

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Her Excellency Dr. Mrs. Ameenah Gurib-Fakim, President of the Republic of Mauritius to address the RUFORUM Biennial Conference and African Higher Education Week in Cape Town](#)
- [How a farmer group moved from seed multiplication to value addition: The case of cassava composite porridge](#)
- [Egerton University launches farm attachment for agro-students](#)
- [Maths and science are the keys to unlocking Africa's potential](#)
- [Best 15 African universities in 2016 according to Times Higher Education ranking](#)
- [The 12th African Dairy Conference and Exhibition, 31 August - 2 September 2016, Kigali](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- **(RUFORUM Publication)** [Analysing, adapting, innovating: growing a robust agricultural research system in South Sudan \(Megan, 2016\)](#)
- [Development of orange fleshed sweet potato and bambara groundnut-based snacks for school children in Tanzania \(Honi, 2016\)](#)
- [Effect of pretreatments and drying on nutrient content of orange fleshed sweet potato tubers and cowpea leaves used in Maswa district, Tanzania \(Nicanuru, 2016\)](#)
- [Farmer's perceptions on dual-purpose sorghum and it's potential in Zambia \(Chikuta et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Genetic diversity among sorghum landraces of southwestern highlands of Uganda \(Akatiwijuka, Rubaihayo & Odong, 2016\)](#)
- [Phenotypic diversity of selected dual purpose forage and grain sorghum genotypes \(Chikuta, 2015\)](#)
- [Knowledge production and contradictory functions in African higher education \(Cloete, Maassen & Bailey, 2015\)](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- **(New – RUFORUM call)** [Young African Entrepreneurs Competition](#). RUFORUM invites African entrepreneurs and incubates under 40 years to compete for 10 conference awards. **Deadline: 30 July 2016**

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- The African Agribusiness Incubators Network (AAIN) is soliciting for business ideas on agribusiness incubation. Investment financing will range from US\$5,000 - 50,000. **Deadline: 30 June 2016**
- The Blue Economy Challenge. This AU\$3 million challenge calls for solutions that ensure sustainability of aquaculture, especially in the Indian Ocean region. **Deadline: 30 June, 2016.**
- The Rockefeller Foundation Cassava Innovation Challenge will grant up to \$1 million to innovators with novel solutions that tackle food loss and spoilage in the cassava value chain. **Deadline: 8 July, 2016**
- NICHE call for subsidy tenders for a project in Mali titled “Renforcement des capacités des Institutions d’Enseignement Supérieur dans la Gestion Intégrée des Ressources en Eau”. **Deadline: 12 July 2016**
- The Pan African Awards for Entrepreneurship in Education. For innovative education projects that have had a positive impact on young people and communities. **Deadline: 15 July 2016**
- African Union Research Grants 2016. The call supports research on Food & Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture with particular attention on Sustainable Intensification. **Deadline: 17 August 2016.**
- WIOSA 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.
- NEPAD-SANBio mobility grants to support regional and international travel and accommodation for individuals in the Biosciences field. **Deadline: Open till December 2018**

Scholarships and courses:

- **(New)** 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.
- **(New)** SASAC High-level Systems Analysis Capacity Strengthening programme for early-career supervisors, academics and postdoctoral fellows to develop transdisciplinary systems thinking. **Deadline: 30 June 2016**
- **(New)** Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program (CADFP) for accredited higher education institutions in Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda. **Deadline: 5 July, 2016.**
- 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 short, extended abstracts and posters/exhibitions for the 5th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2016. **Deadline: 30 June, 2016**
- **(RUFORUM call)** Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- **(New)** Call for paper and/or poster abstracts for the 3rd Southern African Regional Conference on Quality Assurance in Higher Education. **Deadline: 30 June 2016**
- Third call for proposals for the Food & Business Applied Research Fund (ARF). **Deadline: 5 July, 2016 and December 6, 2016.**
- Call for abstracts for 2nd Agriculture and Climate Change Conference, 26 - 28 March 2017, Spain. **Deadline: 17 October, 2016**

Jobs:

- Access Agriculture seeks to recruit an Executive Secretary. **Deadline: 30 June, 2016**
- Tufts University is seeking a Chief of Party for the USAID Kenya - East Africa Resilience Learning Project to be based in Nairobi, Kenya. For more information contact:Augusta.Rohrbach@tufts.edu

FEATURED VIDEO: [RUFORUM alumni performance in Rwanda Agriculture Board, Dusengemungu Leonidas](#)

