NEWS AND EVENTS

- RUFORUM supports member universities to mobilise 4.2 Million Euro to train 106 postgraduate students in Africa
- RUFORUM International Advisory Panel Chair to head Zimbabwean State University Council
- Tomato farmers in Kenya appreciate RUFORUM researchers for bridging knowledge gap
- International conference on collaborative education exchange for accelerating youth, education and innovation in agri-business for sustainable development opens at Makerere University, Uganda
- Do university presidents still matter?
- Survey: European Commission survey on strengthening the informed voice of students in universities in Africa

PUBLICATIONS

- Effect of drought early warning system on household food security in Karamoja subregion, Uganda (Akwango et al, 2017)
- Socioeconomic characterization and the agronomic practices that affect the use of pineapple waste to enhance soil fertility in Kayunga District, Uganda (Zziwa et al, 2017)
- Nutrient composition and consumer acceptability of soybean-sweet potato based complementary food fortified with longhorn grasshopper (Ruspolia differens) (Mmari, 2017)
- Determinants of market participation for smallholder indigenous chicken farmers in Gulu District (Akidi, 2016)
- Global Innovation Index 2017: innovation feeding the world (Cornell University, INSEAD & WIPO, 2017)
- Rural transformation, cereals and youth in Africa: what role for international agricultural research? (Ripoll et al, 2017)
- Beyond the hype: mobile phones and the web to improve agricultural value chains (Mundy, Addom & Bheenick, 2017)

FEATURED VIDEO: Depositing water at the bank

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- (RUFORUM call) Call for grant proposals under the Community Action Research Programme Plus Programme (CARP+) of RUFORUM. Deadline: 31 October 2017
- Feed the Future Innovation lab for Peanut Research (PRIL). Deadline: 6 September 2017

The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) – www.ruforum.org
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**

Germany’s International Climate Initiative (IKI) supports projects on climate change mitigation and adaptation. Open to a broad range of participants including universities. **Deadline: 12 October 2017**


DAAD scholarships for postgraduate studies in Germany 2018-2019. Application deadlines vary across universities and programmes. Several deadlines for scholarships are in September and October 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 - Travel Grant. Supports young scientists to present research results at various fora. Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime

Nominate the Agrofood Broker of the Year 2017. A professional in the field of Food and Nutrition Security, who has undertaken significant brokering activities in 2016/2017.

Scholarships and courses:


- **(RUFORUM call)** PhD Training Opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program. Applications will be accepted throughout the year

- 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.

- PhD scholarships at Centre for Research, Agricultural Advancement, Teaching Excellence and Sustainability in Food and Nutritional Security (CREATES), Tanzania. Applications will be received till slots are filled

- 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**

- 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**
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- **International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB) — Arturo Falaschi Fellowships Programme.** Deadlines: 30 September for post-doc fellowships and 31 December for short-term fellowships.
- **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
- **11th AAU Leadership Development Workshop (LEDEV) for Higher Education Institutions,** 5-8 September 2017, Ghana.
- **(New) African Development Bank Group’s Young Professionals Programme 2018.** Applicants must be 32 years of age or younger by 31st December, 2017. **Deadline: 11 September 2017**
- **(New) Trainings at the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA):**
- **CODATA-RDA School of Research Data Science,** 4 – 15 December 2017 in São Paulo. **Deadline: 22 September 2017**
- **(New) University of Michigan African Presidential Scholars (UMAPS) Program.** Up to 6 months residencies for early career faculty from African universities at the University of Michigan. **Deadline: 15 October 2017**
- **DIES University Leadership and Management Training Course (UNILEAD).** For young managers who work in their university’s central administrative departments. **Deadline: 16 October 2017**
- **(New) HarvardX - Free online courses from Harvard University including data analysis, statistics and genomics.** **Deadlines vary.**

**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 4th Global Science Conference on Climate Smart Agriculture. **Deadline: 20 September 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) GFAR webinar:** “Farmers’ rights: How complementarity between researchers and farmers impact the conservation of genetic diversity, food security and livelihoods of the poor”. **Date:** 19 September 2017
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JOBS

- **(New) FAO**: Consultancies at Green Climate Fund. **Deadline: 3 September 2017**
- **(New) French Agricultural Research Centre for International Development (CIRAD):**
  - Economist on food value chains in Africa. **Deadline: 6 September 2017**
  - Economist specialized in quality issues. **Deadline: 24 September 2017**
- **(New) FARA**: Individual consultant to carry out foresight capacity needs assessment and evaluate institutional architectural assessment for foresight research and policy. **Deadline: 12 September 2017**
- **Africa University**: Deputy Vice Chancellor; Dean College of Social Sciences, Theology, Humanities and Education; University Librarian and other positions. **Deadline: 30 September 2017**
- **African University of Science and Technology**: Faculty positions. **Deadline: 30 September 2017**

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