatives to narrow the gap between the goal of raising the income and/or productivity of producers and/or the people they employ and the goal of improving nutrition.

View the tool and leave your comments [here](#).



Job Postings

- [Director, Food Operations and Technical Unit](#) based in WDC with Save the Children
- [Senior Research Assistant/Research Analyst](#) based in WDC with IFPRI
- [Practice Manager, Food Security and Resilience](#) based in WDC with Land O'Lakes International Development
- [Nutritionist](#) based in WDC with Foreign Agricultural Service
- [Global Panel Secretariat Coordinator](#) based in London with London International Development Centre
- [Senior Director, Gender, Economic Empowerment and Livelihoods](#) based in WDC with International Center for Research on Women
- [Director, Food Security](#) based in WDC with ACDI/VOCA
- [Program Analyst \(Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist\)](#) based in WDC with Foreign Agricultural Service
- [Professor and Chair of the Department of Nutrition and Food Science, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources](#) based in MD with University of Maryland, College Park
- [Policy Officer, Food Security and Nutrition](#) based in South Africa/WDC with The ONE Campaign
- [Agriculture Training Specialist, KDAD Project](#) based in Arlington, VA with Training Resources Group, Inc.

Task Force Meetings

Newcomers are welcome! Learn more about Task Forces [here](#).

[Knowledge Management](#): Tuesday, August 5 at 3:00pm EDT

[Social and Behavioral Change](#): Tuesday, August 19 at 1:00pm EDT

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[Apply for a grant through the TOPS Small Grants Program - Awarded on a rolling basis.](#) Under the Micro Grants RFA, selected projects will receive a maximum of \$50,000 per award and a project completion period of April 30, 2015.

[Submit an article to Farming Matters - Due September 1, 2014.](#) This issue will focus on how family farming and agroecology support the nutrition of family members and the wider community.

[Submit a horticultural project proposal to the Trellis Fund - Due September 15, 2014.](#) The Trellis Fund provides organizations in developing countries with access to U.S. graduate student expertise to implement projects that benefit both the students and the in-country institutions.

Upcoming Events

[Women in Agriculture - A Toolkit for Mobile Services Practitioners:](#) NetHope; August 5, 2014; Online

[The Gender Forum: What We've Done, What We've Done, and How We're Moving Forward:](#) Lutheran World Relief; August 14, 2014; WDC & Online

[17th World Congress of Food Science and Technology:](#) International Union of Food Science and Technology, Canadian Institute of Food Science and Technology; August 17 - 18, 2014; Montreal, Canada

[Integrating Very Poor Producers into Value Chains Training:](#) TOPS; August 28, 2014; WDC

[Regional Workshop on Sustainable Impact - Malawi:](#) PCI; September 8 - 10, 2014; Blantyre, Malawi

[More Events](#)

New Publications, Guides & Tools

[Bangladesh Bellmon Estimation Study \(BEST\) Report](#) from USAID Office of Food for Peace

[Bangladesh Bellmon Estimation Study \(BEST\) Annexes](#) from USAID Office of Food for Peace

[P4P's Women's Empowerment Pathways: Roadblocks and Successes](#) from World Food Programme

[Implications of Community-based Legal Aid Regulation on Women's Land Rights](#) from IFPRI

[Human Development Report 2014: Sustaining Human Progress: Reducing Vulnerabilities and Building Resilience](#) from UNDP

Recent Articles

[4 Ways Agricultural Development Groups Can Invest in Land Rights](#) from Devex

[5 Arguments to Include Women in Dairy Chain Development](#) from Agri-ProFocus Learning Network

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Science Monitor

[Warnings Mount of East Africa Famine - Is Anyone Listening?](#) from The Christian Science Monitor[GM Scaremongering in Africa Is Disarming the Fight Against Poverty](#) from The Guardian

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