NEWS AND EVENTS

- RUFORUM Convenes stakeholders to develop an Implementation Plan for the Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy for Africa
- Meet RUFORUM Graduate Research Student, Mzengereza Kumbukani

PUBLICATIONS

- Effects of water stress on antioxidant activity and phenolic contents of African nightshades and their distribution in Kisii and Siaya counties of Kenya. *(Odhiambo, 2015)*
- Mainstreaming gender in AET: Overcoming challenges through policies and practices *(Van Houweling, Christie & Abdel-Rahim, 2015)*. A study on challenges faced by women in agricultural higher education.
- Embracing Web 2.0 and social media: A life-changing pathway for agricultural development actors. *(CTA, 2015)* 18 cases, including one from RUFORUM.

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:
- **Carnegie Cooperation of New York Higher Education and Research in Africa (HERA) Programme** support for scholars, academic institutions, and continental networks. Open call
- **Marie Skłodowska-Curie co-funding for new or existing doctoral or fellowship programmes run at regional, national, or international level. Deadline: 1 October, 2015**
- Call for proposals: **Higher Education Africa Centers of Excellence for Eastern and Southern Africa Phase II (ACE II)**. Deadline: 2 October, 2015.
• European Research Council awards for starting grants 2016. Open to all researchers with 2 to 7 years’ post-doctoral experience. **Deadline: 17 November, 2015**

Scholarships:
• **RU/2015/DFS/01: Doctoral Finalization Support Scholarships** for doctoral students registered in RUFORUM Regional Programmes. **Deadline: 30 September, 2015**
• **RU/2015/DFS/INTRA ACP/01: Intra ACP Academic Mobility Doctoral Research Scholarships** for finalization of PhD research and dissemination of findings. **Deadline: 30 September, 2015**
  - *(Deadline extended)*
  • **RU/2015/DRG/02: Doctoral Regional Research Scholarships** for finalization of PhD research and dissemination of findings. **Deadline: 30 December, 2015**
  - *(Deadline extended)*
  • **RU/2015/GTA/DRG/01: Doctoral Regional Research Scholarships** for RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistants at member universities. **Deadline: 30 December, 2015**
• **Government of Czech Republic - Scholarships for university applicants from developing countries.** **Deadline: 30 September each year.**
• **(New)** **Australia Awards Scholarships** for master-level degrees and short courses for African professionals. **Applications will be received from September to December each year.**
• **(New)** **H3ABioNet/SANBio Post-graduate Scholarships** for short-term training in Bioinformatics. **Deadline: 30 September, 2015**
• **(New)** **Jennifer Potter Emerging Leaders Fellowship** for the next generation of young African business leaders. **Deadline: 1 October, 2015**
• **NFP Tailor-Made Training Programme for staff in organisations.** **Deadline: 1 November, 2015**
• **Graduate Research Grant: U.S. Borlaug Fellows in Global Food Security.** **Deadline: 9 November, 2015**
• **(New)** **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**
• **(New)** **Gates Cambridge Scholarship for Postgraduate International Students, 2016.** Open to non-UK citizens to study at the University of Cambridge. **Deadline: 2 December 2015**
• **(New)** **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
• **PhD training opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program.** **Deadline: Open call**
Calls for papers:

- **Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development**

**JOBS**

ILRI vacancy: Research scientist – Livestock Genetics/Genomics. **Deadline: 30 September, 2015**

**FEATURED VIDEO:** Why capacity building in Higher Agricultural Education?