

REVIEWER'S REPORT

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Title: THE CORRELATION BETWEEN PRODUCTIVITY AND CROPPING SYSTEMS IN WEST AFRICA : THE CASE OF THE PENZA HYDRO-AGRICULTURAL PERIMETER IN BURKINA FASO

Recommendation:

Accept as it is

Accept after minor revision.....

Accept after major revision

Do not accept (*Reasons below*)

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality		X		
Techn. Quality		X		
Clarity			X	
Significance			X	

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Reviewer's Comment for Publication.

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The reviewer is requested to provide a brief comment (3-4 lines) highlighting the significance, strengths, or key insights of the manuscript. This comment will be Displayed in the journal publication alongside with the reviewers name.

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Detailed Reviewer's Report

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Strengths

1. Relevant and timely research question: The link between agricultural practices and productivity is crucial for rural development.
2. Robust methodological approach: The study uses econometric models (logit and multiple regression), which add scientific rigor.
3. Clear and quantified results: Profit margins are well calculated for each crop and cropping system.
4. Significant correlation demonstrated: A high R^2 value strengthens the credibility of the analysis.

Weaknesses

1. **Language and academic writing style need revision:**
 - a) The text contains numerous grammatical, syntactic, and punctuation errors.
 - b) Several passages are awkward or repetitive.
2. **Occasionally confusing structure:**
 - a) Section organization could be improved, for instance, a clearer separation between results and discussion.
3. **Insufficient detail in the statistical methodology:**
 - a) While the choice of the logit model is justified, key assumptions (normality, homoscedasticity, multicollinearity) are not thoroughly examined.
4. **Lack of critical discussion of limitations:**
 - a) No reflection on potential biases or limitations in the data or analysis.
5. **Literature review is overly descriptive:**
 - a) It would benefit from a more analytical and focused discussion of previous research.

Recommendations

- Professional language editing for grammar and academic style.
- Reorganize sections for clarity (e.g., clear divisions between Abstract, Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion).
- Develop a critical discussion on methodological limitations, data bias, and future research directions.
- Reduce redundancy in the presentation of results.
- Revise the map legend and Figure 2, which are still in French, translate them into English.
- Improve the bibliography: standardize formatting and include more recent sources where applicable.