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News, Events and Opportunities

NEWS & EVENTS

- RUFORUM Webinar Series 2020 Webinar 9: Remarks from Dr. Florence Nakayiwa, RUFORUM Deputy Executive Secretary, Planning, Resource Mobilisation and Management 31 August 2020
- (New) RUFORUM Webinar Series 2020 Webinar 10 Monday 07 September, 2020: Engaging African Universities in Advancing Agricultural and Food and Nutrition Security in Africa: Policy Perspective
- RUFORUM Webinar 9: Delivering Agricultural Advisory Services in Post COVID-19 Era Analytical Report
- Announcing RUFORUM Triennial 2021 Conference
 - **Draft Triennial Overview Program**
 - **Triennial Concept Note**
- Kenya and Ethiopia Bolster Drought Defenses with Feed Security Systems

PUBLICATIONS

- Newly Published Vol. 17 Issue 1 of 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
- Functional trait diversity is a stronger predictor of multifunctionality than dominance: Evidence from an Afromontane forest in South Africa (Mensah et al., 2020)
- Structural complexity and large-sized trees explain shifting species richness and carbon relationship across vegetation types (Mensah et al., 2020)

FEATURED VIDEO: Webinar 9: Delivering Agricultural Advisory Services in Post COVID-19 Era

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- RUFORUM PreCall Announcement Young Scientist Awards 2021. Deadline: March 31, 2021
- RUFORUM PreCall Announcement Young African Entrepreneurs Competition 2021. Deadline: March 31, 2021
- DAAD: ClimapAfrica Program Climate change research alumni and postdocs in Africa program for future leaders in the field of climate research and protection. Deadline September 14, 2020
- Arab Gulf Program for Development Prince Talal International Prize for Human Development [English] [Arabic]. Deadline December 15, 2020
- Jack Kimmel International Grant Program Funding for Arboriculture and Urban Forestry. Deadline between August 1, 2020 to September 15, 2020
- COST Action MOBILISE Short-Term Scientific Missions. Deadline of August 31, 2020 and December 15, 2020
- (New) The African Union call for Sustainable Education Innovations. Deadline September 25, 2020 at 23:00 (GMT+3) \circ
- (New) Jeanie Borlaug Laube Women in Triticum (WIT) Early Career Award. Deadline October 31, 2020
- (New) BIOPAMA-The Rapid Response Grants 2020. Deadline December 31, 2020 at 32:59 Brussels time
- The Olam International in partnership with Agropolis Fondation Prize for Innovation in Food Security 2021. Deadline January 11, 2021 at 23:59 CET (France)
- Emergency Awards: Rapid Investigation of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) and Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed). Deadline April 30, 2021

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The Islamic World Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (ICESCO) Prize for Fighting Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19). Deadline: Open

Scholarships and courses:

- PhD Training Opportunities through the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA) Program. Deadline vary by University
- (New) UNITAR Social Entrepreneurship Training Program for Women in Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia and Sudan. Deadline September 06, 2020 at 23:59 (JST)
- The Pan African University 2020/2021 (Masters and PhD) Scholarships for Young Africans. Deadline September 10, 2020
- Ireland Fellows Program Africa: Scholarship 2021/2022 for Young Africans. Deadline September 13, 2020
- (New) Haramaya University-Africa Center of Excellence for Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Conservation: Call for MSc & PhD Applications - 2020/2021. Deadline October 15, 2020
- (New) IHE Delft and (FAO): New open online course titled "Water Productivity and Water Accounting using WaPOR". Enrollment begins: September 01, 2020 at 13:00 CET, Module 1 starts: September 07, 2020 at 13:00 CET, Modules 2 and 3 start: October 12, 2020 at 13:00 CET

Calls for Papers and Posters:

- (RUFORUM call) Call for manuscripts: African Journal of Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. Deadline: Open
- Call for Conference Papers and Communications for RUFORUM Triennial 2021. Deadline June 30, 2021
- Call for Conference Exhibition for RUFORUM Triennial 2021. Deadline June 30, 2021
- Call for Conference Posters for RUFORUM Triennial 2021. Deadline June 30, 2021

WEBINARS AND E DISCUSSIONS

- o (New Registration) RUFORUM Webinar Series 2020 Webinar 10: Engaging African Universities in Advancing Agricultural and Food and Nutrition Security in Africa: Policy Perspective. September 07, 2020 at 14:00 (Nairobi time)
 - o Introductory Note for Webinar 10: [English] [French] [Arabic] [Portuguese]
 - o Webinar Guidelines for attendees Joining and participating in a Webinar
- o (New) AGRF2020: A Soils Initiative for Africa. September 07, 2020 at 11:00 EST

JOBS AND CONSULTANT

- (New) Kingdom of Lesotho, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security. Request for Expression of Interest Horticulture Expert (Consulting Services- Individual Consultants Selection Method). Deadline September 11, 2020 at 16:00 hrs Local
- International Expert To Organize And Promote The Implementation Of A Functioning Network Of Focal Points At Key Institutions In 4 Regions To Follow Up Gender Sensitive Cases And To Provide Assistance To Women For Conflict Resolution. Deadline September 02, 2020 (Midnight New York, USA)

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