Socioeconomics in Agriculture

Stefan Mann: Lecture 12 "Perceptions of agriculture in society"

The Lecture in one sentence:

The agricultural system, the societal culture and the level of wealth all influence society's perception of agricultural production and the farming population.

You should, at the end of the lecture

- know the mainly hedonic approach to food by the vast majority of consumers.
- know some key determinants of accepting agricultural production in the neighborhood.
- be able to recall the differences regarding concerns around pig production among Chinese and German consumers.
- know the methodological benefits of factor and cluster analysis.
- understand the rationale of the hot cognition theory.
- Be able to recall the potentials of discourses on the web for thematic discourses.
- understand the differences of discourses around agriculture in Switzerland and Germany and the reasons for these differences.

Further reading:

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