**Propositions**

1. Input subsidization increases input adoption.

(This thesis)

2. The high rates of Sexual and Gender Based Violence in Eastern DRC are due to the inferior position that women have in their households, and in Congolese society in general.

(This thesis)

3. Confidential treatment of respondent data is more important than research transparency.

4. Researchers should care more about how results are obtained than the results themselves.

5. All development policy will be ineffective without swift action against climate change.

6. The sunk cost fallacy can have positive consequences, as the completion of this thesis shows.

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