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## **Abstracts on Sustainable Agriculture**

The volume is organized in six sections.

### **Maize and Grace**

### **African Visions**

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### **The Significance of the Frontier in American History**

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### **Workers of the World**

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This hugely influential work marked a turning point in US history and culture, arguing that the nation's expansion into the Great West was directly linked to its unique spirit: a rugged individualism forged at the juncture between civilization and wilderness, which – for better or worse – lies at the heart of American identity today. Throughout history, some books have changed the world. They have transformed the way we see ourselves – and each other. They have inspired debate, dissent, war and revolution. They have enlightened, outraged, provoked and comforted. They have enriched lives – and destroyed them. Now Penguin brings you the works of the great thinkers, pioneers, radicals and visionaries whose ideas shook civilization and helped make us who we are.

### **UNRISD Social Development News**

#### **Falling Into Place**

#### **Fragmentation, Climatic Change, and Non-modernisation of an Agricultural System as Promoters of Land Degradation in the Environment**

## **The New Frontier**

Agricultural development that is environmentally, socially, economically, and culturally sustainable is essential for food production of the increasing world population, and the very future of mankind. The issues pertaining to the so-called population-environmental nexus are at the heart of the current debate on sustainable development. It is argued that while on a global scale population growth is one of the main driving forces of environmental change, there are significant local variations in the interrelationship between people, food production, and environmental change. This publication is based on the UNU Global Environmental Forum, which brought together leading scholars from both the South and the North to address the issues of population, land management, and environmental change. The authors draw extensively upon field research carried out in the tropical and subtropical regions of South-East Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa, and the Amazon. The agricultural ecosystems; indigenous knowledge in the sustainable management of biological and land resources; the role of women; and participatory approaches to rural development. It is realized that a large part of the problem of conservation of biological diversity lies outside of the protected areas, in agricultural areas where pressures have led to often detrimental changes in the production processes and the environment. It is argued that indigenous production systems are often highly adaptive to the local ecological and socio-economic conditions, and can be sustainable if given the chance.

## **Connect**

### **The Working Class "web"**

Democracy as a process of change is led increasingly by movements in the so-called "southern" countries. People's groups that are not part of the alliance of richer, industrialized states are seeking social justice that can benefit the excluded and less powerful from both the north and south.

### **Trans-Atlantic Migration**

### **Agriculture and Human Values**

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Contributed papers presented at the Conference.

### **Zambezia**

Examines Africa's political, social, and cultural developments and challenges.

### **The Profits of Power**

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### **Global Poverty, Democracy and North-South Change**

## **Sustainability of Agrosilvopastoral Systems**

### **Money Struggles and City Life**

After examining immigrant political activity in the context of the rise of the racist Northern League, the book ends with a discussion of the possibilities that immigrant experiences are setting the stage for a new planetary working class movement."--BOOK JACKET.

### **Ghana Journal of Forestry**

The Oxford Handbook of Modern African History represents an invaluable tool for historians and others in the field of African studies. This collection of essays, produced by some of the finest scholars currently working in the field, provides the latest insights into, and interpretations of, the history of Africa - a continent with a rich and complex past. An understanding of this past is essential to gain perspective on Africa's current challenges, and this accessible and comprehensive volume will allow readers to explore various aspects - political, economic, social, and cultural - of the continent's history over the last two hundred years. Since African history first emerged as a serious academic endeavour in the 1950s and

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1960s, it has undergone numerous shifts in terms of emphasis and approach, changes brought about by political and economic exigencies and by ideological debates. This multi-faceted Handbook is essential reading for anyone with an interest in those debates, and in Africa and its peoples. While the focus is determinedly historical, anthropology, geography, literary criticism, political science and sociology are all employed in this ground-breaking study of Africa's past.

### **The Search for Sustainable Human Development in Southern Africa**

### **The Organization of Land Markets and Production in Ghana**

### **Ecology and Farming**

This book argues that a new cadre of African immigrants are finding themselves in the New World—mostly well educated, high-income earning professionals, and belonging to the category termed "African brain drain," they constitute the antinomy of those Africans who were forcibly removed from Africa during slavery.



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Along with this sense of freedom and voluntary migration comes a paradox—that of living in two worlds and negotiating the pleasures and agonies that come with living in exile. For the new African immigrant, the primary factor motivating migration is the desire for a better life whether fleeing political persecution, economic crisis, refugee crisis, or a combination thereof. The overall consequences include displacement, alienation, and the not so enchanting reality of exile. In its encompassing structure and multivalent perspectives, Trans-Atlantic Migration sets in motion the shifting theoretical and pragmatic verity that the new African diaspora and transatlantic migrations are paths laden with paradoxes that only time, negotiations, compromises, and sense of identities can ultimately resolve.

### **The Nigerian Academic Forum**

### **Clearing the Ghanaian Forest**

### **Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Sustainable Development**

### **Annual Report**

## **Political Ecology, Mountain Agriculture, and Knowledge in Honduras**

For almost thirty years, Brookings Papers on Economic Activity (BPEA) has provided academic and business economists, government officials, and members of the financial and business communities with timely research of current economic issues. Contents include: Articles "The East Asian Financial Crisis: Diagnosis, Remedies, Prospects" by Steven Radelet and Jeffrey D. Sachs "Self-Control and Saving for Retirement" by David I. Laibson, Andrea Repetto, and Jeremy Tobacman "The Political Economy of Fiscal Adjustments" by Alberto Alesina, Roberto Perotti, and José Tavares Reports "The Wealth Dynamics of American Families, 1984-94" by Erik Hurst, Ming Ching Luoh, and Frank P. Stafford "Hours Reductions as Work-Sharing" by Jennifer Hunt

## **Africa's crises**

"Assembling Export Markets" explores the origins of global agrifood chains through an examination of the new 'frontier regions' of the global fresh produce market that has emerged in the West African Republic of Ghana over the past decade. Building on an organizational ethnography of two large agribusiness enterprises

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which have contracted local farmers for export production, author Stefan Ouma demonstrates that what is commonly naturalized as 'market integration' in contemporary development discourses is, in actuality, a frictional and ontologically transformative process. Through original research on organizational strategies and everyday market encounters between agribusiness enterprises and farmers in southern and northern Ghana, Ouma reveals that the practical enactment and local engagement of seemingly universal forces must be considered to understand the ongoing extension of global market relations. Innovative and ground-breaking, "Assembling Export Markets" sheds important new light on our understanding of the origins, evolution and crisis moments of global agrifood connections.

## **The Oxford Handbook of Modern African History**

### **Common Pool Resources and Collective Action**

This study examines the operations of the popular economy and social life of southern Nigerian people under the incoherent conditions that followed Nigeria's first currency devaluation in 1986. It describes in detail the institutional and cultural innovations that fostered local economic activity and strengthened social groupings. The book questions standard views of either chaos or stagnation in the

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African popular economy under autocratic rule and incoherent policy. It shows how over 100 million people continued to make a living and maintain high levels of equanimity and productivity even in the face of chronic turbulence. Despite economic challenges, regrouping, institutional innovation and cultural elaboration did take place, often in ways that reforged the relationship between formal and informal economic practices and among local, regional, and global economies. The book's case studies, taken together, identify distinct patterns and directions of growth at a time when many observers thought that chaos seemed the most likely outcome. This is an important contribution to the literature on the social history of globalization and to interdisciplinary analyses of local social, cultural, and political economic systems.

### **Social Networks in Ghana**

The rehabilitation of those regions of the Tropics where monocropping has destroyed both local self-sufficiency and biologically rich and stable environments is fundamental to the success of any strategy for sustainable development. Dr Amanor draws on his study to suggest policies based on regeneration of the local economy, diversification of agricultural products and markets, community participation in drawing up environmental agendas and utilization of local farmers' knowledge.

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