

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Reflections on the 13th RUFORUM AGM](#)
- [Visit to Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources \(LUANAR\)](#)
- [Adapting the EARTH University Model in Africa](#)
- [Two centres of excellence launched at Makerere University](#)
- [Educating for the fourth industrial revolution](#)
- [Leading philanthropists announce Co-Impact, a new \\$500 million fund for systems change](#)
- **Event:** [2nd African Symposium on Mycotoxicology, 24-27 June 2018, Mombasa, Kenya](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Indigenous knowledge systems and climate change management in Africa \(Mafongoya & Ajayi \(eds.\), 2017\)](#)
- [Non-timber forest products and their contribution to households income around Falgore Game Reserve in Kano, Nigeria \(Suleiman et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Structural feature engineering approach for detecting polymorphic malware \(Masabo et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Integrated feature extraction approach towards detection of polymorphic malware in executable files \(Masabo et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Sharing higher education's promise beyond the few in Sub-Saharan Africa \(Darvas et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Revitalising agricultural education and training in South Africa: consensus study report \(Academy of Science of South Africa, 2017\)](#)
- [Tree species diversity promotes above ground carbon storage through functional diversity and functional dominance \(Mensah et al, 2016\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Climate-smart farming helps a community in Kenya thrive in the face of climate change](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Special call for applications: Ten RUFORUM Community-Based Field Attachment Programme Awards.](#) For MSc and PhD students who have recently graduated or who have submitted their theses and are awaiting results. **Deadline: 30 November 2017**
- **(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**
- **(New)** [ISDE Travel award for young scientists.](#) ISDE will award the young scientist best paper and support the awardee to participate in The 7th Digital Earth Summit 2018 in Morocco. **Deadline: 24 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**
- [Student challenge: design the ultimate urban greenhouse.](#) Open to students in universities around the world. Queries should be submitted to: rio.pals@wur.nl. **Deadline: 30 November 2017**
- [IFS Individual Research Grants](#) for promising young developing country researchers. Research areas include water resources research and food security. **Deadline: 31 December 2017**

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- 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**
- **(New)** BioInnovate 2nd call for concept notes for sustainable bioinnovations towards value addition and agro/bioprocessing for smallholder farmers and communities in eastern Africa. **Deadline: 2 February 2018**
- Erasmus+ call for proposals for capacity building in the field of higher education 2018. **Deadline: 8 February 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)** MCF@RUFORUM Scholarships 2018. For BSc and MSc programmes tenable at Egerton University and Gulu University. **Deadline: 30 March 2018**
- **(RUFORUM call)** PhD Training Opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program. **Applications will be accepted throughout the year**
- **(New)** Free FAO online course on “Enhancing efficiency and effectiveness of food security cluster coordination”. **Applications will be accepted throughout the year**
- World Bank Group Africa Fellowship Program 2018. For PhD students or recent graduates who are nationals of Sub-Saharan countries. **Deadline: 19 November 2017**
- **(New)** The Global Landscapes Forum Youth Ambassador program. A one year social media outreach mentoring and internship for foreign students and professionals based in Europe.
- **(New)** International On-Line Course on Postharvest & Fresh-Cut Technologies, 1 December 2017 - 31 July 2018. Registration grants available. **Deadline: 28 November 2017**
- **(New)** DAAD PhD scholarships tenable at LUANAR in the fields of Aquaculture and Fisheries Science & Rural Development and Extension. **Deadline: 30 November 2017**
- DAAD-PhD fellowship opportunities in Higher Education Studies at the University of Kwazulu-Natal. **Deadline: 30 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**
- 2017 call for applications from the TWAS-UNESCO Associateship Scheme. Enables researchers from the developing countries to visit participating centres of excellence in the South for research collaboration. Applicants must hold a PhD or equivalent degree. **Deadline: 1 December 2017**
- International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB) — Arturo Falaschi Fellowships Programme. **Deadline: 31 December for short-term fellowships**
- Free e-learning courses from FAO
- American Association of University Women (AAUW) International Fellowship. For women pursuing full-time graduate or post-doctoral study in the U.S. who are not citizens or permanent residents. **Deadline: 1 December 2017**
- Matasa Fellowships for young African researchers. Fellows will be supported to produce a synthesis paper and policy brief on the theme “Youth Employment and Private Sector Growth in Africa”. **Deadline: 7 December 2017**
- **(New)** Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowships. 1-2 year fellowship for post-doctoral research in the UK. **Deadline: 11 December 2017**
- 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**
- 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**

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- [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**
- [Erasmus Mundus Joint Master in Sustainable Territorial Development - STeDe](#). Scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 January 2018**
- [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**
- [IITA fellowships to promote research on "Youth engagement in agribusiness and rural economic activities in Africa"](#). **Deadline: 28 February 2018**
- [Call for applications: Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree in International Development Studies \(GLODEP\) intake for 2018-2020](#). Full scholarships available. **Deadline: 28 February 2018**
- [Alexander von Humboldt Foundation — International Climate Protection Fellowships 2018](#). 20 fellowships for young climate experts from developing countries. **Deadline: 1 March 2018**
- [Postdoctoral Fellowships on Innovative Methods and Metrics for Agriculture and Nutrition Actions \(IMMANA Fellowships\)](#). Applicants may be of any nationality. **Deadline: 1 March 2018 for full proposals**
- [Elsevier Publishing Campus](#): free online training platform for researchers to improve their knowledge and skills in publishing academic research
- [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**
- **(New)** [ITC/ILO on-line course on "Futures, foresight and horizon scanning"](#), 27 November 2017 - 28 January 2018. Fellowships available to participants from developing countries. **Deadline: 22 November 2017**
- **(New)** [Digital media bootcamp at the Global Landscapes Forum \(Bonn, 16-20 December\)](#). Open to youth and professional communications staff. Bootcamp is free, but participants have to fund their travel and accommodation.
- [Call for papers for the 10th Scientific Conference and Annual General Meeting: Agricultural Economics Society of Tanzania \(AGREST\)](#) to be held on 15 & 16th March 2018 in Dodoma. **Deadline: 30 November 2017**
- [Call for abstracts for the conference "Sorghum in the 21st Century"](#), 9-12 April 2018, Cape Town. Sponsorship available. **Deadline: 30 November 2017 (oral presentations) & 31 January 2018 (posters)**
- [Call for articles: Nature & Faune Journal](#) on the theme, "Creating a forest landscape restoration movement in Africa". **Deadline: 1 December 2017**
- [Call for proposals for seminars, panel contributions, posters, and materials for symposium on "](#), University of Illinois. Funding available to support travel for a limited number of graduate students. **Deadline: 15 January 2018**
- [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**
- [Call for papers for the 2nd Symposium on Climate Change Adaptation in Africa](#), to be held in Ibadan, Nigeria on 14 & 15 May 2018. **Deadline: 20 January 2018**

WEBINAR

- **(New)** [GFAR Communications Webinar: "The webinar on webinars"](#), 21 November 2017
- [AgriFoSe2030 webinar on "How to write policy briefs in the field of sustainable agriculture and food security"](#), 14 December 2017

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JOBS

- **(RUFORUM job)** Job Opportunity at RUFORUM Secretariat: Communication, Publicity and Marketing Officer. **Deadline: 20 November 2017**
- Call for expression of interest in supervising PhD students at the African Center of Excellence in Data Science, University of Rwanda. **Deadline: 20 November 2017**
- World Vegetable Centre is seeking an experienced nutritionist (PhD) to join their global flagship 'Healthy Diets'. The position will be based in Arusha, Tanzania. **Deadline: 20 November 2017**
- **(New)** FAO consultancies in capacity development for agricultural innovation. **Deadline: 22 November 2017**
- Director of Strategy and Communications at the African Fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership. The position will be based either in Johannesburg or Accra. **Deadline: 24 November 2017**
- **(New)** Policy Advisor at the Secretariat of Global Donor Platform for Rural Development hosted by the German implementing agency (GIZ) in Bonn. **Deadline: 31 December 2017**
- 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**

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