

## NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Pan-African standard to manage research funds planned](#). A new initiative will develop continental standards and transparency in managing donor research funds in universities, research institutions and governments.
- [Call for applications: Master's Degree Programmes at University of Rwanda](#)
- [China ups Africa support with training, scholarships](#). 40,000 training opportunities in China and 30,000 government scholarships in the next three years.
- [Christmas is over for journal publishers](#). The League of European Research Universities is calling for changes to ensure universities are not charged twice for the same journal articles.

## PUBLICATIONS

- [Household's socio-economic factors influencing the level of adaptation to climate variability in the dry zones of Eastern Kenya](#) (Mugi-Ngenga, E.W. et al, 2015)
- [Inheritance of resistance to Alectra vogelii in cowpeas \(Vigna unguiculata \[L\] walp.\)](#) (Mbwando, 2015)
- [Development of a decision support system for runoff water storage and irrigation – case study of Common bean at Ukwe, Malawi](#) (Singa, 2015)
- [A summary of lessons from Phase 1 of the Africa Soil Health Consortium](#) (Africa Soil Health Consortium, 2015)

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Grants and Awards:

- [The International Foundation for Science \(IFS\) individual research grants for early-career scientists](#). Supported themes include water and aquatic resources and food security. **Deadline: 31 December, 2015**
- [Agricultural Innovation Marketplace 2016](#). Applications are invited from organizations in Africa in partnership with one or more Embrapa centers in Brazil. **Deadline for pre-proposals: 22 January, 2016**
- [Horizon 2020: New opportunities for EU-funded collaborative research between Africa and Europe](#). **Deadline: 17 February, 2016**
- [Thought for Food Initiative](#) grant to support research projects addressing sustainable agriculture and food systems issues. **Deadline: 29 February, 2016**

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- [2016 Erasmus+ call for proposals to modernise and improve higher education.](#) **Deadline: Varied by project**
- [NEPAD-SANBio mobility grants to support regional and international travel and accommodation for individuals in the Biosciences field.](#) **Deadline: Open till December 2018**
- [2016 grants for environmental conservation, environmental education and research.](#)**Deadline: 31 March, 2016**
- [Global Development Awards 2016 to recognize excellence in development projects and research that benefit the low-income and middle-income countries of the developing world.](#)**Deadline: 5 January, 2016**
- [Climate Technology Initiative \(CTI PFAN\) seeks project proposals of US\\$500,000 and larger to reduce vulnerability to climate change in Africa. Favored sectors include agriculture.](#) **Deadline: 24 January, 2016**
- **(New)** [SANBio/BioFISA II grants to support seed projects in health and nutrition.](#) Open to public research institutions, universities, private sector and NGOs in SADC countries.**Deadline: 1 February, 2016**

## Scholarships:

- [RU/2015/DRG/02: Doctoral Regional Research Scholarships](#) for finalization of PhD research and dissemination of findings. **Deadline: 30 December, 2015**
- [RU/2015/GTA/DRG/01: Doctoral Regional Research Scholarships](#) for RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistants at member universities. **Deadline: 30 December, 2015**
- [PhD training opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program.](#) **Deadline: Open**
- [Israeli Agency for International Development \(MASHAV\) is offering professional short courses in Israel in subject areas that include agriculture.](#) Scholarships available.
- [Rothamsted International Fellowship Scheme.](#) Supporting scientists from developing countries to train at Rothamsted Research for 6-12 months. **Deadline: 21 December, 2015**
- [International training course on "Sustainable Livelihoods and Mainstreaming with Market," February-April 2016, India.](#) **Deadline: 22 December, 2015**
- [The Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund Fellowship 2016](#) for researchers employed at NARIs or universities. **Deadline: 31 December, 2015**
- [Australia Awards Scholarships](#) for master-level degrees and short courses for African professionals. **Applications will be received from September to December each year.**
- [International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis invites doctoral students worldwide to participate in its Young Scientists Summer Program in Austria.](#) Scholarships available.**Deadline: 11 January, 2016**



- [Harvard University Environmental Fellowships 2016](#). Candidates with a doctorate in any subject area from any university in the world are eligible. **Deadline: 13 January, 2016**
- [The Graduate Institute Geneva now open for 2016/2017 applications](#). Financial aid for Master's and Doctoral studies available. **Deadline: 15 January, 2016**
- [The Oxford Patrick Duncan Scholarship](#). Open to SADC countries only. **Deadline: 22 January, 2016**
- [VLIR-UOS scholarships for Master's degree studies in various fields at Ghent University](#). **Deadline: 1 February 2015 for academic admission prior to scholarship application.**
- [DAAD/EU funded Postdoctoral Researchers International Mobility Experience \(P.R.I.M.E. 2016\) for outstanding postdoctoral researchers across all disciplines and nationalities](#). **Deadline: 1 February, 2016**
- [Erasmus Mundus CARIBU 2016-2017 mobility scholarships](#). Supports Master's studies, student exchange and staff mobility. Priority fields include agriculture and environment. **Deadline: 8 February 2016**
- [Alexander von Humboldt Foundation International Climate Protection Fellowships 2016](#) for young climate experts from developing countries to conduct a project in Germany. **Deadline: 1 March, 2016**
- [Education for Sustainable Energy Development \(ESED\) scholarship for Masters Studies in Sustainable Energy](#). Supports outstanding students from developing countries. **Deadline: 4 March, 2016**
- [International Master of Science in Rural Development \(IMRD\) 2016](#). Erasmus Mundus and IMRD Consortium Scholarships available. **Deadline for scholarship application: 15 March, 2016**
- [CAS-TWAS President's PhD Fellowship Programme](#). Opportunity for non-Chinese citizens to pursue doctoral degrees in various fields including agricultural sciences, in China. **Deadline: 31 March, 2016**

## Calls for papers:

- [Call for papers: Fourth CODESRIA Conference on Electronic Publishing, Dakar, 28-30 March 2016](#). **Deadline: 30 December, 2015**
- [Call for short, extended abstracts and posters/exhibitions](#) for the 5th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2016. **Deadline: 30 June, 2016**
- [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**



## Jobs:

- **(New)** [Technical Assistant, Communication at RUFORUM](#). **Deadline: 25 January, 2016**
- **(New)** [Technical Assistant, Planning Monitoring and Evaluation at RUFORUM](#). **Deadline: 25 January, 2016**
- [PhD student opportunity in crop production at Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences](#). **Deadline: 4 January, 2016**
- [Senior Lecturer Remote Sensing at the University of Botswana](#). **Deadline: 31 May, 2016**

