NEWS AND EVENTS

- Time to think about Higher Education for Sustainability
- LUANAR hosts RUFORUM delegates
- Driving the Africa Agenda
- Realising the potential of Africa’s hidden talent
- The Role of ICT in Africa’s Evolving Higher Education Sector
- Investments in Youth and Science to combat Hunger in Africa
- Wealth of Opportunity for Youth in Agriculture
- Event: 3rd Africa Regional Conference on Knowledge Management, 22-24 November 2017, Mombasa

PUBLICATIONS

- Assessment of experiential learning and teaching approaches in undergraduate programmes at the School of Agricultural Sciences, Makerere University, Uganda (Opolot et al., 2017)
- Analysis of risk attitudes and social capital in pineapple marketing: The case of small-scale Farmers in Luwero district, Uganda (Arinaitwe, Mshenga & Ayuya, 2017)
- Honeybee production practices in Sekota district, northern Ethiopia (Alemu, Seifu & Bezabih, 2017)
- Mapping spatial variability of hydric soil properties to delineate Khalong-la-lithunya wetlands (Rasekoele et al., 2017)
- Social networks and influence of actor centrality positions in Conservation Agriculture knowledge systems in Kenya (Achora et al., 2016)
- Design and simulation of an integrated solar cooker-dryer system (Ahumuza et al., 2016)

FEATURED VIDEO: RUFORUM at a glance

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- (RUFORUM call) Call for establishment of Agribusiness Incubation Hubs 2017/2018: RUFORUM Entrepreneurship Challenge Program (RECAP). Open to all RUFORUM member universities. Deadline: 30 December, 2017
- (RUFORUM call) Call for grant proposals under the Community Action Research Programme Plus Programme (CARP+) of RUFORUM. Deadline: 31 October 2017
- DAAD scholarships for postgraduate studies in Germany 2018-2019. Application deadlines vary across universities and programmes up to October 2017
- The Nestle Creating Shared Value Prize 2018 to help scale up or replicate business-oriented initiatives that address challenges in nutrition, water or rural development. Deadline: 31 October 2017
- World Academy of Sciences Research Professorships in Least-Developed Countries. Research groups and scientific institutions in LDCs should submit requests for visiting professors by 31 October 2017
• **Georg Forster Research Award** for academics of all disciplines. Nominees must be nationals of a developing or transition country excluding China and India. **Deadline: 31 October 2017**

• **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**

• **African Union Kwame Nkrumah Awards for Scientific Excellence (AUKNASE) Continental Award 2017**, **Deadline: 10 November 2017**

• **(New) International Network for Government Science Advice (INGSA) is offering professional development and research grants to support researchers or policy practitioners in low & middle income countries. Deadline: 15 November 2017**

• **Gro Bruntland Awards 2018**, Awardees will include four female scientists from developing countries working on research related to public health and sustainable development. **Deadline: 24 November 2017**

• **Hult Prize 2018**, Students from any college or university in the world are invited to form teams and apply. The winning team will be awarded US$1 million in seed capital. **Deadline: 23 December 2017**

• **IAAE 2018 Carl K. Eicher Award for Best Doctoral Dissertation in agricultural economics in Africa. Dissertations must have been completed during 2015, 2016 or 2017. Nomination deadline: 26 January 2018**

• **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**

• Masdar Institute scholarships for graduate studies in the UAE. Full scholarships for masters and doctoral degree programs in subject areas including water and environmental engineering. **Deadline: 31 October 2017**

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

• **USDA 2018 Borlaug Global Cocoa Initiative Fellowships**, For applicants from Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana and Liberia. **Deadline: 5 November 2017**

• **Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program**, For universities in Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda; and African-born scholars in the United States or Canada. **Deadline: 8 November 2017 (01 July 2018 and 08 December 2018)**

• **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**

• **World Bank Group Africa Fellowship Program 2018**, For PhD students or recent graduates who are Sub-Saharan nationals. **Deadline: 19 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**

• **International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB) — Arturo Falaschi Fellowships Programme**, **Deadline: 31 December for short-term fellowships**

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

• **American Association of University Women (AAUW) International Fellowship**, For women pursuing full-time graduate or postdoctoral study in the U.S. who are not citizens or permanent residents. **Deadline: 1 December 2017**

• **(New) Borlaug Fellowships in Agricultural Science and Technology 2018**, Offers training and collaborative research opportunities to scientists, researchers, and policymakers. **Deadline: 5 November 2017**

• **Elsevier Publishing Campus**; free online training platform for researchers to improve their knowledge and skills in publishing academic research
US National Academy of Sciences PEER Program invites scientists in developing countries to work with U.S. collaborators in research and capacity building on various topics. **Deadline: 12 January 2018**

*(New)* Application for 2018 intake at the Graduate Institute Geneva 2018 now open. For masters and PhD programs that address global, international, and transnational challenges. Financial aid available. **Deadline: 15 January 2018**

STEPS Summer School on Pathways to Sustainability, 14-25 May 2018, United Kingdom. For doctoral and postdoctoral researchers. Some scholarships are available. **Deadline: 28 January 2018**

*(New)* MasterCard Foundation scholars Program at Michigan State University (MSU) 2018. Scholarships for citizens and residents of Sub-Saharan Africa to undertake graduate study at MSU. **Deadline: 1 February 2018**

*(New)* Alexander von Humboldt Foundation — International Climate Protection Fellowships 2018, 20 fellowships for young climate experts from developing countries. **Deadline: 1 March 2018**

*(New)* Postdoctoral Fellowships on Innovative Methods and Metrics for Agriculture and Nutrition Actions (IMMANA Fellowships). Applicants may be of any nationality. **Deadline: 1 March 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 manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**

Call for papers and workshop proposals for the 4th International Association of Agricultural Information Specialists (IAALD) – Africa Conference 2018, Pretoria. **Deadline: 31 October 2017**

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

Call for submission of papers (oral and visual) for the 30th International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE 2018) in Vancouver, 28 July – 2 August 2018. **Deadline: 15 January 2018**

**JOBS**

Food and Agriculture Organization Fellowship Programme. Applicants should have a graduate or post-graduate degree, or be enrolled in a PhD programme. There are no age limits. **Deadline: 31 December 2017**

**FAO RISE Call for Expression of Interest to join FAO roster of experts in rural Institutions and services; community mobilization and empowerment, and rural finance. **Deadline: 1 November 2017**

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