

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Her Excellency, Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma receives a RUFORUM Award for her exemplary leadership and advancement of higher education, science, technology and innovation](#)
- [First Announcement: Fifth RUFORUM Biennial Conference. 17-21 October 2016, Cape Town in South Africa](#)
- [Makerere University holds meeting to validate industry-stakeholder engagement guidelines under the PASUFONS Project funded by EU-ACP EDULINK II Program](#)
- [11th International Conference on ICT for Development, Education & Training \(eLearning Africa 2016\). 24-26, May 2016, Cairo in Egypt](#)
- [Webinar on emerging issues in transnational education, 24 May, 2016](#)
- [Agriculture, Nutrition and Health \(ANH\) Academy Week. 21-24 June 2016, Addis Ababa in Ethiopia](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- African Journal of Rural Development:
 - [Vol.1, No. 2 \(RUFORUM, 2016\)](#)
 - [Vol.1, No.1 \(RUFORUM, 2016\)](#)
- [Evaluation of Ugandan cowpea germplasm for yield and resistance to scab disease \(Afutu et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Screening soybean genotypes for promiscuous symbiotic association with Bradyrhizobium strains \(Agoyi et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Performance of dairy goats in selected regions of Botswana and the effect of improved management practices on milk yield and composition \(Dipheko, 2015\)](#)
- [Innovating with rural stakeholders in the developing world: Action research in partnership \(Faure et al, 2014\)](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- **(New)** Swedish Research Council and Sida call for research projects on [Sustainability and resilience – Tackling climate and environmental changes](#). **Deadline: 24 May, 2016**

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- [The World Academy of Sciences \(TWAS\) Research Grants 2016](#). Several research grants, mainly in the basic sciences, for researchers in the developing world. **Deadline: 31 May, 2016**
- [APPEAR call for applications for preparatory funding, academic partnership and PhD scholarship](#). **Deadline: 31 May, 2016**
- **(New)** [Fayzah M. Al-Kharafi Prize](#) to recognize women scientists in the fields of chemistry, mathematics, physics and engineering sciences. **Nomination deadline: 1 June, 2016.**
- [Africa Food Prize](#). An newly launched US\$100,000 prize for individuals and institutions who are making outstanding contributions to agriculture in Africa. **Deadline: 10 June, 2016**
- [Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme](#) to improve the skills and competences of students and staff in Higher Education Institutions in Africa. **Deadline: 15 June, 2016**
- [The African Agribusiness Incubators Network \(AAIN\) is soliciting for business ideas on agribusiness incubation](#). Investment financing will range from US\$5,000 - 50,000. **Deadline: 30 June 2016**
- [The Blue Economy Challenge](#). This AU\$3 million challenge calls for solutions that ensure sustainability of aquaculture, especially in the Indian Ocean region. **Deadline: 30 June, 2016.**
- **(New)** [The Rockefeller Foundation Cassava Innovation Challenge](#) will grant up to \$1 million to innovators with novel solutions that tackle food loss and spoilage in the cassava value chain. **Deadline: 8 July, 2016**
- [NEPAD-SANBio mobility grants to support regional and international travel and accommodation for individuals in the Biosciences field](#). **Deadline: Open till December 2018**
- [WIOMSA Marine Research Grants Programme](#). Supports young scientists to turn their ideas into research projects and present research results at various fora. **Deadline: September 2016 for research projects**. Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime

Scholarships and courses:

- [AAU small grants for graduate internships](#) for its member universities. **Deadline: 23 May, 2016**
- [Iso Lomso Fellowships](#) at the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study. For African doctoral scholars holding an academic position at a university or research institution in Africa. **Deadline: 25 May, 2016**
- [2016 OWSD PhD Fellowships](#) for women scientists from developing countries to study in a developing country outside their own. **Deadline: 31 May, 2016**
- [METEGA mobility scholarships for staff exchange](#). **Deadline: 31 January, 2018**

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- [Nestlé Foundation grants](#) for research in human nutrition in low-income and lower middle-income countries. Support includes grants for Masters and PhD projects. **Applications accepted all year round**

Calls for papers:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for short, extended abstracts and posters/exhibitions](#) for the 5th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2016. **Deadline: 30 June, 2016**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- [Call for papers for a special issue in Wageningen Journal of Life Sciences on 'Institutional diagnostics for African food security: approaches, methods and implications'](#). **Deadline for abstracts: 20 May, 2016**
- [Call for papers for 2nd Regional Conference on Knowledge Management](#) themed "Knowledge Management for Sustainable Development in Africa". **Deadline: 27 May, 2016.**
- **(New)** [Call for papers for HESPI Conference on IGAD Economies 2016 under the theme "Imperatives for Attaining the Sustainable Development Goals"](#). **Deadline for abstracts: 31 May, 2016**
- Third call for proposals for the [Food & Business Applied Research Fund \(ARF\)](#). **Deadline: 5 July, 2016 and December 6, 2016.**
- [Call for abstracts for 2nd Agriculture and Climate Change Conference](#), 26 - 28 March 2017, Spain. **Deadline: 17 October, 2016.**

Jobs:

- **(New)** Tufts University is seeking a Chief of Party for the USAID Kenya - East Africa Resilience Learning Project to be based in Nairobi, Kenya. For more information contact: Augusta.Rohrbach@tufts.edu
- **(New)** [ASARECA is seeking gender specialists in each of its member countries to participate in operationalising its gender mainstreaming policy](#). **Deadline: 20 May, 2016**
- **(New)** ILRI Vacancies: [Post-Doctoral Fellow- Gender analysis in forage research](#) and [Post-Doctoral Fellow- Gender sensitive ruminant breeding in East Africa](#). **Deadline: 27 May, 2016**
- [Access Agriculture seeks to recruit an Executive Secretary](#). **Deadline: 30 June, 2016**

FEATURED VIDEO: [The Songhai Centre in Benin: entrepreneurship development in agriculture](#)

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