NEWS AND EVENTS

- University of Zambia’s Dr Alice Mweetwa scoops two awards for research excellence
- Mrs Blessing Adanta Odogwu, a RUFORUM PhD scholar, shares her doctoral Journey as midcareer woman and a mother
- Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University ranks among Top 250 agriculture programmes worldwide since its inception in 1889
- Agricultural PhD programme picks new crop of candidates
- Rich lessons from implementing internationalisation
- Universities face an age of cyber crime
- 9th GCHERA World Conference - Global Food Security and Food Safety: The Role of Universities. Nanjing, 28-30 October 2017

PUBLICATIONS

- Determinants of sustainable innovation performance by smallholder dairy farmers in Malawi (Chindime, Kibwika & Chagunda, 2017)
- The journey from an information platform to a knowledge management system (PAEPARD, 2017)
- Socio-economic determinants of pastoralists’ choice of camel production in Karamoja sub-region, Uganda (Salamula et al, 2017)
- Effect of harvesting time on groundnut yield and yield components in Northern Mozambique (Zuza et al, 2017)
- Revitalizing Agricultural Education and Training in South Africa (Consensus Study, 2017)

FEATURED VIDEO: Meet Muzhange Sarudzai, a MCF@RUFORUM Scholar 2017

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
- UN-Habitat Youth Photography Competition on climate change. The winner will be funded to attend COP-23 in Bonn, Germany, where their work will be displayed. Deadline: 30 September 2017
- Glinka World Soil Prize to honour contributions by individuals or organizations to the promotion of sustainable soil management and the protection of soil resources. Nomination deadline: 30 September 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
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**

**Young Scientist Travel Grant (YSTG)** to attend the International Conference on “Living territories for sustainable development”, 22-24 January, Montpellier. **Deadline: 13 October 2017**

**Kwame Nkrumah Regional Scientific Awards for Women 2017**. **Deadline: 31 October 2017**

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. **Deadline: Open till December 2018**

**Grand Challenges Explorations**. Grant opportunities to foster innovation to solve key health and development problems. Open to anyone from any country and discipline. **Deadline: 8 November 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**

**Scholarships and courses:**


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

- Wageningen University & Research MOOC on ‘Advanced Biobased Conversion’. This is a free online course

- **Trainings at the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA):**

- **Gateways Author and Editor Scholarly Mentoring Program** to support community-engaged scholars from developing countries. **Deadline: 30 September 2017**

- **Call for proposals for the Africa Climate Leadership Program (AfriCLP)**. A grants awards program to build leadership capacity in response to climate change. **Deadline: 30 September 2017**

- **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**

- **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**

- 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**

- **AuthorAID Online Course in Research Communication**. A free online course for early-career researchers in developing countries. **Deadline: 3 October 2017**

- **Mo Ibrahim Foundation Fellowship 2018**. For young professionals, mid-career, and/or new executives who are nationals of an African country, residing anywhere in the world. **Deadline: 15 October 2017**

- **Aspen Institute New Voices Fellowship 2018**. A year-long program in media skills, communication, and leadership for top development professionals in the developing world. **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**

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

HarvardX - Free online courses from Harvard University including data analysis, statistics and genomics. **Deadlines vary.**

STIAS Iso Lomso Fellowships. Three year fellowship for early career African researchers who hold an academic position at a university or research institution anywhere in Africa. **Deadline: 15 November 2017**

Schlumberger Foundation - Funding for Women in PhD and Post-Doctoral Studies 2018-2019 in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. **Deadline: 17 November 2017**

Australia Awards – Africa for master’s studies, short courses and post-doctoral fellowships. **Deadline: 30 November 2017** for post-docs; **15 December 2017** for masters; and **15 January 2018** for short courses

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.**

**New** Free e-learning courses from FAQ

**New** ICRA Courses 2018. Scholarships available:
- Learning, action research and outreach – Making higher education boost food security, 12 – 30 March 2018, Wageningen. For lecturers, trainers and researchers in tertiary agricultural education
- Facing rural innovation challenges - Linking research to inclusive development for food security 14 May – 1 June 2018, Wageningen. For professionals working in agricultural research, agribusiness, rural advisory services, food security and producer organisations.
- Building agribusiness relations for sustainable profit – Key skills for inclusive business brokerage 25 June – 6 July 2018, Ibadan. For agribusiness service providers and coaches working with smallholder farmers and agro-entrepreneurs.

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 African Combined Conference on “Sustainable agricultural systems for food security in Africa”, Cape Town, 14-18 January 2018. **Deadline: 30 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**

Call for submission of abstracts for WISE-Futures 1st International Conference on Water Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy Futures in a Changing Environment. **Deadline: 4 October 2017.**

**New** Call for articles: Nature & Faune Journal. Travel grants available for authors. **Deadline: 10 October 2017.**

Call for articles: Nature & Faune Journal on the theme, “Creating a forest landscape restoration movement in Africa”. **Deadline: 1 December 2017**
JOBS

- 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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