

# ACCESS TO GLOBAL ONLINE RESEARCH IN AGRICULTURE



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# INSTITUTIONS AND COUNTRIES ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE



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# SUBJECTS AVAILABLE IN AGORA

- Agriculture
- Animal Science
- Applied Microbiology
- Aquatic Science
- Biochemistry
- Biology
  - Biophysics
    - Biotechnology
  - Chemistry
  - Ecology
  - Economics
  - Entomology
  - Environment
  - Fisheries
  - Food Science
  - Forestry
  - Natural Resources
  - Nutrition
  - Pest Control
  - Plant Science
  - Social Science
  - Soil Science



# ACCESS TO GLOBAL ONLINE RESEARCH IN AGRICULTURE (AGORA)

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The goal is to support the effective use of agricultural research, education and training by academics, students, practitioners, and government personnel with access to high-quality, relevant and timely agricultural information via the Internet.

Since 2003, the initiative supports research conducted in lower income countries by providing free or low-cost online access to a rich set of online scientific publications, including subscription-based and open access information resources, in topical areas supporting the improvement of quality of life.

## Research4Life

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