

Synthesis of *Possible gaps* in research, development and policy priorities

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Research

- production and marketing research
- interdisciplinarity
 - sufficient inclusion of socioeconomic research
 - gender issues
 - land and tree tenure
- alien/invasive tree species
- participatory appraisal techniques
- linkage with development
- long-term monitoring, including permanent sample plots
- traditionally protected areas
- water relations in farming systems
 - water-use efficiency
 - irrigated lands
- (CCD/Benin 2003): marketing strategies; medicinal/aromatic plants/gum arabic; date palm research; biodiversity

Development

- land tenure
- watershed management
- marketing support
- women as resource managers

Policy

- participation/joint management
- social responsibility of actors
- energy-saving technologies
- water resources
- alien/invasive species