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News, Events and Opportunities

NEWS & EVENTS

- RUFORUM Secretariat wishes our readers, families and communities good health and wellbeing
- Walking the talk; Student's loan helped us scale from an idea to a sustainable Agribusiness in Gulu
- Africa CDC Joins Forces with Co-Creation Hub to use Smart Ways to Educate and Sensitize the Continent on COVID-19
- UN chief urges unity in mobilizing 'every ounce of energy' to defeat coronavirus pandemic
- Post pandemic outlook for HE is bleakest for the poorest
- Poverty, Food Security, Open Data and COVID-19

Events:

- (New) CORONAVIRUS: the management of pandemic and the impact on Agenda 2030 18th WASD Annual International Conference. Video Conference. July 1 – 3, 2020
- (New) IASSIST, EASLIS and APLESA will be hosting the 1st IASSIST Africa Regional Conference. Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda. October 21 – 23, 2020
- Botho University International Research Conference (BUIRC): Research and Innovation for Sustainable Development in the Age of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Botho University, Gaborone, Botswana. November 25 - 26, 2020
- National Agricultural Research Organization Makerere University (NARO-MAK). Third Joint Scientific Conference: November 10 - 13, 2020, Kampala-Uganda

PUBLICATIONS

- RUFOURM Quarterly Report January March 2020. (RUFORUM, 2020)
- Price risk and farmers' decisions: A case study from Benin. (Assouto et al., 2020)
- Heavy metal concentrations in soil and vegetables irrigated with sewage effluent: A case study of Embu sewage treatment plant, Kenya. (Sayo et al., 2020)
- Selection efficiency of yield based drought tolerance indices to identify superior sorghum [Sorghum bicolor (L.) Moench] near isogenic lines (NILs) under twocontrasting environments. (Abebe et al., 2020)
- Interaction effect between Meloidogyne incognita and Fusarium oxysporum f.sp. lycopersici on selected tomato (Solanum lycopersicum L.) genotypes. (Kassie et al., 2020)
- Hybridity testing of tomato F 1 progenies derived from parents with varying fruit quality and shelf life using single nucleotide polymorphism (SNPs). (Osei et al., 2020)

FEATURED VIDEO: A formidable Baobab research team: RUFORUM expands support in **West Africa**

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OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- RUFORUM Call for the Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA) Research Grants 2020/2021. Deadline April 30, 2020
- RUFORUM Call for Post- Doctoral Fellowships: RU/2020/Post Doc/01. Deadline April 30, 2020
- RUFORUM call for Expression of Interest for Staff Mobility in African Universities. Deadline May 31, 2020
- The IGAD, in partnership with the CILSS and the FAO invite all partners to respond to the call for proposals (CFP): The Horn of Africa and Sahel Knowledge Share Fair 2020. Deadline April 27, 2020
- (New) EDCTP: Mobilisation of funding for COVID-19 research in Sub-Saharan Africa. Deadline April 17, 2020
- (UM6P and EPFL) Excellence in Africa Initiative: The junior faculty development program. Submission Deadline April 15, 2020 (17:00 CET) (extended from March 31, 2020)

Scholarships and courses:

- (New) APNI and UM6P: New Scholarship Program Announced for Plant Nutrition Graduate Students in Africa. Deadline April 30, 2020
- PhD Training Opportunities through the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program. Deadline vary by
- The University of Louvain (UCLouvain) PhD scholarships 2020. Deadline April 10, 2020
- The West Africa Center for Crop Improvement (WACCI). Call for Applications 2021, PhD training in Plant Breeding. Deadline April 13, 2020
- Participatory Video Facilitation for socially inclusive agricultural research: 5 days training Course (25-29 May. 2020). Deadline April 17, 2020
- MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program at KNUST. Deadline May 1, 2020 at 17:00 GMT

Calls for Papers and Posters:

- (RUFORUM call) Call for manuscripts: African Journal of Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. Deadline: Open
- (New) Call for Papers for 18th WASD Annual International Conference. Deadline May 25, 2020.

JOBS

- Education Sub Saharan Africa (ESSA) is hiring for three very exciting roles: a Head of Research and Insight, a Digital and Data Manager and an Evidence, Impact and Learning Manager. Deadline April 6, 2020 at 9:00 AM GMT
- The Inter-University Council for East Africa (IUCEA) Secretariat advert Vacancies for the posts of Principal Innovations and Outreach Officer (P3), Senior Administrative Officer (P2) and Senior Qualifications Framework Officer (P2). Deadline April 6, 2020

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