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Recent publications in the field of Agriculture and Rural Development

## Library Briefings



[COP16 - Conférence internationale sur le climat, Cancún \(29/11-10/12 2010\)](#) / Agnès Boucheron, Briefing No 115/2010

La COP16 est une étape cruciale vers un accord international juridiquement contraignant, probablement conclu en Afrique du Sud en 2011. Finances, transparence et atténuation restent les points noirs de la négociation. Les récents Conseil Environnement et Conseil européen ont adopté la position commune européenne pour Cancún.

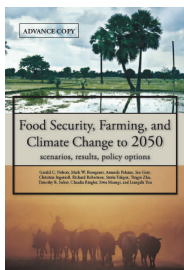
## Library Key Issues



[Situation of Young Farmers](#) / Daniela Geiderer, 2010.

The Common Agricultural Policy has been at the centre of European integration since the treaty of Rome. While food production in the European Union may rise in the future, the situation of the next generations of farmers is uncertain. At present just 7.6% of farms in the European Union are run by people under 35. The aim of this Key Issue is to give an overview of the recent situation of young farmers in the European Union relating to the future CAP.

## Reports, Studies and Articles



[Food Security, Farming, and Climate Change to 2050: Scenarios, Results, Policy Options](#) / Gerald C. Nelson et al. International Food Policy Research Institute, 2010, p.115

This study assesses how serious the danger to food security might be and suggests some steps policymakers can take to remedy the situation. Using various modelling techniques, the authors project 15 different future scenarios for food security through 2050. Each scenario involves an alternative combination of potential population and income growth and climate change. The authors conclude that the negative effects of climate change on food security can be counteracted by broad-based economic growth—particularly improved agricultural productivity—and robust international trade in agricultural products to offset regional shortages.



**[Confronting biopiracy : challenges, cases and international debates](#)** / Robinson, Daniel F. London: Earthscan, 2010, 190 p.

Biopiracy cases continue to emerge in the media and public eye, yet they remain the source of considerable disagreement, confusion, controversy and grief. The aim of this book is to provide the most detailed, coherent analysis of the issue of biopiracy to date.



**["Climate-Smart" Agriculture: Policies, Practices and Financing for Food Security, Adaptation and Mitigation](#)** / FAO. 2010, p.41

The document was prepared as a technical input for the Hague Conference on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change, to be held 31 October to 5 November 2010 in Hague. This paper examines some of the key technical, institutional, policy and financial responses required to achieve climate-smart agriculture which sustainably increases productivity, resilience (adaptation), reduces/removes Greenhouse Gases (mitigation), and enhances achievement of national food security and development goals.



**[Changing Perspectives: How the EU Budget Can Shape a Sustainable Future](#)** / BirdLife Europe; EEB; WWF; FoE; CEE Bankwatch Network; Conservation International ; Transport and Environment, November 2010, p.50

The report offers an assessment how the EU-Budget is contributing to tackling the challenges of climate change, biodiversity loss and resource overconsumption. The EU-Budget 2014-2020 is a rare opportunity to match deeds to words, and ensure that taxpayers' scarce money is used to deliver European public goods. Chapter 3. Reforming the EU funds describes goals, reality and recommendations for EU funds-Common Agricultural Policy amongst others.



**[Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on Honeybee Health](#)** / DG for Health & Consumers, Brussels, COM(2010) 714 final, 6.12.2010

The European Commission adopted on the 6th of December 2010 a Communication providing for a series of specific actions that will help to better understand the reasons behind the worldwide issue of high bee mortality and will therefore assist the efforts to find solutions to the problem.

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