NEWS AND EVENTS

- Africa on the move: the role of universities in transforming Africa’s agricultural sector
- Entrepreneurship is a marathon, not a sprint
- Centres of Excellence project – ‘A model that works’
- The new battlefront in university subject rankings
- Event: 9th International Conference and Workshops on Quality Assurance in Higher Education in Africa, Accra, 18-22 September 2017

PUBLICATIONS

- Physical characteristics, proximate composition and anti-nutritional factors in grains of lablab bean (Lablab purpureus) genotypes from Kenya (Kilonzi, Makokha & Kenji, 2017)
- Local Community Participation in Restoration of Watersheds in Uganda (Akello et al, 2017)
- Comparative analysis of video mediated learning and farmer field school approach on adoption of striga control technologies in Western Kenya (Ongachi et al, 2017)
- Case study on inclusive innovation processes, monitoring and evaluation in the Mbeya Region, Tanzania (Malley et al, 2017)
- Land use/cover change and perceived watershed status in Eastern Uganda (Akello et al, 2016)

FEATURED VIDEO: A collaboration between RUFORUM and EARTH University

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- (RUFORUM call) IMPRESSA Awards 2017. RUFORUM award recognizing outstanding university scientists contributing to agricultural Research and Science for Development in Africa. Deadline: 31 July 2017
- TWAS Regional Prize 2017: Public Understanding and Popularization of Science. Deadline: 15 July 2017
- Global Development Awards Competition 2017. Six researchers or development practitioners from low or middle-income countries will stand the chance to win up to US$30,000. Deadline: 16 July 2017
- TWAS-Abdool Karim Prize for women scientists in the biological sciences. New deadline: 31 July 2017
- (New) Africa Climate Change Fund call for projects & programmes to support African countries transition to climate resilient, low carbon development, and scale-up access to climate finance. Deadline: 13 August 2017
- UNFCCC Global Youth Video Competition 2017 for youth aged 18-30 to submit videos that showcase actions on climate change. Winners will attend the COP23 in Bonn. Deadline: 18 August 2017.
- Feed the Future Innovation lab for Peanut Research (PRIL). Deadline: 6 September 2017

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- **Toyota Foundation call for proposals** for joint or individual research grants beginning in May 2018. Open to all areas of research and persons of all nationalities. **Deadline: 8 September 2017**
- **Call for Geodata for Agriculture and Water (G4AW) Facility 2017-2018**. **Deadline: 14 September 2017**
- **OCLC/ALISE Library & Information Science Research Grant Program (LISRGP) 2018 Call for Proposals. Deadline: 15 September 2017**
- **NEPAD-SANBio mobility grants** to support regional and international travel and accommodation for individuals in the Biosciences field. **Deadline: Open till December 2018**
- **WIOMSA Marine Research Grants Programme**. Supports young scientists to present research results at various fora. **Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime**

Scholarships and courses:

- **(RUFORUM call)** PhD Training Opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program. Applications will be accepted throughout the year
- **(RUFORUM call)** Call for proposals for the RUFORUM Field Attachment Program Award (FAPA). Proposals will be accepted throughout 2017
- **(New)** Africa Oxford Initiative (AfOx) Visiting Scholars Programme. 4-6 week fellowship for academics from African universities and research institutions in any field of study. **Deadline: 16 July 2017**
- **(New)** Call for PhD Applications for 2017/2018 cohort of the PASET Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund. **Deadline: 24 July 2017**
- **(New)** Association of African Universities (AAU) Staff Exchange Programme 2017. For staff of AAU member universities. All exchange missions have to be completed by end of December 2017.
- **Enhancing librarians’ ICT skills for research enablement in African universities**: a Carnegie CPD programme. For professionals from Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania & Uganda. **Deadline: 26 July 2017**
- **Call for Postdoctoral, PhD and MPhil/MSc research fellowships** at SACIDS Africa Centre of Excellence for Infectious Diseases of Humans and Animals in Southern and Eastern Africa. **Deadline: 28 July 2017**
- **DAAD graduate scholarships for sub-Saharan Africans** to pursue masters and doctoral studies at the Regional Studies Center to Ameliorate and Adapt to Drought (CERAAS), Senegal. **Deadline: 28 July 2017**
- **Call for PhD Studies** at the African Center of Excellence in Energy for Sustainable Development (ACEESD), University of Rwanda. Scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
- **PhD scholarships at Centre for Research, Agricultural Advancement, Teaching Excellence and Sustainability (CREATES)**, Tanzania. Applications will be received till slots are filled
- **IWC scholarships to study** Master of Integrated Water Management in Brisbane, Australia starting 1 September 2018. **Deadline: 1 August 2017**
- **Global Leadership Fellows Programme** of the World Economic Forum. Open to applicants with a master’s degree in any discipline. **Deadline: 15 August 2017**
- **2017 Kauffman Foundation Dissertation Fellowship Program**. For doctoral students at accredited U.S. universities to support dissertations in the area of entrepreneurship. **Deadline: 16 August 2017**
- **ICRA courses:**
  - Learning, action research and outreach – Making higher education boost food security, 30 October to 17 November 2017, the Netherlands. **Deadline: 5 September 2017**
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- **TWAS Fellowship for Research and Advanced Training.** For young scientists in developing countries to spend 3-12 months at a research institution in another developing country. **Deadline: 1 October 2017**
- **2017 Cornell University Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship.** Open to recent doctoral graduates from all areas of research. **Deadline: 1 October 2017**
- **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**
- Call for post-doctoral candidate to work on the gender-energy-entrepreneurship-environment nexus in Tanzania. Tenable at Chalmers University of Technology. **Email:** helene.ahlborg@chalmers.se
- Call for participation in the 11th AAU Leadership Development Workshop (LEDEV) for Higher Education Institutions, 5-8 September 2017, Ghana.

**Calls for Papers**

- **(RUFORUM call)** Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- Call for papers for the 4-6 October 2017, Kigali. **Deadline: 15 July 2017**
- Call for papers at Saint-Petersburg, 8-12 October 2017. **Deadline 28 July 2017**
- Call for papers for conference on “Quantitative Methods for Integrated Food and Nutrition Security Measurement”. Scholarships available for authors. **Deadline: 31 August 2017**
- Call for papers and workshop proposals for the 4th International Association of Agricultural Information Specialists (IAALD) – Africa Conference 2018, Pretoria. **Deadline: 30 September 2017**

**WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS**

- **(New)** E-discussion on the Agricultural Open Data Package – AgPack, 10-24 July 2017
- **(New)** Engaging African youth in agribusiness in a changing climate. E-discussion from 12 July to 12 August 2017
- Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in Agriculture Webinar-III: Benefits of farm-level risk reduction practices in agriculture, 20 July 2017. **Register at:** https://tinyurl.com/registration-webinar-20July

**JOBS**

- **RUFORUM vacancy:** Manager Information & Technology. **Deadline: 31 August, 2017**
- **Fanrpan Chief Executive Officer,** Deadline: 30 July 2017
- Forage Genebank Manager at ILRI in Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
- **AWARD Website Consultancy.** **Deadline: 31 July 2017**

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