

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [\[Issue 13 and 14\] Media Monitoring Extract for Higher Education news in Africa](#)
- [Creating youth employment and food security in my community](#)
- [Ugandan parliamentarians engage with academia to discuss lifelong learning for farmers](#)
- [Sub-Saharan Africa to receive £25M in new programme aimed at early career scientists](#)
- [Are high-stakes exams useful to the learning process?](#)
- **Events:**
 - **(RUFORUM event)** [6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi](#)
 - [Sixth International Conference of the Pan-African Fish and Fisheries Association, 24-28 September 2018 in Mangochi, Malawi](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Genetic characterization and diversity of Rhizobium isolated from root nodules of mid-altitude climbing bean \(*Phaseolus vulgaris* L.\) Varieties \(Koskey et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Efficient plant regeneration protocol for finger millet \[*Eleusine coracana* \(L.\) Gaertn.\] via somatic embryogenesis \(Ngetich et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Impact of Integrated Agricultural Research for Development Guidelines on smallholders' livelihoods in SSA CP innovation platforms. A revised edition \(Olarinde & Fatunbi, 2018\)](#)
- [Pathways for improved nutrition in Zambia: Lessons from pro- vitamin a rich maize innovation platform \(Chomba et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Global Education Monitoring Report Summary 2017/8: Accountability in education: Meeting our commitments \(UNESCO, 2017\)](#)
- [Application of morpho-anatomical traits of maize plant to quality control and quality assurance in maize seed system \(Monir et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Effect of cropping systems on accumulation of Fusarium head blight of wheat inocula in crop residues and soils \(Njeru et al, 2016\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Managing bacterial leaf blight in rice](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **(RUFORUM call)** [RUFORUM Young African Entrepreneurs Competition 2018 is now open](#). Open to African entrepreneurs and incubatees below 35 years of age. Deadline: 31 August 2018
- TWAS prizes:
 - **(New)** [Call for Nominations for the 2018 TWAS Young Affiliates](#). Nominees must have at least 10 international publications in peer reviewed journals. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
 - [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**
 - **(New)** [TWAS Fellowships for Research and Advanced Training](#). To enable young scientists in developing countries spend 3-12 months at a research institution in a developing country other than their own. **Deadline: 1 October 2018**

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- [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**
- [African Union Research Grants II Open Call for Proposals 2018 Edition](#). Supports research on: Food, Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture (FNSSA). **New deadline: 31 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**
- **(New)** [Wellcome and the World Health Organization seek early-career researchers for an expert consultation on nutrition science](#). A limited number of fully funded places available. **Deadline: 4 June 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**
- **(New)** [Future Leaders – African Independent Researchers \(FLAIR\) Fellowships](#). For African early career researchers in the field of natural sciences with potential to become leaders. **Deadline: 20 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**
- **(New)** [Nomination to the African Academy of Sciences Affiliates Membership Programme](#). Targets African nationals aged 40 years or below, employed in higher education or research institutions and have obtained their PhD within the last five years. **Deadline: 4 July 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](#)
- **(New)** [Free online course on Artificial Intelligence from University of Helsinki](#). Open to anyone, anywhere
- [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)** [IUCEA call for applications for master's fellowships for young talented female scientists](#). Applicants must be a national of one of the ACE II participating countries or Burundi. **Deadline: 4 June 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**
- [NAWA development assistance for Sub-Saharan Africa](#). Offers places in higher education institutions in Poland without any fees. **Deadline: 15 July 2018**
- [The African Center for Agro-Ecology and Livelihood Systems \(ACALISE\) hosted at Uganda Martyrs University invites applications for 10 PhD and 108 MSc scholarships](#). **Deadline: 16 July 2018**

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- [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**
- [OWSD Early Career Women Scientists \(ECWS\) 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 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**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the Sixth International Conference of the Pan-African Fish and Fisheries Association](#), 24-28 September 2018 in Mangochi, Malawi. **Deadline: 1 June 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for e-posters for the Science Forum South Africa \(SFSA\)](#), 13-14 December 2018 in Gaborone. **Deadline: 8 June 2018**
- [Call for papers for the 4th Africa Regional Conference on Knowledge Management](#). **Deadline: 15 June 2018**
- [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.
- [Call for abstracts for the WACCI International Conference on Food and Nutrition Security in Africa](#), 3-4 October 2018, University of Ghana. **Deadline: 27 July 2018**
- [Call for papers for IEEE Open Innovations Conference 2018](#), 3-5 October 2018, Johannesburg. **Deadline: 31 July 2018**

WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

- Future Climate for Africa webinar: [Micro e-learning course on Expert and Government Review of the IPCC Assessment reports](#). The course will consist of three one-hour webinars on 5, 7 and 19 June 2018

JOBS

- **(New)** [Senior Intellectual Property Officer at the University of Cape Town](#). **Deadline: 24 May 2018**

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- Digital Communications Officer at the Southern African Research and Innovation Management Association (SARIMA), Pretoria. **Deadline: 24 May 2018**
- **(New)** CIRAD: Management Science Researcher Specialised in Digital Agriculture for the support of the agroecological transition. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
- **(New)** African Fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership (AFAP): Soil Fertility and Plant Nutrition Expert Volunteer to be based in Tanzania. **Deadline: 5 June 2018**

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