Oakland-Institute: Understanding Land Investment Deals in Africa: Mali (2011)

This very important report identifies and examines cases of large-scale land acquisitions in Mali – including the cases of Sanamadougou et Sahou. The report provides background on the institutional and political context of the country, the current macroeconomic situation, the state of food and agriculture, and the current investment climate. Additionally, it documents detailed information regarding four land investment deals currently being carried out in Mali – inluciding their devasting consequences such as food insecurity, loss of food sovereignty, the displacement of small farmers, conflict, environmental devastation, water loss, and the further impoverishment and political instability of African nations.

The Report can be downloaded here

Furthermore we would like to recommend an <u>interview</u> with members of the Oakland Institute about their recent research about land-grabbing in Mali, Ethiopia and Sierra Leone (which has been published on Pambazuka News)