

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Social media: changing African universities](#)
- [Strengthening science, technology and innovation in Africa](#)
- [LUANAR optimistic to benefit from RUFORUM](#)
- [Political will, the missing domino?](#)
- [Super-rich Africans – A source of university funding?](#)
- **Event:** [3rd Annual International Conference of the African Association for the Study of Indigenous Knowledge Systems, 2-4 November 2017](#), Johannesburg

PUBLICATIONS

- [RUFORUM quarterly report for the period January-March 2017 \(RUFORUM, 2017\)](#)
- [Effect of phosphorus deficiency on phenolics and antioxidants content of two African nightshade varieties grown in Kenya \(Ogembo et al, 2017\)](#)
- [A guide to SDG interactions: from science to implementation \(International Council for Science, 2017\)](#)
- [A new emerging rural world: an overview of rural change in Africa \(NEPAD, 2016\)](#)
- [Continental Education Strategy for Africa 2016-2025 \(African Union, 2015\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [RUFORUM: an African success story](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [IMPRESSA Awards 2017](#). RUFORUM award recognizing outstanding university scientists contributing to agricultural Research and Science for Development in Africa. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
- [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**.
- [Best Climate Practices Contest 2017](#). The theme for this year's contest is "Building local resilience to climate disaster risk". **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- [Food Sustainability Media Award](#) for journalists from around the world reporting on food security, sustainable agriculture, and nutrition. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** [BioInnovate Africa call for concept notes for creating value for smallholder farming communities through sustainable bioinnovations](#). Open to East African countries. **Deadline: 2 June 2017**
- [BioInnovate Africa Phase II call for concept notes for creating value for smallholder farming communities through sustainable bioinnovations](#). Limited to eastern Africa. **Deadline: 2 June 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**
- [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**

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- 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)** Global Development Awards Competition 2017. Six researchers or development practitioners from low or middle-income countries will stand the chance to win up to US\$30,000. **Deadline: 16 July 2017**
- Best Sweet Potato Scientific Paper Award – 2017 Edition. **Deadline: 30 July 2017**
- **(New)** Toyota Foundation call for proposals for joint or individual research grants beginning in May 2018. Open to all areas of research and persons of all nationalities. **Deadline: 8 September 2017**
- 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)** Staff Exchange Fellowship at the Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources. **Deadline: 30th June 2017**
- **(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**
- The Association of African Universities (AAU) Graduate Internship Grant. Small grants of up to US\$600 per student for graduate internships for students in AAU member universities. **Deadline: 23 May 2017**
- **(New)** GFAR webinar on Farmers' rights: achieving complementarity between the informal and formal seed systems, **30 May 2017. Register now**
- PhD studies at the African Center of Excellence in Internet of Things (ACEIoT), University of Rwanda. Scholarships available for eligible students from Eastern and Southern Africa. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- MSc and PhD studies at the Africa Center of Excellence for Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Conservation. Scholarships available for students from Eastern and Southern Africa. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- PhD Training Fellowships for Women Scientists from 66 developing countries. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- Pan African University call for applications for the 2017/2018 academic year. The African Union Commission will offer full scholarships to successful African candidates. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- PhD scholarships at Centre for Research, Agricultural Advancement, Teaching Excellence and Sustainability in Food and Nutritional Security (CREATES), Tanzania. **Applications will be received till slots are filled**
- GREAT course in gender-responsive cereal grain breeding for small, interdisciplinary teams of researchers from sub-Saharan Africa. Partial funding support is available. **Deadline: 9 June 2017**
- Intra-Africa Mobility program MoBreed: Applications invited for MSc and PhD in Orphan Crops breeding. **Deadline: 10 June 2017**
- **(New)** OWSD PhD training fellowships for women scientists from science and technology lagging countries. **Deadline: 19 June 2017**
- International Tropical Timber Organization Fellowships 2017. Eligible African countries include Benin, Cameroon, DR Congo, Ghana, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali and Mozambique. **Deadline: 20 Jun 2017**

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- [LEARN Postdoctoral Fellowship in Livestock Emissions Research](#). Support for an emerging scientist from a developing country to complete a research project in New Zealand. **Deadline: 30 June 2017**
- **(New)** [IWC scholarships to study Master of Integrated Water Management in Brisbane, Australia starting 1 September 2018](#). **Deadline: 1 August 2017**
- [Scholarships to study courses in Chinese universities in the 2017/2018 Academic Year](#). **Deadlines vary**
- [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. **Deadlines vary by course**
- [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

- **(New)** [Call for papers for special issue of the African Journal of Rural Development on “Multi-stakeholder Research & Innovation Platforms in Agricultural Research for Development”](#). **Deadline: 15 July 2017**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the VII International Conference on Managing Quality in Chains and the II International Symposium on Ornamentals, Stellenbosch](#). **Extended deadline: 29 May 2017**
- [Call for papers for 3rd International Conference on Global Food Security, 3-6 December 2017, Cape Town](#). **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- [Call for papers for 3rd Africa Regional Conference on Knowledge Management, Nairobi](#). **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- [Call for papers for the 3rd Annual International Conference of the African Association for the Study of Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Johannesburg](#). **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the Third Annual FLARE \(Forests and Livelihoods: Assessment, Research, and Engagement\) Network Meeting, Stockholm](#). **Deadline: 10 June 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for AflaNet Conference, 9 October 2017 in Nairobi](#). **Deadline: 15 June 2017**
- [Call for abstracts for oral and poster presentations for the International Colloquium for Scientific Exchange on Cashew \(CIESA\) from 26 to 28 September 2017 in Abidjan](#). **Deadline: 30 June 2017**
- [Call for abstract submission for the 22nd AAIS \(African Association of Insect Scientists\) Meeting and Scientific Conference, 23-26 October 2017, Wad Medani](#). **Deadline: 30 June 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for papers and workshop proposals for the 4th International Association of Agricultural Information Specialists \(IAALD\) – Africa Conference 2018, Pretoria](#). **Deadline: 30 September 2017**

JOB

- **(New)** [Wageningen University & Research - PhD position on the Traveling of Framed Facts and Uncertainties \(TOFU\) Project](#). **Deadline: 28 May 2017**.
- **(New)** Positions at CTA, Wageningen:
 - [Social Media Intern](#). **Deadline: 10 June 2017**
 - [Senior Communications Coordinator](#). **Deadline: 15 June 2017**
 - [Web Content Manager](#). **Deadline extended until 31 May 2017**

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- **(New)** [Data Systems and Visualization Specialist at ILRI, Addis Ababa](#). **Deadline: 12 June 2017**

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