

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Inspiration from Malawi aquaculture research: My passion for fish brought to reality](#)
- [Media Monitoring: Extract of Press News on Higher Education in Africa - Issue 7 and Issue 8](#)
- [Scaling up global higher education – The viable option](#)
- [Mature student admissions in African universities should reflect modern life](#)
- [Indian government fee waivers bid to draw top students from Asia, Africa](#)
- **Events:**
 - [AAU workshop on Research Communication and Commercialisation, 15 -17 May 2018, Accra](#)
 - [14th African Dairy Conference and Exhibition, 20-24 August 2018, Nairobi](#)
 - [6th International Pan African Fish and Fisheries Association \(PAFFA\) Conference, 24-28 September 2018, Mangochi, Malawi](#)
 - [7th Quadrennial All Africa Conference on Animal Agriculture, 15-19 October 2018, Accra](#)
 - [IAUA Golden Jubilee International Conference: Agricultural Education - Sharing Global Experiences, 23-25 November 2018, New Delhi](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [RUFORUM Quarterly Report for the Period January-March 2018 \(RUFORUM, 2018\)](#)
- [A situational analysis of regional investments, policies, legislation and advocacy efforts on food-based approaches to combating micro-nutrient deficiency in sub-Saharan Africa: focus on bio-fortification \(Omari, 2018\)](#)
- [Formulation of infant foods fortified with baobab \(*Adansonia digitata*\) fruit pulp and/or moringa \(*Moringa oleifera*\) leaf powder for under-five-years old children in Benin \(Affonfere, 2018\)](#)
- [Relative performance of popular coding structures for contrasts analysis \(Sero, 2018\)](#)
- [Internal quality assurance: enhancing higher education quality and graduate employability \(Martin \[ed.\], 2018\)](#)
- [Adoption and impact of OER in the Global South \(Hodgkinson-Williams & Arinto, 2017\)](#)
- [Member-specific characteristics affecting capacity of farmer organisations in promoting fish farming: case of Dowa and Mchinji districts in Malawi \(Njera et al, 2016\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Hydroponic fodder](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **TWAS prizes:**
 - [TWAS—C.N.R. Rao Award for Scientific Research](#). Honours TWAS Fellows from the Least Developed Countries, who have made significant contributions to global science. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
 - [TWAS Medal Lectures](#). Awarded to TWAS members, in recognition of their achievements in their fields of research. The recipients lecture on a main aspect of their work. **Deadline: Open**
 - [Abdus Salam Medal](#). Awarded to highly distinguished personalities who have served the cause of science in the Developing World. No limit on age, country or field. **Deadline: Open**
- [DAAD Journalistic Scholarship for African nationals](#). Selected candidates will meet with geo-scientists to get in contact with the latest methods of modern geoscientific research. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [UNFCC Momentum for Change 2018](#) invites the submission of innovative, scalable, and replicable examples of what people around the world are doing to address climate change. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [Michigan State University/Alliance for African Partnership \(AAP\)](#). Seeks proposals for partnership activities which directly address AAP's Transforming Institutions pillar. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [BMCE Bank of Africa — African Entrepreneurship Award 2018](#). Submissions are invited from for-profit businesses managed by Africans who are at least 18 years old. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**

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- GCHERA World Agriculture Prize 2018. Two prizes will be awarded, with at least one awarded to a person from a country not listed as a country with a developed economy. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Grand Challenges Explorations grant opportunities from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. **Deadline: 2 May 2018**
 - Affordable, accessible, and appealing: the next generation of nutrition
 - Tools and technologies for broad-scale disease surveillance of crop plants in low-income countries
- The UNESCO-Japan Prize on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD). Honours outstanding projects by individuals, institutions and organizations related to ESD. **Deadline: 3 May 2018**
- **(New)** Thought For Food 2018 Global Challenge. Open to everyone under the age of 35. **Deadline: 4 May 2018**
- GODAN (Global Open Data for Agriculture and Nutrition) Action Training Mini Grants. For trainers who would like to help build the capacity and diversity of open data users and intermediaries. Grants will be provided for up to eight (8) winning training workshop proposals of GBP2,000. **Deadline: 7 May 2018**
- **(New)** USAID grant: Science, Technology, Innovation, and Partnerships in Higher Education Program Agency for International Development. **Deadline for concept notes: 11 May 2018**
- TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences (Individuals). Awarded to promising high-level research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by individual scientists. **Deadline: 11 May 2018**
- TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences (Groups). Awarded to promising high-level research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by research units. **Deadline: 11 May 2018**
- **(New)** Pitch AgriHack 2018. A competition to support young agricultural entrepreneurs to build viable businesses and boost innovation for a more sustainable agricultural sector. **Deadline: 21 May 2018**
- African Union Research Grants II Open Call for Proposals 2018 Edition. The call supports research on: Food, Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture (FNSSA). **Deadline: 22 May 2018**
- NORPART call for applications 2018. Funding opportunity for long-term projects between higher education institutions in Norway and selected developing countries. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
- **(New)** The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation calls for proposals on: 1) Innovations in city region food systems that can reach millions of people living in poverty and 2) Ecologically sustainable water management for food security and nutrition in agriculture and food systems. **Deadline: 11 June 2018**
- 2018 BCFN YES! Research Grant Competition invites young PhD and postdoc researchers to submit a research project to improve the sustainability of the food system. **Deadline: 14 June 2018**
- **(New)** APSA Challenge Science and Technology – Ethiopia 2018: Technologies for Sustainable Development. African scientists working in Africa are eligible to participate. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
- 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 - Travel Grant. 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**
- Free e-learning courses from FAO
- AfricaLics PhD visiting fellowship focused on innovation and development. For PhD students from universities in Africa to undertake a 5-month study at Aalborg University, Denmark. **Deadline: 26 April 2018**
- Future Africa Early Career Research Leader Fellowship 2018. Post-doctoral fellowship on the African bioeconomy. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Mandela Institute for Development Studies (MINDS) 2018/2019 scholarship for leadership development. For Africans who wish to pursue post-graduate studies within Africa, outside of their own countries
- John Allwright Fellowship 2018. For university post-graduate studies in Australia who are citizens of ACIAR's priority partner countries. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- MSc and PhD scholarships at the Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Agriculture and Agribusiness Management (CESAAM) hosted at Egerton University in Kenya. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Mwalimu Nyerere African Union Scholarship Scheme 2018. For female applicants only for masters and PhD programmes in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). **Deadline: 30 April 2018**

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- [International Training Course on Organic Agriculture: People, knowledge and food systems](#), 10 July – 2 August 2018, Uganda. **Deadline: 3 May 2018**
- [Master's and PhD research scholarships at the Africa Center of Excellence in Materials, Product Development and Nanotechnology \(MAPRONANO\) hosted by Makerere University](#). The scholarship will support research costs for students in the fields of Engineering and/or Health Sciences. **Deadline: 4 May 2018**
- [OFID scholarships 2018/2019](#). For young students from developing countries to undertake graduate studies in a development-related discipline from any recognized university in the world. **Deadline: 4 May 2018**
- [PhD position at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences on the project Improved disease control by community participation - the case of African swine fever in northern Uganda](#)". **Deadline: 4 May 2018**
- **(New)** [JIRCAS Visiting Research Fellowship Program 2018](#). For researchers in developing countries to collaborate with Japanese counterparts in agriculture, forestry, and fisheries. **Deadline: 8 May 2018**
- **(New)** [Force11 Scholarly Communications Institute](#) to be held 30 July – 3 August 2018 in San Diego, California. Scholarships available for tuition and travel. **Deadline: 11 May 2018**
- [Ignacy Łukasiewicz Scholarships](#). Masters scholarships in Poland for recent bachelor's degree graduates or those in the final year of their undergraduate degree in areas including technical sciences, agricultural, forestry and veterinary sciences. Open to selected countries in Africa. **Deadline: 11 May 2018**
- [CODATA-RDA Research Data Science Summer School and Advanced Workshops, Trieste, Italy 2018](#). There is no registration fee. Some support for travel and accommodation is available. **Deadline 21 May 2018**
- [GENES mobility grant for MSc and PhD studies in plant genomics](#). Open to all students from any of the partner universities and to students from other African universities. **Deadline: 30 May 2018**
- [IDRC Doctoral Research Awards 2018](#). Open to Canadians, permanent residents of Canada, and citizens of developing countries pursuing doctoral studies at a Canadian university. **Deadline: 30 May 2018**
- [MSc and PhD programmes at the Africa Centre of Excellence for Water Management \(ACEWM\) at Addis Ababa University](#). Limited partial and full scholarships available. **Deadline: 30 May 2018**
- [CICOPS Scholarships 2019](#). 10 scholarships for researchers from developing countries to study for a period of 4-12 weeks at the University of Pavia, Italy. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
- **(New)** [Commonwealth Distance Learning Scholarships](#) to support distance learning Master's degree courses. Applicants must be permanently resident in a developing Commonwealth country. **Deadline: 20 June 2018**
- [NAWA development assistance for Sub-Saharan Africa](#). Offers places in higher education institutions in Poland without any fees. **Deadline: 15 July 2018**
- **(New)** [Sofja Kovalevskaja Award for young research talents](#). Junior academics of all disciplines from abroad, who completed their doctorates within the last six years, are eligible apply. Award winners receive up to €1.65 million each. **Deadline: 31 July 2018**
- [Master of Science in Tropical Animal Health](#) offered by the Institute of Tropical Medicine of Antwerp and University of Pretoria. Scholarships available for developing country applicants. **Deadline: 15 August 2018**
- **(New)** [UNFCCC-UNU Early Career Climate Fellowship Programme](#). For young people from developing countries. Fellowships may last from six months to two years. **Deadline: 16 August 2018**
- **(New)** [Early Career Women Scientists \(ECWS\) Fellowships](#). For women who have completed their PhDs in STEM subjects and are employed at an academic or scientific research institute. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- [UNU-WIDER Visiting PhD Fellowship](#). Opportunity for doctoral students to utilize the facilities at UNU-WIDER for their PhD dissertation or thesis research. **Deadline: 30 September 2018**
- **(New)** [Leibniz-Institute of Freshwater Ecology and Inland Fisheries Fellowship in Freshwater Science](#). Fellowships for PhD students, postdocs and senior scientists for 6-24 months. **Deadline: 1 December 2018**
- [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 research application summaries/extended abstracts and posters for the RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2018](#). **Deadline: 31 July 2018**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- [Call for manuscripts for publication in the Makerere University Journal of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences](#). Volume 8(1) is scheduled for publication by the end of June 2018.

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- **(New)** [Call for papers and posters for the 7th Quadrennial All Africa Conference on Animal Agriculture](#), 15-19 October 2018, Accra. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [Call for Papers for the 5th International Conference on Technology & Management](#). Hosted by the Uganda Technology and Management University, 6-7 August 2018, Kampala. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the International APIMONDIA Symposium 2018 on the 'Role of Bees in Food Production'](#), 30 November - 4 December 2018, Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the 1st Africa Conference on Evidence to Action \(E2A\)](#), 25 - 27 July 2018, Nairobi. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [Call for papers and posters for the 7th All African Conference on Animal Agriculture \(7th AACAA\)](#), 15-19 October 2018, Accra. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the First "Revolution in Food and Biomass Production \(REFAB\)" Conference](#), 1-2 October 2018, Cologne
- [Call for Abstracts for the 2nd International Conference on Food Safety and Security](#), 15 – 17 October 2018, Pretoria. **Deadline: 2 May 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the International Conference on Sustainable Agricultural and Natural Resource Management under Changing Climate in Sub Saharan Africa](#), 16-18 October 2018, Lilongwe. **Deadline: 15 May 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for submission of abstracts to the international Congress FOOD 2030: Towards sustainable agri-food systems at the University of Hohenheim, Germany](#), 5-6 September 2018. **Deadline: 18 May 2018**
- [Call for conference abstracts & posters for SciDataCon-IDW 2018](#) on the theme, 'The Digital Frontiers of Global Science'. The conference will take place on 5-8 November in Gaborone. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the International Conference on Sustainability Research and Transformation](#), 6-8 February 2019 in Lüneburg, Germany. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the 8th Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference \(ANEC VIII\)](#), 1–5 October 2018, Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
- [The International Journal of Agricultural Resources, Governance and Ecology](#), welcomes papers on climate change and agriculture, especially from developing countries (Africa in particular)

WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

- [FAO/Grameen Foundation Webinar: 'FarmerLink in the Philippines: Digital Innovation for Agriculture'](#), 25 April 2018
- **(New)** [FAO/ITOCA webinar: AGRIS for Agricultural Information Users](#), 4 May 2018
- **(New)** [Free, live webinar on General Linear Mixed Models](#), 26 April 2018
- **(New)** [Future Climate for Africa webinar: Understanding Capacity Needs of African National Meteorological and Hydrological Agencies](#), 2 May 2018
- **(New)** [GFAR/GODAN/CTA webinar: Data and agri-food systems: past, present and future](#), 10 May 2018

JOBS

- **(New)** [ILRI Consultancy: Sustainable Rangeland Management Project, Tanzania](#). **Deadline: 4 May 2018**

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