

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Young African Entrepreneurs Competition: Round one evaluation outcome](#)
- [Women farmers in Eastern Uganda reap big from cassava processing](#)
- [Malawi University of Science and Technology \(MUST\): a university aligned to national aspirations](#)
- [Designing university curricula for the future A look at university-industry collaboration](#)
- [The coming demographic challenges in agriculture](#)
- [Push for agricultural renaissance in Africa gets \\$30B boost](#)
- [Join the PAEPARD online debate on aflatoxin research in Africa, 12-25 September 2016](#)
- [CASE Africa Conference 2016, Nairobi, Kenya, 8-10 November 2016](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Innovating for skills enhancement: the centrality of field attachment programs in agricultural sciences in Africa \(Egeru et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Land use and land cover change in the coastal area of Watamu Mida Creek, Kenya \(Fikir, 2016\)](#)
- [Africa Agriculture Status Report 2016. Progress towards agricultural transformation in Africa. \(AGRA, 2016\)](#)
- [Current state of advancement of open educational resources in Kenya \(Adala, 2016\)](#)
- [Agricultural research in Africa: investing in future harvests \(Lynam et al, eds, 2016\)](#)
- [Ending hunger in Africa: the elimination of hunger and food insecurity on the African by 2025: Conditions for success \(Hedden et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Governance reforms in higher education: a study of selected countries in Africa \(Varghese, 2013\)](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- [IPNI Science Award 2016](#) for an agricultural scientist with outstanding achievements in research, extension, or education on management of plant nutrients. **Nomination deadline: 30 September, 2016**
- [WIOMSA Marine Research Grants Programme](#). Supports young scientists to turn their ideas into research projects and present research results at various fora. **Deadline: September 2016 for research projects**. Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime

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- [Securing Water for Food: A Grand Challenge for Development announces 4th Global call for innovations to improve water and food security.](#) **Deadline: 10 October 2016**
- [Borlaug Global Rust Initiative \(BGRI\) Award for Women in Wheat Research 2016.](#) The award will help cover costs of attending the BGRI workshop and a training at CIMMYT, Mexico. **Deadline: 30 October 2016**
- [Farming by satellite Prize 2016.](#) A competition for students and young people across Europe and Africa on using satellite technologies to improve agriculture and the environment. **Deadline: 30 October 2016**
- [African Union Kwame Nkrumah Scientific Awards 2016 Edition](#) for African Scientists, Researchers and Innovators. **Deadline: 31 October 2016**
- NWO-WOTRO Science for global development has launched the [last round of the third call for proposals for the Food & Business Applied Research Fund \(ARF\).](#) **Deadline: 6 December 2016**
- [The Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund 2016/2017](#) for scientists employed within African National Agricultural Research Systems. Applications will be accepted on an on-going basis **until 30th June 2017**
- [NEPAD-SANBio mobility grants to support regional and international travel and accommodation for individuals in the Biosciences field.](#) **Deadline: Open till December 2018**

Scholarships:

- **(New)** International webinar on 'Embracing technology for global engagement: a leadership challenge and opportunity', 4 October 2016. Participation is free if you [register](#).
- [World Bank Group Africa Fellowship Program](#) for PhD students or recent graduates from Sub-Saharan Africa. Fellows will spend at least six months at the World Bank Offices. **Deadline: 30 September 2016**
- [TWAS Fellowships for Research and Advanced Training.](#) Fellowships for researchers from developing countries to spend 3-12 months in an institute other than their own. **Deadline: 1 October, 2016**
- Gender in Agriculture Partnership (GAP) webinar on "[Closing the gender data gap for agricultural policy and investment.](#)" Participation is free. **Start date: 4 October 2016**
- [2017 Mo Ibrahim Foundation Leadership Fellowship at the African Development Bank.](#) Priorities for the 2017 Fellowship include agriculture ("feeding Africa"). **Deadline: 14 October 2016**
- ICRA courses in the Netherlands, 2017. **Deadline for scholarship applications: 19 October 2016.**
 - [Learning, action research and outreach – Making higher education boost food security](#)
 - [Linking research to inclusive development for food security - Facing rural innovation challenges](#)
- [German Academic Exchange Service \(DAAD\) postgraduate scholarships 2017-2018](#) for study of development-related subjects at German universities. **Deadlines vary by course.**
- [AAS visiting fellowships for PhD students and postdoctoral researchers](#) from East, Southern and West Africa working in global and environmental health and nanosciences. **Deadline: 30 September 2016.**

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- **(New)** Swiss Government excellence scholarships for foreign scholars, 2017–2018. Available to postgraduate researchers in any discipline. Deadline: Varies per country, from September–December 2016
- Course in Plant metabolism for improved nutrition and health, 20 February– 4 March 2017 at NM-AIST in Arusha, Tanzania. Course costs will be covered. **Deadline: 23 October 2016**
- Australia Awards for Africa, 2017. Scholarships for master's degree studies and short courses in Australia and/or Africa. **Deadline: Varies by course between 15 December 2016 - 15 January 2017**
- Leadership Program for Agricultural Research and Development (LEPARD), 24-28 October 2016, Kenya. The course will be delivered at a fee and spots will be filled on a first come-first-served basis.
- METEGA mobility scholarships for staff exchange. **Deadline: 31 January 2018**
- Nestlé Foundation grants for research in human nutrition in low-income and lower middle-income countries. Support includes grants for Masters and PhD projects. **Applications accepted all year round**

Calls for papers:

- **(RUFORUM call)** Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- Call for abstracts for the 2nd Agriculture and Climate Change Conference: climate ready resource use-efficient crops to sustain food and nutritional security, 26-28 March 2017, Spain. **Deadline: 17 October 2016**
- Call for abstracts and papers for the 1st All Africa Postharvest Congress & Exhibition, 28-31 March 2017, Kenya. **Deadline: 31 November 2016**

Jobs:

- Job opportunities at RUFORUM. **Deadline: 30 September 2016**
 - RUF/JOB/01/16: Research and Grants Officer
 - RUF/JOB/02/16: Recruitment and Training Officer
 - RUF/JOB/03/16: Senior Finance Officer
- **(New)** Call for expression of interest: Developing a Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA) manual for professional level and university level agricultural education in Zimbabwe. **Deadline: 16 September 2016**

FEATURED VIDEO: [Mali: Taking over the abandoned family farm](#). 23 year-old Hawaou Mariko, with a degree in enterprise management, takes over the abandoned family farm and makes it a profitable agricultural enterprise.

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