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- [Probiotic viability and storage stability of yoghurt enriched with baobab pulp \(*Adansonia digitata*\) \(Aluko, 2017\)](#)
- [Partnership construction and value co-creation to address voids in rice production: the case of rice value chains in Uganda \(Rugema, Kibwika & Sseguya, 2017\)](#)
- [A comprehensive overview of investments and human resource capacity in African agricultural research. \(Beintema & Stads, 2017\)](#)
- [Agricultural Leasing Market Scoping Study for Sub-Saharan Africa \(FSD Africa, 2017\)](#)
- [New publications and capacity building materials on the use of rainwater for off-season small-scale irrigation in arid and semi-arid areas of sub-Saharan Africa \(AFRHINET\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Partnering with universities for a sustainable food system in Africa](#)

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**
- **(New)** The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) invites nomination for the following prizes:
 - [TWAS Regional Prize 2017: Public Understanding and Popularization of Science](#). **Deadline: 20 June 2017**
 - [TWAS-C.N.R. Rao Prize for Scientific Research](#) for TWAS Fellows from the world's Least Developed Countries who have contributed to global science. **Deadline: 26 June 2017**
 - [TWAS-Atta-ur-Rahman Prize in Chemistry](#) for chemists under the age of 40 from a developing country. **Deadline: 26 June 2017**
 - [TWAS-Fayzah M. Al-Kharafi Prize](#) for women scientists in the medical sciences. **Deadline: 10 July 2017**
 - [TWAS-Samira Omar Innovation for Sustainability Prize](#) for a female scientist in the field of conservation and management of natural resources. **Deadline: 10 July 2017**
 - [TWAS-Abdool Karim Prize](#) for women scientists in the biological sciences. **Deadline: 10 July 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**
- 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**
- 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

- **(New - RUFORUM call)** PhD training opportunities at the African Center of Excellence for Oil Field Chemicals Research (CEFOR) University of Port Harcourt, Nigeria. **Deadline: 30 June 2017**
- **(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**
- **(New)** Call for Postdoctoral, PhD and MPhil/MSc research fellowships at SACIDS Africa Centre of Excellence for Infectious Diseases of Humans and Animals in Southern and Eastern Africa. **Deadline: 28 July 2017**
- Call for PhD Studies at the African Center of Excellence in Energy for Sustainable Development (ACEESD), University of Rwanda. Scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 July 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**
- International Tropical Timber Organization Fellowships 2017. Eligible African countries include Benin, Cameroon, DR Congo, Ghana, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali and Mozambique. **Deadline: 20 June 2017**
- SANBio Winter School on Indigenous Knowledge Systems commercialisation, 31 July - 3 August 2017, Gaborone. Travel and accommodation costs will be covered for a limited number of applicants. **Deadline: 27 June 2017**
- 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**
- IWC scholarships to study Master of Integrated Water Management in Brisbane, Australia starting 1 September 2018. **Deadline: 1 August 2017**
- **(New)** TWAS Fellowship for Research and Advanced Training. For young scientists in developing countries to spend 3-12 months at a research institution in another developing country. **Deadline: 1 October 2017**
- Scholarships to study courses in Chinese universities in the 2017/2018 Academic Year. **Deadlines vary**

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- [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

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for papers for special issue of African Journal of Rural Development: “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**
- [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 abstracts 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 for the 8th ANIE Annual Conference on the theme “Higher Education in Africa: New Regional and Global Dynamics”, 4-6 October 2017, Kigali](#). **Deadline: 15 July 2017**
- [Call for papers and workshop proposals for the 4th International Association of Agricultural Information Specialists \(IAALD\) – Africa Conference 2018, Pretoria](#). **Deadline: 30 September 2017**

WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

- **(New) e-Forum on “ICTs and Open Data in Agriculture and Nutrition”, 19 June - 14 July 2017**
- **(New)** [USAID two-day online exchange on “Food Safety in Developing Countries: Research Gaps and Opportunities, 20-21 June 2017](#)
- **(New)** [The Water Learning Network webinar on “Applying the QUICKScan tool in Intelligent Water Management”, 21 June 2017](#)
- **(New)** [GFAR webinar on “Beyond Decision Making: Foresight as a Process for Improving Attitude Towards Change”, 27 June 2017](#)
- **(New)** [FAO webinar on “Developing Capacities to Access and Use AGORA: Experience and Lessons from Africa and Asia”, 29 June 2017](#)

JOBS

- **(New)** [RUFORUM Vacancy: Manager Information & Technology](#). **Deadline: 31 August, 2017**
- **(New)** [ILRI vacancy: Instructional Design Specialist](#) to be based in Nairobi. **Deadline: 26 June 2017**
- **(New)** [ILRI vacancy: Head, Communications and Knowledge Management](#). **Deadline: 30 June 2017**

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