

NEWS

- [Empowering young intellectuals to tackle Tanzania's agricultural development challenges – Case of Eliafie Mwanga](#)
- [Malawi launches two Africa Centers of Excellence](#)
- [Diversifying income streams in African universities](#)
- [QS subject rankings dominated by Harvard and MIT](#)
- **Event:** [The African Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services 3rd Africa Wide Agricultural Extension Week 2017, 30 October - 3 November 2017, Durban](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Improving the capacity of Agricultural Higher Education Institutions to contribute to food security: the iAGRI experience and lessons learned \(Kraybill et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Responsiveness of agricultural training curricula in African universities to labour market needs: the case of Gulu University in Uganda \(Odongo et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Identification of Resistance Sources to Wheat Stem Rust from Introduced Genotypes in Kenya \(Akello et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Raising crop productivity in Africa through intensification \(Tadele, 2017\)](#)
- [Journal of Gender, Agriculture and Food Security](#) an international open access journal published by the Africa Centre for Gender, Social Research and Impact Assessment.
- [Inclusive agribusiness: the state of play \(Woodhill, 2016\)](#)
- [Managing trade-offs between growing food and conserving forests in sub-Saharan Africa \(Franks & Hou-Jones, 2016\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Bringing together the best cross breed goats and dedicated researchers](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- [Agriculture 2017 Travel Awards for junior investigators and PhD students. **Deadline: 31 March 2017**](#)
- [Call for grant applications: Mitsubishi Corporation Fund for Europe and Africa. The MCFEA Grant Program supports research focused on environment and the alleviation of poverty. **Deadline: 31 March 2017**](#)
- [Global Biodiversity Information Facility \(GBIF\) invites the submission of concept notes for project funding from Sub-Saharan Africa. **Deadline: 9 April 2017**](#)
- [4th Call for Food & Business Global Challenges Programme focusing on scaling up climate-smart agriculture. **Deadline: Letter of intent should be submitted by 28 March 2017 and proposal by 18 April 2017**](#)
- [Call for Nominations: 2017 GCHERA World Agriculture Prize. **Deadline: 26 April 2017**](#)
- [Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme 2017 aimed at improving the skills and competences of students and staff on the continent. **Deadline: 2 May 2017**](#)

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- [The Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund 2016/2017](#) for scientists employed within African National Agricultural Research Systems. Applications will be accepted on an on-going basis **until 30 June 2017**
- [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 present research results at various fora. **Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime**
- [Pre-announcement: Joint Africa-EU LEAP-Agri call for proposals to develop scientifically based practical solutions to improve the agricultural sector and the African population food security and nutrition](#)
- [OCLC/ALISE Library & Information Science Research Grant Program \(LISRGP\) 2018 Call for Proposals](#). **Deadline: 15 September 2017**
- [Call for participation in FemBioBiz Acceleration Programme](#). Targetted at females leading a business in the Biosciences arena (human/animal nutrition & human/animal health). **Deadline: 31 March 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for nominations: Africa Food Prize](#). A US \$100,000 prize that celebrates Africans who are taking control of Africa's agriculture agenda. **Deadline: 5 June 2017**
- **(New)** [VLIR-UOS Call for projects 2018 in partnership with Flemish universities](#). **Deadline: 12 May 2017**
- **(New)** [LEAP-Agri call for proposals for African European collaborative research on Sustainable Agriculture and Aquaculture and on Food and Nutrition Security](#). **Deadline: 15 June 2017**
- **(New)** [The 2017 BCFN YES! Research Grant Competition](#) invites young PhD and postdoc researchers from any background and nationality to submit a research project on food sustainability. **Deadline: 28 June 2017**
- **(New)** [2nd Drivers of Food Choice Competitive Grants Programme](#) solicits for proposals that will provide a deep understanding of the drivers of food choice among the poor. **Deadline: 1 April 2017**

Scholarships and courses:

- **(New - RUFORUM call)** [PhD training opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program](#). Applications will be accepted throughout the year.
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for proposals for the RUFORUM Field Attachment Program Award \(FAPA\)](#). **Proposals will be accepted throughout 2017**
- [10 PhD scholarships at the Centre for Research, Agricultural Advancement, Teaching Excellence and Sustainability in Food and Nutritional Security \(CREATES\)](#). **Applications will be received till slots are filled**
- [German Academic Exchange Service \(DAAD\) postgraduate scholarships 2017-2018](#) for study of development-related subjects at German universities. **Deadlines vary by course**.
- [Arturo Falaschi ICGEB \(International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology\) Research Fellowships](#) for research in Trieste, New Delhi, and Cape Town. **Deadlines vary by course**
- [Food Security courses at the Wageningen Centre for Development Innovation in 2017](#). Fellowships available. **Deadline: Varied by course**
- [TWAS-DFG Cooperation Visits Programme](#). Supports postdoctoral researchers from Sub-Saharan Africa, including South Africa, to visit to institutes in Germany for up to 3 months. **Deadline: 31 March 2017**.
- [IPBO and VIB-UGent course on "Modern breeding techniques of maize"](#), 21 August– 8 September 2017. Scholarships available for selected African countries. **Scholarship application deadline: April 15th 2017**
- [International Plant Nutrition Institute \(IPNI\) Scholar Awards 2017](#). Awards of US\$2,000 for graduate students in sciences relevant to plant nutrition and management of crop nutrients. **Deadline: 28 April 2017**
- [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

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Calls for papers

- **(RUFORUM call)** Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- **(New)** The call for papers for the "Symposium on Climate Change and Droughts Resilience in Africa", 16-18 October, Nairobi. **Deadline for submission of abstracts: 30 March 2017**
- **(New)** Call for paper and poster submissions for 3rd Africa Wide Agricultural Extension Week 2017. **Deadline: 24 March 2017**
- **(New)** Call for papers for symposium on Universities and climate change: the role of climate change research and projects in fostering climate action, 12 - 13 December 2017, London. **Deadline: 20 April 2017**
- Call for papers for the Twenty Third Standing Conference of Eastern, Central and Southern Africa Library and Information Associations (SCECSAL XXIII), Kampala, 23 – 28 April 2018. **Deadline: 30 April 2017**
- Call for abstracts for 3rd International Conference on Global Food Security, 8-11 October 2017, Cape Town, South Africa. **Deadline: 5 May 2017**
- Call for submission of abstracts for Annual Conference of the Pan African Society for Agricultural Engineering, 19-21 November 2017 in Nairobi. **Deadline: 15 May 2017**

WEBINARS

8th ADEA-WGHE-AAU Webinar on Promoting TVET for African Higher Education, **30th March 2017 at 12:00GMT**

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