

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [\[Issue 10 and 11\] Media Monitoring: Extract of Press News on Higher Education in Africa](#)
- [Gulu University Vice Chancellor pays a courtesy call to RUFORUM Secretariat](#)
- [Private sector and academia: Where is the intersection point?](#)
- [Uganda progresses towards an open data policy](#)
- **Events:**
 - [6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi](#)
 - [IEEE Open Innovations Conference 2018, 3-5 October 2018, Johannesburg](#)
 - [WACCI International Conference on Food and Nutrition Security in Africa, 3-4 October 3-4, 2018, Accra](#)
 - [2018 International Plant Biotechnology Outreach \(IPBO\) Conference, 30-31 August 2018, Ghent, Belgium](#)
 - [1st All Africa Congress on Synthetic Pesticides, Environment, Human and Animal Health, 18-20 June 2019, Ibadan, Nigeria](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Youth in agricultural cooperatives - Challenges and opportunities \(Flink, Vaast & Jacobs, 2018\)](#)
- [Challenges and opportunities for regional capacity building for sustainable natural resource management and agricultural productivity under changing climate: A case of South Sudan \(Kyamanywa et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Socio-economic factors affecting adoption of climate smart agriculture technologies in Malawi \(Nyengere et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Economic efficiency of rice production in smallholder irrigation schemes in Southern Malawi \(Magreta et al, 2016\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Good storing and conserving maize grain](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **(New - RUFORUM call)** [RUFORUM Young African Entrepreneurs Competition 2018](#). Open to African entrepreneurs and incubatees below 35 years of age. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- 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**
- [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**

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- Fall army worm tech prize. For digital tools and approaches that provide information to enable smallholder farmers to identify, treat, and track incidence of fall armyworm in Africa. **Deadline: 14 May 2018**
- 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**
- Call for Nominations for the 2018 TWAS Young Affiliates. For researchers from developing nations who have at least 10 international publications. **Deadline: 31 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**
- SDC calls for proposals on: 1) Innovations in city region food systems 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**
- 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
- 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. 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**
- School of Data 2018 Fellowship Programme, May 2018 - January 2019. 8 positions available including one each in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi and Tanzania. **Deadline: 6 May 2018**
- 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**
- Call for PhD and MSc applications at the Africa Center of Excellence for Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Conservation at Haramaya University. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**

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- [NAWA development assistance for Sub-Saharan Africa](#). Offers places in higher education institutions in Poland without any fees. **Deadline: 15 July 2018**
- [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**
- [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**
- [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)** [OWSD Early Career Women Scientists Fellowship](#). For women who have completed their PhDs in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- [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.
- [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**
- [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 papers for the 4th Africa Regional Conference on Knowledge Management](#). **Deadline: 15 June 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for papers for the 14th International Digital Curation Conference](#), 4-7 February 2019, Melbourne. **Deadline: papers and lightning talks -18 June 2018; events -31 July 2018; posters -30 September 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 Africa
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the WACCI International Conference on Food and Nutrition Security in Africa](#), 3-4 October 3-4, 2018, University of Ghana. **Deadline: July 27, 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for papers for IEEE Open Innovations Conference 2018](#), 3-5 October 2018, Johannesburg. **Deadline: 31 July 2018**

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WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

(New) [Landscape transformation: what does power have to do with it?](#), 11 May 2018

JOBS

- [Executive Secretary at Association for Strengthening of Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa \(ASARECA\)](#). Applicant must be a national of an ASARECA member country. **Deadline: 18 May 2018**
- **(New)** [Visiting Youth and Gender Specialist at AgReach, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign](#). **Deadline: 18 May 2018**

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