

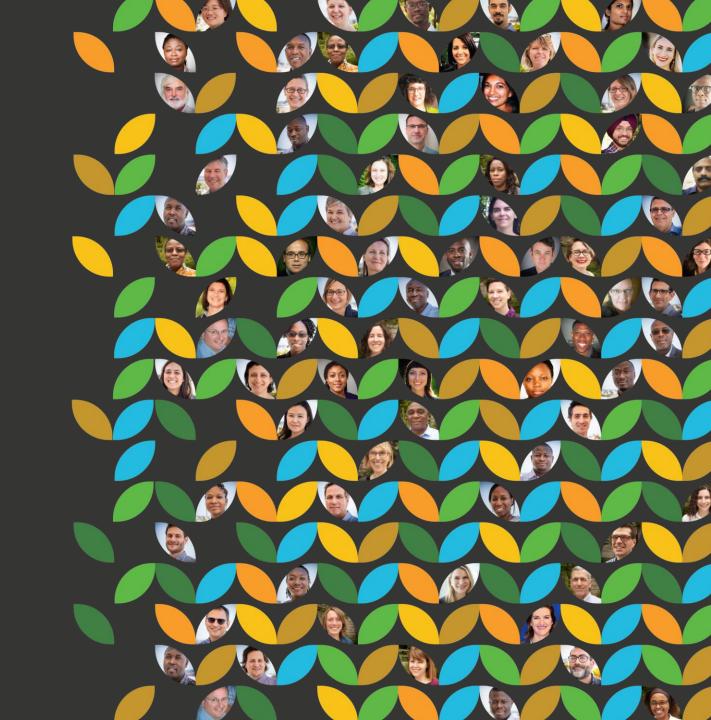






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Learning from the reviews

What do we know now?



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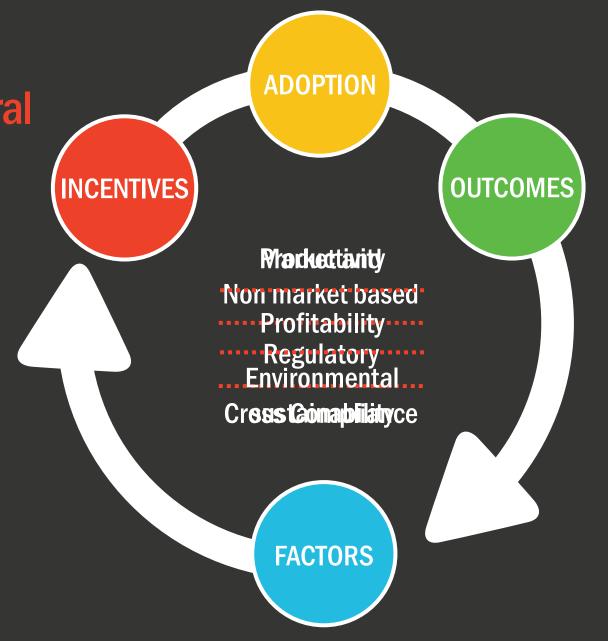


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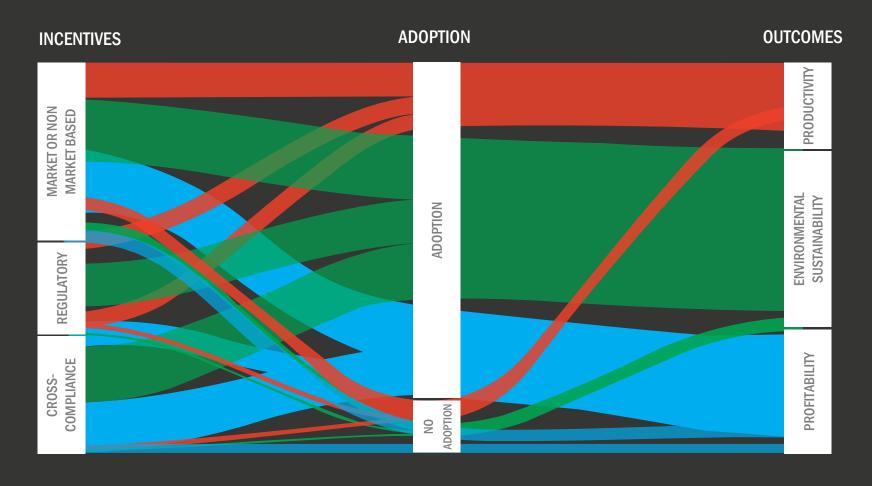
A scoping review on incentives for adoption of sustainable agricultural practices and their outcomes

- Scoping review of nearly 18,000 papers on the linkages of various incentives that are offered to farmers by many actors
- We examine the adoption of sustainable farming practices as they relate to environmental, economic and productivity outcomes
- This chain, linking incentives, adoption, and outcomes, offers a consistent logic by which to parse and evaluate best practices in agriculture policy around sustainability themes.



Full text connections between incentives, adoption and outcomes (93 articles)

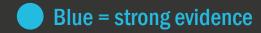
- Flow from incentive type through the adoption process to the set of outcomes
- Evidence on all three incentive categories tend to be weighted first towards environmental outcomes, second toward profitability outcomes, and finally towards productivity outcomes



Evidence Map, articles reviews by intervention and outcomes (subset of 44 articles)

Size of circle corresponds to the number of article reviews in each category.

Inner circle colors indicate the level of evidence.





Border colors indicate quality of methodology

Red = methodology is generally strong

INCENTIVES	OUTCOMES		
	Profitability	Productivity	Environmental sustainability
Market and Non market based			
Regulatory			
Cross Compliance			

Enabling
Growth:
What are we learning?

What policy incentives will lead farmers to adopt environmentally sustainable practices?

Evidence from a scoping review



Economic incentives are essential if we want farmers to adopt sustainable practices. When conservation technologies are offered in conjunction with measures that enhance the short-term profitability of agriculture, the adoption of conservation practices increases significantly.



Success depends not only on achieving the conservation outcome, but simultaneously improving efficiency (no net cost on the farmer, or better, an income gain), as well as being simple and easy to communicate and evaluate.

How to Create Incentives for Farmers:

Policy Recommendations

KNOW YOUR FARMERS

COMPLEMENT

BE PREPARED FOR A LONG-TIME HORIZON















BALANCE THE INCENTIVES AND OUTCOMES

KEEP IT SIMPLE

BEHAVIORAL PREFERENCES MATTER

CREATE AN
ENABLING
ENVIRONMENT



Thank you



Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

- (1) Published in 1994 or later;
- (2) Explicit focus on incentives for sustainable environmental agricultural practices;
- (3) Explicit focus on adoption of sustainable environmental agricultural practices;
- (4) Explicit connection of the adoption of agricultural practices to sustainability outcomes;
- (5) Explicit analysis of the impact of incentives on income, production, productivity, profits, and/or environmental sustainability; and
- (6) Original research (qualitative and quantitative reports) and/or review of existing research including gray literature.

Exclusion criteria were the inverse of the inclusion criteria.

Title and Abstract Screening

Title/abstract
screening was
initiated with two
independent
reviewers reviewing
each citation.

After, due to the very large number of citations and the strong degree of inter-rater reliability, a rapid review, single-screener methodology was adopted for all of the remaining citations.

Papers were selected; of these, 1694 were found in scholarly databases and 98 were found in grey literature sources.

Fleiss Kappa indicator

- Following Waffenschmidt et al., to test for inter-rater reliability in the full text screening, we conducted a double-blind pretest of ten articles and then assess inter-rater reliability using the Fleiss Kappa indicator.
- This indicator is a statistical measure for assessing the reliability of agreement between a fixed number of raters when classifying a number of items. The measure calculates the degree of agreement in classification over that which would be expected by chance.
- After calculating the indicator, we can say that the level of potential bias of a single-screener method introduces in this methods section is not significant, given that the kappa value of at least 0.61 indicates substantial agreement and we have a value of 0.7.

Interpretation of Kappa Slight Fair Moderate Substantial Almost perfect Kappa 0.0 1.0 .20 .40 .60 .80<u>Kappa</u> Agreement < 0 Less than chance agreement 0.01 - 0.20Slight agreement 0.21 - 0.40Fair agreement 0.41 - 0.60Moderate agreement 0.61 - 0.80Substantial agreement

Fleiss, J. L. (1971) "Measuring nominal scale agreement among many raters." *Psychological Bulletin*, Vol. 76, No. 5 pp. 378–382

Almost perfect agreement

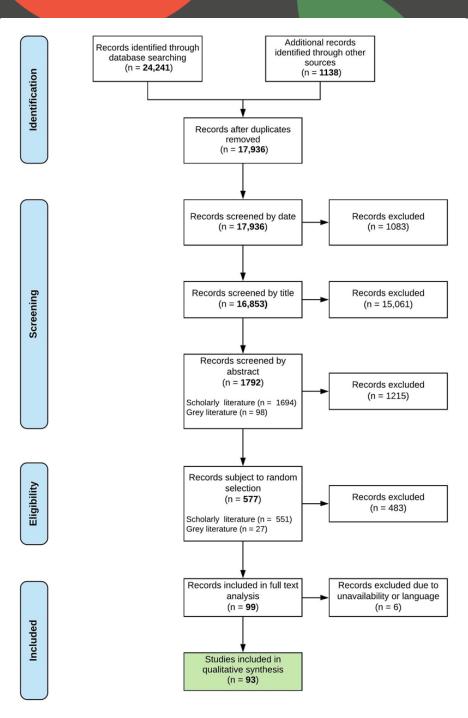
0.81 - 0.99

Protocol: : Market, regulatory and compliance incentives for farmers to adopt environmentally sustainable practices: a protocol for a scoping review

- Administrative information
- Introduction
- Methods-Objectives (setting, population, single intervention, comparators, outcomes of interest, study design)
- Definitions
- Research question
- Eligibility criteria (inclusion/exclusion)
- Information sources (databases, grey literature)
- Search strategy
- Study records (data management, selection process, data collection process)
- Critical appraisal of individual sources of evidence
- Data synthesis charting (incentives, outcomes, journal, factors)



Prisma Flow Diagram



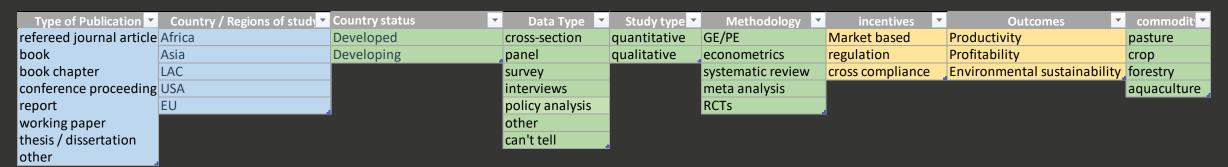
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C1	20	3		
C2	7	1		
C3	26	4		
C4	10	2		
C5	12	2		
C6	6	1		
C7	15	3		
C8	11	2		
C9	12	2		
C10	300	51		
C11	19	3		
C12	14	2		
C13	18	3		
C14	11	2		
C15	5	1		
C16	10	2		
C17	9	2		
C18	51	9		
C19	12	2		
C20	12	2		

Still, too many articles after the full text screening: sample clustering

- Because a very large set of citations were included for full-text screening, a semi-structured, stratified randomized sample of 99 citations was selected.
- Our early review process suggested that certain categories of papers (e.g., regarding forestry policy) were more common than others.
- In an effort to capture relevant citations in less prevalent categories, we used smooth inverse document frequency and cosine distances to create a vector space representation of the contents of the titles, key words, and abstracts of the 577 articles.
- We then clustered the vectors (each article is represented as a vector of terms and frequencies) into 20 clusters using Ward's method for hierarchical clustering. A threshold of 20 clusters resulted in clusters ranging in size from 5 to 300 articles.
- We then implemented a stratified random sampling process to identify the set of 99 articles from the 20 clusters as a function of cluster size. The Orange Data Mining Toolbox was used for the analysis. Finally, 6 articles were not included for being written in a language not spoken by any of the authors of this research or because unavailability.

Data Extraction

- Study typo and context
- A categorization of incentives and type of outcomes cover in question of the study
- Other information relevant for the analysis, characteristics of the stakeholders, commodity, data, methodology
- Measure of the Impact (cost of the incentive and impact)
- Quality of the methodology





Quality assessment

An appraisal for quality was done for the 44 articles that passed the inclusion selection process, were part of the sample chosen and had the link between incentives and adoption and adoption and outcomes. the quality assessment however was not used to further exclude papers.

The quality assessment was based on the clearness of the research question, justification of the research approach given the question of the study, clear description of the methodology used and robustness of the chosen methodology.

The assessment was done by the authors of this research for the 44 papers from a scale of 1 to 5, being 1 the lowest.

The screening process already done was key in ensuring that articles that didn't have substantive evidence were not included in this last stage.