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- [Africa's population explosion bad news for future food security](#)
- [Agricultural transformation and the role of African universities](#)
- [Higher education in the context of science diplomacy and merit reviews](#)
- **Event:** [AAU Workshop on Facilitating University-Industry Linkages](#), Addis Ababa, 6 – 8 February 2018

PUBLICATIONS

- **(RUFORUM publication)** [Bringing science to communities: voices from the field](#) (RUFORUM, 2017)
- [Funding agricultural research for development: lessons from the PAEPARD Project](#) (PAEPARD, 2017)
- [Characterisation of spatial and temporal distribution of the fire regime in Niassa National Reserve, northern Mozambique](#) (Ribeiro et al, 2017)
- [Information quality, sharing and usage in farmer organizations: The case of rice value chains in Bugiri and Luwero Districts, Uganda](#) (Rugema, Sseguya & Kibwika, 2017)
- [Partnership construction and value co-creation to address voids in rice production: The case of rice value chains in Uganda](#) (Rugema, Kibwika & Sseguya, 2017)
- [Dietary aflatoxin exposure among children \(6-24 months\) in Morogoro rural district, Tanzania](#) (Beata, 2017)
- [Increasing the value of climate finance in an uncertain environment: Diaspora financial resources as a source of climate finance for Sub-Saharan Africa](#) (Chirambo, 2017)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Highlights from the RUFORUM AGM 2017](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- [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**
- [IFS Individual Research Grants](#) for promising young developing country researchers. Research areas include water resources research and food security. **Deadline: 31 December 2017**
- [AuthorAID travel grants \(USD 1500 each\)](#). For early-career researchers to present their research at an academic conference. **Deadline: 3 January 2018**
- [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**

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- [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:

- *(New –RUFORUM call)* [MSc and PhD scholarships on Food and Nutrition Securities from the Africa Centre of Excellence for Research, Agricultural advancement, Teaching Excellence and Sustainability](#) at the Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology (NM-AIST), Tanzania. **Deadline: 15 December 2017**
- *(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
- [Australia Awards – Africa](#) for master’s studies and short courses. **Deadline: 15 December 2017 for masters & 15 January 2018 for short courses**
- *(New)* [IITA Fellowships to Promote Research on “Youth Engagement in Agribusiness and Rural Economic Activities in Africa”](#). For young scholars and students at the post-course work/research stage of their programs for the study. **Deadline: 28 February 2018**
- [Free e-learning courses from FAO](#)
- [Israeli Agency for International Development \(MASHAV\) professional courses in early 2018](#). Subject areas include agriculture, energy and education. A limited number of scholarships available. **Deadlines vary**
- [Gates Cambridge Scholarship](#). For citizens of any country outside the United Kingdom to pursue full-time residential postgraduate courses (including PhD & MSc) at the University of Cambridge. **Deadline: Dependent on course - either 6 December 2017 or 4 January 2018**
- [Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowships](#). 1-2 year fellowships for post-doctoral research in the UK. **Deadline: 11 December 2017**
- [Telemachus International Mentoring Programme 2018](#). For young individuals aged between 18 - 29 from all over the world. **Deadline: 15 December 2017**
- [International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology \(ICGEB\) — Arturo Falaschi Fellowships Programme](#). **Deadline: 31 December for short-term fellowships**
- [RIS-ITEC Programme on Science Diplomacy, 8 -19 January 2018, New Delhi](#). Open to government officials, academicians, researchers and journalists from developing and transition economies who are ITEC members. Costs will be covered by the Government of India. **Deadline: 31 December 2017**

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- [Oxford-Weidenfeld and Hoffmann Scholarships and Leadership Programme](#). Supports outstanding postgraduate students from developing and emerging economies to undertake post-graduate studies at the University of Oxford. **Deadline: Varied dates in January 2018, depending on the course**
- [International Joint Masters' Degree Programme in Limnology & Wetland Management \(LWM\) 2018](#). Deadline: 8 January 2018 for applicants intending to apply for fellowships. **Deadline for ADC and OKP fellowship application is 31st January 2018**
- [Innovation Prize for Africa 2018](#). Priority areas include agriculture/agribusiness, environment and ICT. Open to all Africans including those living in the diaspora. **Deadline: 10 January 2018**
- [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**
- Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Degree in Environmental Sciences, Policy and Management (MESPOM). Open to all countries. **Deadline for applicants seeking financial aid: 15 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**
- [STEPS Summer School on Pathways to Sustainability](#), 14-25 May 2018, United Kingdom. For doctoral and postdoctoral researchers. Scholarships available. **Deadline: 28 January 2018**
- [Erasmus Mundus Joint Master in Sustainable Territorial Development - STeDe](#). Scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 January 2018**
- [University of Antwerp Master's Programmes in Development Studies 2018-2019](#). Scholarships available for applicants from a number of African countries. **Deadline: 1 February 2018 (VLIR-UOS scholarship) & 15 February 2018 (Master Mind scholarship)**
- **(New)** [VLIR-UOS scholarships for the year 2018-2019](#). For selected trainings or masters programmes taught in English at a Belgian (Flemish) university or university college. **Deadline: Varies by programme applied for**
- [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)** [Course on Entrepreneurship in emerging economies](#) offered by Wageningen University & Research. Worth two ECTS credits. **Deadline: 14 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

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- [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 for Göttingen-CODATA RDM Symposium 2018](#). Topic of the symposium is ‘The critical role of university RDM infrastructure in transforming data to knowledge’. **Deadline: 22 December 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for conference on Adaptation Futures 2018](#), 18-21 June 2018, Cape Town. **Deadline: 15 January 2018**
- [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**
- [Call for abstracts for the conference “Sorghum in the 21st Century”](#), 9-12 April 2018, Cape Town. Sponsorship available. **Deadline: 31 January 2018 for posters**

WEBINARS

- **(New)** [Mainstreaming youth - the good, the best, and the ugly](#), 12 December 2017
- [AgriFoSe2030 webinar on “How to write policy briefs in the field of sustainable agriculture and food security”](#), 14 December 2017
- [How are the pathways to resilience in pastoralist areas of Eastern Africa evolving?](#), 10 January 2018

JOBS

- **(New)** [Global Head of Breeding at the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics \(ICRISAT\)](#). The position will be based in India. **Deadline: 15 December 2017**
- [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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