

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Positioning academia to respond to Africa's growing demand through skills development – The African Economic Platform](#)
- [Creating change agents through student-community engagement](#)
- [RUFORUM Impact platform goes live - Connect with us by sharing your story](#)
- [New data creates world's largest university ranking](#)
- **Events:**
 - [IV International Symposium on Postharvest Pathology](#), 28 May – 3 June 2017, Kruger National Park
 - [3rd International Conference on Global Food Security](#), 3-6 December 2017, Cape Town
- **RUFORUM Survey:** [Take a 5 min RUFORUM Communication Survey to help us serve you better!](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [First record of parasitoids associated with the invasive coconut whitefly in Inhambane Province, Mozambique \(Kityo, Cugala & Nampala, 2017\)](#)
- [Potential of native rhizobia in enhancing nitrogen fixation and yields of climbing beans \(Phaseolus vulgaris L.\) in contrasting environments of Eastern Kenya \(Koskey et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Women leadership in higher education and their role in economic empowerment: Proceedings of the Forum for African Women Vice Chancellors \(FAWoVC\) \(Imbuga et al \[eds.\], 2016\)](#)
- [Synthesis report: review of successful scaling of agricultural technologies \(Kohl, Foy & Zodrow, 2017\)](#)
- [Reaping richer returns: public spending priorities for African agriculture productivity growth \(Goyal & Nash, 2017\)](#)
- [Higher Education In the World Report 6: Toward a socially responsible university \(2017\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Managing aflatoxins in groundnuts during drying and storage](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- [Global Biodiversity Information Facility \(GBIF\) invites the submission of concept notes for project funding from Sub-Saharan Africa. **Deadline: 9 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**
- [VLIR-UOS Call for projects 2018 in partnership with Flemish universities. **Deadline: 12 May 2017**](#)
- **(New)** [Call for use-inspired research tackling global challenges to the benefit of the most vulnerable people in Low- and Middle-Income Countries \(LMICs\). **Deadline: 23 May 2017**](#)
- [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**](#)

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- [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**
- [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**
- [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**
- **(New)** [IMPRESSA Awards 2017](#). RUFORUM award recognizing outstanding university scientists contributing to agricultural Research and Science for Development in Africa. **Nomination deadline: 31 July 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for Geodata for Agriculture and Water \(G4AW\) Facility 2017-2018](#). **Deadline: 14 September 2017**
- [OCLC/ALISE Library & Information Science Research Grant Program \(LISRGP\) 2018 Call for Proposals](#). **Deadline: 15 September 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

Scholarships and courses:

- **(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**
- [Call for Postgraduate students admission at the Africa Centre of Excellence in Aquaculture and Fisheries Science \(AquaFish\)](#). Limited scholarships available. **Deadline: 10 April 2017**
- **(New)** [Free online training in scholarly writing for proposals and scientific papers by AuthorAID](#). Course runs from 18 April-12 June 2017. **Deadline for enrolment: 18 April 2017**
- **(New)** [Msc and Phd courses at the Africa Center of Excellence for Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Conservation, Haramaya University](#). Scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** [Free e-learning course on "Experience capitalization for continuous learning" by FAO](#)
- [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: 15 April 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**



Calls for Papers

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- [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. **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**
- **(New)** [Call for papers: 19th International Conference on Grey Literature: Public awareness and access to grey literature](#), October 23-24, Rome. **Deadline: 15 April 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the 3rd AFAAS/African-Wide Agric Extension Week, Durban 2017](#). **Deadline: 7 April 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for papers for 3rd International Conference on Global Food Security](#), 3-6 December 2017, Cape Town. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for papers for the 3rd Africa Regional Conference on Knowledge Management, Nairobi](#). **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** [First call for papers to be presented at the 3rd Annual International Conference of the African Association for the Study of Indigenous Knowledge Systems \(AASIKS\)](#), Johannesburg, 26-28 October 2017

JOBS

- **(New)** [Pro Vice Chancellor, Innovations and Business Development at the University of Zimbabwe](#). **Deadline: 28 April 2017**
- **(New)** [CDAIS Communications Developer](#). This position is home-based. **Deadline: 19 April 2017**

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