

## NEWS & EVENTS

- [RUFORUM Secretariat wishes our readers, families and communities good health and wellbeing](#)
- [My research got me into a USAID funded Project](#)
- [My motivation to start a business was to respond to society's needs](#)
- [Sowing seeds of transformation among cassava producers: Experiences with farm households in Kilifi and Taita-Taveta counties at the Kenyan coast](#)
- [Harvesting business growth from COVID-19 Pandemic: a young entrepreneurs' experience](#)
- [Kenya's university students and lecturers face huge challenges moving online](#)
- [Your Resilience in Managing Tough Times](#)
- [KNUST and Incas Diagnostics Develop Rapid COVID-19 Diagnostic Test](#)

## Events:

- [Open GEODATA for Planning Activities, Kampala INSPIRE Hackathon 2020](#). The hackathon **starts on March 2020**. The hackathon at **the University of Makerere, Kampala on May 4 – 5, 2020**. the hackathon results presentations **via Virtual Platform on May 8, 2020 at 9:00 AM in Kampala**
- [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

- [Functional trait diversity is a stronger predictor of multifunctionality than dominance: Evidence from an Afromontane forest in South Africa](#). (Mensah, 2020)
- [A computer-based approach for developing linamarase inhibitory agents](#). (Paul et al., 2020)
- [Maize Combined Insect Resistance Genomic Regions and Their Co-localization With Cell Wall Constituents Revealed by Tissue-Specific QTL Meta-Analyses](#). (Badji, 2018)
- [\[Report\] Impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on university finances](#). (London Economics, 2020)

**FEATURED VIDEO:** [RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2018, Nairobi Kenya: Students' Participation](#)

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## OPPORTUNITIES

### Grants and Awards:

- [RUFORUM Call for the Graduate Teaching Assistantship \(GTA\) Research Grants 2020/2021](#). Deadline May 20, 2020
- [RUFORUM Call for Post- Doctoral Fellowships: RU/2020/Post Doc/01](#). Deadline May 20, 2020
- [Call for Post- Doctoral Fellowships: RN/2020/Post Doc/02](#). Deadline May 20, 2020
- [RUFORUM call for Expression of Interest for Staff Mobility in African Universities](#). Deadline May 31, 2020
- [APNI, UM6P and OCP: New Young African Phosphorus Fellowship for Early Career Scientists](#) Deadline June 1, 2020
- [Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program: 2021 Applications Open](#). Deadline June 30, 2020 at 11:59 PM EDT
- **(New)** [The Canadian Institutes of Health Research \(CIHR\) Funding Opportunity](#). Deadline May 11, 2020
- **(New)** [IDRC Doctoral Research Awards 2020](#). Deadline June 17, 2020 at 16:00 (EDT)

### Scholarships and courses:

- [PhD Training Opportunities through the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program](#). Deadline vary by University
- [The Africa Young Entrepreneur Support \(YES\) Program 2020 early stage young Social Entrepreneurs \(Cohort 3\)](#). Deadline May 31, 2020
- [The African Scientific, Research and Innovation Council \(ASRIC\) in Partnership with The Euro-Mediterranean University of Fes \(UEMF\)- Morocco: Call for Scholarship Scheme 2020- 1ST Call](#). Deadline July 15, 2020 at 17.00 hours (GMT+0) Rabat Local time
- **(New)** [Call for Applications: Mobility of African Scholars for Transformative Engineering Training \(MASTET\)](#). Deadline June 30, 2020
- **(New)** [IsDB-TWAS Postdoctoral Fellowship Program](#). Deadline June 8, 2020
- **(New)** [TWAS-CSIR Postgraduate Fellowship Program](#). Deadline July 31, 2020

### Calls for Papers and Posters:

- **(New-RUFORUM call)** [African Journal of Rural Development Call for Papers: Multi-stakeholder Research & Innovation Platforms in Agricultural Research for Development](#). Deadline July 15, 2020
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal of Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**

## WEBINARS AND E\_DISCUSSIONS

- **(New)** [Seed System Webinar on COVID-19 and Seed Security Response](#). May 5, 2020 at 9:00 -10:00 AM ET US

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