

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [RUFORUM Annual General Meeting 2017 to be held 26th-28th October, 2017 in Lilongwe, Malawi](#)
- [African universities discuss science, technology at Malawi Summit](#)
- [African universities recruit too many students](#)
- [Staying connected in the diaspora – A key to development](#)
- [Mobile learning can make HE accessible to millions of displaced people in Africa](#)
- **Events:** [7th International Conference on Managing Quality in Chains \(MQUIC\)](#) and [2nd International Symposium on Ornamentals](#) 4-7 September 2017, Stellenbosch

PUBLICATIONS

- [The role of the bushpigs in the epidemiology of African swine fever at the wildlife-livestock interfaces in Uganda \(Ogweng, 2017\)](#)
- [Mitochondrial DNA \(mtDNA\) markers reveal low genetic variation and the presence of two honey bee races in Uganda's agro-ecological zones \(Kasangaki et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Integrated peanut aflatoxin management for increase income and nutrition in Northern Ghana \(Sugri et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Towards effective soybean seed systems in Benin: Current situation and prospects for production and delivery of good quality seed \(Ayenan et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Africa Capacity Report 2017: building capacity in science, technology and innovation for Africa's transformation \(Africa Capacity Building Foundation, 2017\)](#)
- [An ICT agripreneurship guide: a path to success for young ACP entrepreneurs \(CTA, 2017\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Reviving an industry: universities take on challenges](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [IMPRESSA Awards 2017](#). RUFORUM award recognizing **outstanding university scientists contributing to agricultural Research and Science for Development in Africa**. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
- Grant opportunities from NEPAD SANBio (Southern Africa Network for Biosciences):
 - [Call for partner facilitated training and capacity building](#). **Deadline: 10 May 2017**
 - [Call for proposals for innovative solutions using indigenous knowledge systems](#). **Deadline: 18 May 2017**
 - [Call for proposals for innovative solutions in nutrition and health](#). **Deadline: 19 May 2017**
- [VLIR-UOS Call for projects 2018 in partnership with Flemish universities](#). **Deadline: 12 May 2017**
- [Call for use-inspired research tackling global challenges to the benefit of the most vulnerable people in Low- and Middle-Income Countries \(LMICs\)](#). **Deadline: 23 May 2017**.

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- **(New)** [Best Climate Practices Contest 2017](#). The theme for this year's contest is "Building local resilience to climate disaster risk". **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** [Food Sustainability Media Award](#) for journalists from around the world reporting on food security, sustainable agriculture, and nutrition. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** [BioInnovate Africa Phase II call for concept notes for creating value for smallholder farming communities through sustainable bioinnovations](#). Limited to eastern Africa. **Deadline: 2 June 2017**
- [Call for nominations: Africa Food Prize](#). A US \$100,000 prize that celebrates Africans who are taking control of Africa's agriculture agenda. **Deadline: 5 June 2017**
- [LEAP-Agri call for proposals for African European collaborative research on Sustainable Agriculture and Aquaculture and on Food and Nutrition Security](#). **Deadline: 15 June 2017**
- [The 2017 BCFN YES! Research Grant Competition](#) invites young PhD and postdoc researchers from any background and nationality to submit a research project on food sustainability. **Deadline: 28 June 2017**
- [The Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund 2016/2017](#) for scientists employed within African National Agricultural Research Systems. Applications will be accepted on an on-going basis **until 30 June 2017**
- **(New)** [Best Sweet Potato Scientific Paper Award – 2017 Edition](#). **Deadline: 30 July 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**
- [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](#). Supports young scientists to present research results at various fora. Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime

Scholarships and courses:

- **(New - RUFORUM Call)** [Staff Exchange Fellowship at the Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources](#). **Deadline: 30th June 2017**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [PhD Training Opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program](#). **Applications will be accepted throughout the year**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for proposals for the RUFORUM Field Attachment Program Award \(FAPA\)](#). **Proposals will be accepted throughout 2017**
- **(New)** [JIRCAS Visiting Research Fellowship](#) for researchers in developing countries to collaborate with Japanese counterparts on research in agriculture, forestry, and fisheries. **Deadline: 8 May 2017**
- **(New)** [Commonwealth Distance Learning Scholarship for Masters Courses in the UK 2017](#). Applicants must be permanently resident in a developing Commonwealth country. **Deadline: 12 May 2017**
- **(New)** [Training course for university staff on "Management of Internationalisation"](#). Partial funding available through DAAD. **Deadline: 15 May 2017**
- **(New)** [The Association of African Universities \(AAU\) Graduate Internship Grant](#). Small grants of up to US\$600 per student for graduate internships for students in AAU member universities. **Deadline: 23 May 2017**
- **(New)** [PhD studies at the African Center of Excellence in Internet of Things \(ACEIoT\), University of Rwanda](#). Scholarships available for eligible students from Eastern and Southern Africa. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**

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- MSc and PhD studies at the Africa Center of Excellence for Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Conservation. Scholarships available for students from Eastern and Southern Africa. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** PhD Training Fellowships for Women Scientists from 66 developing countries. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- **(New)** Pan African University call for applications for the 2017/2018 academic year. The African Union Commission will offer full scholarships to successful African candidates. **Deadline: 31 May 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
- **(New)** GREAT course in gender-responsive cereal grain breeding for small, interdisciplinary teams of researchers from sub-Saharan Africa. Partial funding support is available. **Deadline: 9 June 2017**
- Intra-Africa Mobility program MoBreed: Applications invited for MSc and PhD in Orphan Crops breeding. **Deadline: 10 June 2017**
- **(New)** International Tropical Timber Organization Fellowships 2017. Eligible African countries include Benin, Cameroon, DR Congo, Ghana, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali and Mozambique. **Deadline: 20 Jun 2017**
- **(New)** LEARN Postdoctoral Fellowship in Livestock Emissions Research. Support for an emerging scientist from a developing country to complete a research project in New Zealand. **Deadline: 30 June 2017**
- **(New)** Scholarships to study courses in Chinese universities in the 2017/2018 Academic Year. **Deadlines vary**
- German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) postgraduate scholarships 2017-2018 for study of development-related subjects at German universities. **Deadlines vary by course**.
- Arturo Falaschi ICGEB (International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology) Research Fellowships for research in Trieste, New Delhi, and Cape Town. **Deadlines vary by course**
- Food Security courses at the Wageningen Centre for Development Innovation in 2017. Fellowships available. **Deadlines vary by course**
- 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)** Call for abstracts for the Agri4D Conference, Uppsala, 20-21 September 2017. **Deadline: 15 May 2017**
- Call for submission of abstracts for Annual Conference of the Pan African Society for Agricultural Engineering, 19-21 November 2017, Nairobi. **Deadline: 15 May 2017**
- Call for papers for 3rd International Conference on Global Food Security, 3-6 December 2017, Cape Town. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- Call for papers for 3rd Africa Regional Conference on Knowledge Management, Nairobi. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**
- Call for papers for the 3rd Annual International Conference of the African Association for the Study of Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Johannesburg. **Deadline: 31 May 2017**

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- **(New)** Call for abstracts for oral and poster presentations for the International Colloquium for Scientific Exchange on Cashew (CIESA) from 26 to 28 September 2017 in Abidjan. **Deadline: 30 June 2017**
- **(New)** Call for abstract submission for the 22nd AAIS (African Association of Insect Scientists) Meeting and Scientific Conference, 23-26 October 2017, Wad Medani. **Deadline: 30 June 2017**

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