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News, Events and Opportunities

NEWS & EVENTS

- RUFORUM Webinar Series 2020 Webinar 2: Prof. Adipala Ekwamu, RUFORUM Executive Secretary 19 June 2020
- (New) RUFORUM Webinar Series 2020 Webinar 3, Friday 3 July, 2020: Universities role in preparedness, response and monitoring of emerging and re-emerging pandemics.
- RUFORUM Webinar 2: Re-imagining higher education in Africa in the 'new normal' Analytical Report
- RUFORUM Thought Piece on COVID-19 Re-imagining higher education in Africa in the "new normal" by His Excellency Prof. Amon Murwira
- RUFORUM Thought Piece on COVID-19 Implications of COVID-19 on RUFORUM Secretariat Funding and Operations
- RUFOURM Survey: Teaching and Learning during and post COVID-19 era. Submission Date 31 July, 2020 (extended)

Events:

- The 3rd EAC Regional E-Health & Telemedicine Workshop, Ministerial Conference and Trade Exhibition. Kampala, Uganda. September 8 - 11. 2020
- The Horn of Africa and Sahel Virtual Knowledge Share Fair: Promoting innovation to build resilience against climate shocks. The virtual event will take place online in October 20 - 22, 2020

PUBLICATIONS

- Newly Published Vol. 16 for RUFORUM Working document series. June 20, 2020
- Newly published Vol. 5 (1) for the African Journal of Rural Development: Higher Education and Science, Technology and Innovation landscape in Africa. June 20, 2020
- Genetic Basis of Maize Resistance to Multiple Insect Pests: Integrated Genome-Wide Comparative Mapping and Candidate Gene Prioritization. (Badji et al. 2020)
- ICTs for Conservation Agriculture: Influence of Actor Positioning in Knowledge Networks in Laikipia and Machakos Counties, Kenya. (Achora et al., 2018)
- Evaluation of the potential of Jack Bean [Canavalia ensiformis (L.) DC.] and Velvet Bean [Mucuna pruriens (L.) DC.] aqueous extracts as post-emergence bio-herbicides for Weed control in Maize (Zea mays L.). (Rugare et al. 2020)

FEATURED VIDEO: RUFORUM Webinar 2: Re-imagining higher education in Africa in the 'new normal'

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

RUFORUM Global Research Alliance Graduate Research Grants First Call for Proposals. Deadline July 31, 2020 (extended from June 30, 2020)

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- The IGAD, in partnership with CILSS and FAO invite all partners to respond to the call for proposals (CFP): <u>The Horn of Africa and Sahel Knowledge Share Fair 2020</u>. **Deadline June 30, 2020 (extended from April 27, 2020)**
- o UNDP and Hackster.io partner to launch a global innovation challenge to tackle COVID-19. Deadline June 30, 2020
- AAS-Funding for Covid-19 Research & Development Goals for Africa. Deadline June 30, 2020
- The UNDP COVID-19 Detect and Protect Award. Deadline June 30, 2020 at 12:00 AM PT
- APNI, UM6P and OCP 2020 African Plant Nutrition Outreach Fellowship Award. Deadline July 1, 2020
- o MasterCard Foundation COVID-19 Resilience and Recovery Program. Deadline: Open

Scholarships and courses:

- PhD Training Opportunities through the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA) Program. Deadline vary by
 University
- Call for Applications: Mobility of African Scholars for Transformative Engineering Training (MASTET). Deadline June 30,
 2020
- o UM6P invites for admissions to its Master in Fertilizer Science and Technology. Deadline June 30, 2020
 - <u>UM6P Invitation letter to apply for Master in Fertilizer Science and Technology</u>
- o Call for Applications 20 PhD Scholarships in Forestry available. Deadline July 2, 2020 at 15.30 East Africa Time (EAT)
- o Mobility of Innovative Renewable Energy Technologies (MIRET) Scholarship. Deadline before July 15, 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
- University of Abomey-Calavi (UAC) Call for application, 8th cohort of students in Biostatistics for the academic year
 2020-2021. [English] [French]. Deadline July 30, 2020
- TWAS-CSIR Postgraduate Fellowship Program. Deadline July 31, 2020
- o FOSS4G UK Online 2020 Slides and Recordings. Available from June 23, 2020

Calls for Papers and Posters:

- (RUFORUM call) <u>African Journal of Rural Development Call for Papers: Themed Supplementary Issues</u> Deadline July
 15, 2020
- (RUFORUM call) <u>Call for manuscripts: African Journal of Rural Development</u>. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**

WEBINARS AND E DISCUSSIONS

- (New Registration) RUFORUM Webinar Series 2020 Webinar 3: Universities role in preparedness, response and monitoring of emerging and re-emerging pandemics. July 3, 2020 at 2:00 PM (Nairobi time)
 - o Introductory Note for Webinar 3: [English] [French] [Arabic] [Portuguese]
 - o Webinar Guidelines for attendees about Joining and participating in a webinar
- (New) Acquire Skills from the SADC Foresight for Climate Resilient Agricultural Webinar Series. Every Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM (SAST)
- (New) FAO presents a webinar on Extension and Advisory Services: at the frontline of COVID-19 response for food security in Africa. (Webinar Registration link) June 30, 2020 at 10:00 in Rome time

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