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NEWS AND EVENTS

- Enhancing staff mobility: 13 Graduate Teaching Assistants place
- SLU Global Seminar Can universities effectively support sustainable and inclusive development in Africa's rural communities? The Case of RUFORUM, 17 November 2015, Uppsala, Sweden.
- 15 steps closer to quality higher education in Africa
- Dialogue on STISA 2024: African ministers meet in Malawi
- How employable are African graduates in their countries?
- Alumni stories: I set up my farm to inspire others

PUBLICATIONS

- Role of camel milk in pastoral livelihoods in Kenya: contribution to household diet and income (Elhadi, Nyariki & Wasonga, 2015)
- The contribution of camel milk production as a livelihood strategy for building pastoral resilience in the drylands of Kenya (Elhadi, 2015)
- Analysis of the political economy of agricultural policies in Malawi: A case study of maize policies (Phiri, 2013)
- Proceedings of 11th African Crop Science Society Conference, October 2013, Entebbe, Uganda

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- (New) Horizon 2020: New opportunities for EU-funded collaborative research between Africa and Europe
- 2016 Erasmus+ call for proposals to modernise and improve higher education. Deadline: Varied by project
- Continental African Union Kwame Nkrumah Scientific Awards 2015 Edition. Deadline: 15 November, 2015
- European Research Council awards for starting grants 2016. Open to all researchers with 2 to 7 years' postdoctoral experience. Deadline: 17 November, 2015
- Call for concept notes for the Sustainable Agricultural Intensification Research and Learning Programme in sub-Saharan Africa (SAIRLA) research opportunity. Deadline: 19 November, 2015.

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- (New) Call for academic writing residency at the Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio Center. Open to academics, researchers, professors, and scientists working in any discipline. Deadline: 1 December, 2015
- Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program (CADFP) calls for universities in Africa and African-born academics in the United States and Canada to apply for funding to undertake joint projects. 140 projects will be supported in 2016 and 2017. Deadline: December 8, 2015
- Swiss-African Research Cooperation (SARECO) grants for exchange visits, joint seminars, and joint workshops between Swiss researchers and researchers in Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Mozambique, Senegal, Uganda, and Zambia. Deadline: Open till funding threshold is reached.

Scholarships:

- RU/2015/DRG/02: Doctoral Regional Research Scholarships for finalization of PhD research and dissemination of findings. Deadline: 30 December, 2015
- RU/2015/GTA/DRG/01: Doctoral Regional Research Scholarships for RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistants at member universities. Deadline: 30 December, 2015
- Awards Scholarships for master-level degrees and short African professionals. Applications will be received from September to December each year.
- Graduate Research Grant: U.S. Borlaug Fellows in Global Food Security. Deadline: 9 November, 2015
- 2016 Commonwealth Scholarships for Developing Commonwealth Countries' Students. Supports Master's and PhD study in any field at UK Universities. Deadline: 19 November, 2015
- Opening of application window Earth University. Deadline for applicants from Africa: 30 November, 2015
- DREAM Project scholarships for master and doctorate students and university staff members to undertake a mobility period or full degree in Europe. Deadline: 1 December 2015
- Gates Cambridge Scholarship for Postgraduate International Students, 2016. Open to non-UK citizens to study at the University of Cambridge. **Deadline: 2 December 2015**
- Norman E. Borlaug Leadership Enhancement in Agriculture Program (Borlaug LEAP) fellowships for graduate students from developing countries. Deadline: 2 December, 2015
- RUFORUM Field Attachment Program Award (FAPA) for MSc students. Proposals will be accepted throughout 2015
- Harvard University Environmental Fellowships 2016. Candidates with a doctorate in any subject area from any university in the world are eligible. Deadline: 13 January, 2016

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- (New) The Graduate Institute Geneva now open for 2016/2017 applications. Financial aid for Master's and Doctoral studies available. Deadline: 15 January, 2016
- (New) The Oxford Patrick Duncan Scholarship. Open to SADC countries only. Deadline: 22 January, 2016.
- PhD training opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program. Deadline: Open

Calls for papers:

- <u>Call for papers on enterprises as incubators of universities</u> by the Science, Technology, and Globalization
 Project, Harvard Kennedy School. <u>Deadline for abstracts: November 30, 2015.</u>
- <u>Call for short, extended abstracts and posters/exhibitions</u> for the 5th African Higher Education Week
 & RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2016. **Deadline: 30th June, 2016**.
- <u>Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development</u>. Regular articles short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**

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