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What is AGRIMONITOR?

**Agricultural Policy Online Database**, launched by IDB in 2014

**Purpose:** Improving farm policies in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC)

**FACTS ABOUT AGRIMONITOR:**
- *Key source* for agricultural policy indicators for LAC countries
- *A research instrument* that helps analyze and compare agricultural policies and programs in the region
- *Asset* for better decision-making on agricultural policy
- *Strategic tool* for publications, presentations, infographics, and documents on agricultural policy
- So far, 18 countries included (+ 6 in 2016)
What are the MOOCs?

Massive Online Open Course (MOOC)

• Since 2014 - IDB became the first organization specialized in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) to provide MOOCs

• The IDB has developed a series of courses through edX.org: an online education platform founded by Harvard University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

• IDB shares its practical expertise and knowledge on development issues

What Can You Find in the MOOCs:

- Practical Activities
- Lectures (Videos)
- Readings
- Forums
- Quizzes and tests
What is in the AGRIMONITOR MOOC?

Course Period: October 25\textsuperscript{th} - November 29\textsuperscript{th} (5 weeks)

Outline:

- Intro: Overview of the course
- M1: What are Agricultural Policies?
- M2: AGRIMONITOR and the PSE Methodology
- M3: Trade, Competitiveness and Agricultural Policies
- M4: Agricultural Policies and Food Security
- M5: Agricultural Policies and Climate Change

Others:

- AGRIMONITOR Case Studies
- Experts (Instructors) from OECD, World Bank, FAO and others
- Tests
Benefits:

- **Sectoral Competencies:**
  - *Learn* about analysis and evaluation tools for agricultural policies
  - *Compare* agricultural public policies
  - *Improve* the efficiency and effectiveness of public policies and resource management
  - *Develop* awareness on climate change and food security

- **General Competencies:**
  - *Access* to a new learning technology
  - *Strengthen* data analysis and problem solving skills
  - *Improve* creative, critical and analytical thinking

- **Opportunity to Conduct a Research Project**
How Can You Start?

Follow the Steps Below:

1) Go to the edX platform website: https://www.edx.org

2) Register on the site, by clicking on the button “Register”

3) Follow registration instructions as provided by the website

4) Once registered in edX, go to the search bar “I want to learn about” and write “AGRIMONITOR”

5) Click on the “Enroll Now” button

6) Complete all the fields and follow instructions as given by the website
THANK YOU!
What do participants from public sector gain?

Specific competencies
• Develop and evaluate agricultural policies
• Compare the agricultural public policies over time within a country or between countries
• Economic reasoning
• Improve programs and development projects
• Improve the implementation of public policies
• Efficient management of resources
• Awareness on climate change and food security issues

Opportunity
• Participation in Research Contest
What do consumer organizations gain?

Specific competencies
- Evaluate agricultural policies and their effects on consumers
- Compare the agricultural public policies over time within a country or between countries
- Economic reasoning
- Awareness on climate change and food security issues

Opportunity
- Participation in Research Contest
What do Universities faculty/students gain?

Specific competencies
• Evaluate agricultural policies and propose adjustments
• Compare agricultural public policies over time within a country or between countries
• Economic reasoning
• Improve programs and development research projects
• Awareness on climate change and food security issues

Opportunities
• Relationship University – IDB
• Curriculum improvement
• Participation in Research Contest
What do participants from research organizations gain?

Specific competencies
• Evaluate agricultural policies
• Access and familiarity with a new database
• Compare agricultural public policies over time within a country or between countries
• Economic reasoning
• Improve programs and development research projects
• Awareness on climate change and food security issues

Opportunities
• PSE Methodology
• Relationship Organization – IDB
• Participation in Research Contest