NEWS AND EVENTS

- Postgraduate studies awakened my zeal to contribute to a food secure Africa
- RUFORUM supports Gulu University to exhibit training and research innovations
- Association of African Universities opens regional office
- TVET – The new stepbrother to higher education?
- Is there merit in providing greater support for private HE institutions in Africa?
- What do the next 10 years hold for higher education?
- African heads of state throw their weight behind science

PUBLICATIONS

- Challenges in the collaboration between European and African universities for doctoral training (Rihoux & Kabwigiri, 2018)
- Diasporas’ contribution in the establishment of PhD Programme of Kiswahili language: a case of the State University of Zanzibar (Maalim, Khalfan, Ziddy, 2018)
- Impact of climate change on rice farmer income in Togo (Alpha et al, 2018)
- A review of cross border higher education in Africa: focus on graduate level training in engineering and technology (Banadda et al, 2017)
- Effect of deep-litter floor and battery cages system on the productive performance of commercial layers in Elobied, Sudan (Ismail, 2017)
- Determinants of adoption of potato production in the low land areas of Uganda (Kyanjo, Mugisha & Bagamba, 2016)

FEATURED VIDEO: Managing tomato leaf curl virus

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- (New) Halcyon Incubator Fall 2018 Fellowship. Support for early-stage social entrepreneurs from all around the world to transform their ideas into scalable and sustainable ventures. Deadline: 4 April 2018
- (New) AGNES Intra-Africa Mobility Grant for Junior Researchers 2018. Selected researchers from sub-Saharan African countries will spend 1 - 2 months at a university/research institute in another sub-Saharan African country. Deadline: 6 April 2018
- USAID grant: Accelerating Local Potential. To support human and institutional capacity building collaborations between higher education institutions in the United States and those in low- and middle-income countries. Deadline: 6 April 2018
- (New) 2018 Geneva Challenge on Climate Change. For teams of graduate students from all around the world. This year’s prizes include one for universities located in Africa. Deadline: 16 April 2018
- IDRC call for proposals - Accelerating climate action: Social equity and empowerment of women and girls. Deadline: 23 April 2018
- Feed the Future Accelerating Women Entrepreneurs Prize. Deadline: 25 April 2018
- TWAS prizes:
  - TWAS–Fayzah M. Al-Kharafi Prize. Recognizes women scientists in the field of Agricultural Sciences or Biology. Deadline: 25 April 2018
TWAS Medal Lectures. Awarded to TWAS members, in recognition of their achievements in their fields of research. The recipients lecture on a main aspect of their work. **Deadline: Open**

Abdus Salam Medal. Awarded to highly distinguished personalities who have served the cause of science in the Developing World. No limit on age, country or field. **Deadline: Open**

TWAS–C.N.R. Rao Award for Scientific Research. Honours TWAS Fellows from the Least Developed Countries, who have made significant contributions to global science. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**

- **(New) DAAD Journalistic Scholarship for African nationals.** Selected candidates will meet with geo-scientists to get in contact with the latest methods of modern geoscientific research. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- **(New) UNFCC Momentum for Change 2018** invites the submission of on innovative, scalable, and replicable examples of what people around the world are doing to address climate change. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Michigan State University/Alliance for African Partnership (AAP). Seeks proposals for partnership activities which directly address AAP's Transforming Institutions pillar. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- BMCE Bank of Africa — African Entrepreneurship Award 2018. Submissions are invited from for-profit businesses managed by Africans who are at least 18 years old. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- GCHERA World Agriculture Prize 2018. Two prizes will be awarded, with at least one awarded to a person from a country not listed as a country with a developed economy. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Grand Challenges Explorations grant opportunities from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. **Deadline: 2 May 2018**
  - Affordable, accessible, and appealing: the next generation of nutrition
  - Tools and technologies for broad-scale disease surveillance of crop plants in low-income countries
- The UNESCO-Japan Prize on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD). Honours outstanding projects by individuals, institutions and organizations related to ESD. **Deadline: 3 May 2018**
- TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences (Individuals). Awarded to promising high-level research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by individual scientists. **Deadline: 11 May 2018**
- TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences (Groups). Awarded to promising high-level research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by research units. **Deadline: 11 May 2018**
- **(New) NORPART call for applications 2018.** Funding for long-term projects between higher education institutions in Norway and selected developing countries. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
- 2018 BCFN YES! Research Grant Competition invites young PhD and postdoc researchers to submit a research project to improve the sustainability of the food system. **Deadline: 14 June 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**
- Free e-learning courses from FAQ
- Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Project: Partnership for Training Scientist in Crop Improvement for Food Security in Africa (SCIFSA). Fellowships for PhD and MSc as well as short-term mobility for students and staff. **Deadline: 5 April 2018**
- Call for scholarships: Intra-Africa Academic mobility Project - Regional Academic Exchange for Enhanced Skills in Fragile Ecosystems Management in Africa (REFORM). Fellowships for PhDs and MSc as well as short term mobility for students and staff. **Deadline: 7 April 2018**
- PhD scholarship at University of Bonn for research on “Perennial polyculture farming in Uganda: towards increased sustainability, resilience and livelihoods of smallholder farmers”. **Deadline: 8 April 2018**
- IPBO/VIB-UGent center for Plant Systems Biology course on "Modern Breeding techniques of maize". 20 August – 7 September 2018. Scholarships available. **Deadline: 8 April 2018**
- Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program. Open to applicants from developing countries who are applying to a master degree program in a development-related topic. **Deadline: 12 April 2018**
- MoBreed (Mobility for Breeders in Africa) grant for MSc and academic/administrative staff exchange in orphan crops breeding. **New deadline: 15 April 2018**

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- Free online SDG Academy course - Feeding a Hungry Planet: Agriculture, Nutrition and Sustainability. **Starts on 16 April 2018**
- **(New)** Commonwealth Shared Scholarships 2018. For candidates from least developed and lower middle income Commonwealth countries to undertake master’s study at UK universities. **Deadline: 17 April 2018**
- **(New)** Master in High Performance Computing, coordinated by ICTP and the International School for Advanced Studies (SISSA), Italy. Scholarships available for successful applicants from developing countries. **Deadline: 20 April 2018**
- Borel Global Fellows Programme, Master’s degree training at the University of Delaware for students from selected African countries to study areas vital to food security in Africa. **Deadline: 20 April 2018**
- Call for applications to masters and doctoral programmes at the Pan African University. The African Union Commission will offer full scholarships to successful African candidates. **Deadline: 20 April 2018**
- **(New)** Bertelsmann Data Science Scholarship Program. Applicants 18 years of age or older are invited to apply. **Deadline: 22 April 2018**
- John Allwright Fellowship 2018. For university post-graduate studies in Australia who are citizens of ACIAR’s priority partner countries. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- MSc and PhD scholarships at the Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Agriculture and Agribusiness Management (CESAAM) hosted at Egerton University in Kenya. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Mwalimu Nyerere African Union Scholarship Scheme 2018. For female applicants only for masters and PhD programmes in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- International Training Course on Organic Agriculture: People, knowledge and food systems, 10 July – 2 August 2018, Uganda. **Deadline: 3 May 2018**
- PhD position at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences on the project Improved disease control by community participation - the case of African swine fever in northern Uganda". **Deadline: 4 May 2018**
- MSc and PhD programmes at the Africa Centre of Excellence for Water Management (ACEWM) at Addis Ababa University. Limited partial and full scholarships available. **Deadline: 30 May 2018**
- **(New)** CICOPS Scholarships 2019. 10 scholarships for researchers from developing countries to study for a period of 4-12 weeks at the University of Pavia, Italy. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
- Master of Science in Tropical Animal Health offered by the Institute of Tropical Medicine of Antwerp and University of Pretoria. Scholarships available for developing country applicants. **Deadline: 15 August 2018**
- UNU-WIDER Visiting PhD Fellowship. Opportunity for doctoral students to utilize the facilities at UNU-WIDER for their PhD dissertation or thesis research. **Deadline: 30 September 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 research application summaries/extended abstracts and posters for the RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2018. **Deadline: 31 July 2018**
- **(RUFORUM call)** Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- Call for papers for the 9th International Agriculture Symposium “AGROSYM 2018” to be held on 4-7 October 2018 in Jahorina mountain (near Sarajevo), Bosnia and Herzegovina. **Deadline: 20 April 2018**
- Call for conference abstracts & posters for SciDataCon-IDW 2018 on the theme, ‘The Digital Frontiers of Global Science’. The conference will take place on 5-8 November in Gaborone. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Call for Papers for the 5th International Conference on Technology & Management. Hosted by the Uganda Technology and Management University, 6-7 August 2018, Kampala. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Call for abstracts for the International APIMONDIA Symposium 2018 on the ‘Role of Bees in Food Production’, 30 November - 4 December 2018, Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Call for abstracts for the 1st Africa Conference on Evidence to Action (E2A), 25 - 27 July 2018, Nairobi. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**
- Call for papers and posters for the 7th All African Conference on Animal Agriculture (7th AACAA), 15-19 October 2018, Accra. **Deadline: 30 April 2018**

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- Call for abstracts for the First “Revolution in Food and Biomass Production (REFAB)” Conference, 1-2 October 2018, Cologne
- Call for abstracts for the 8th Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference (ANEC VIII), 1–5 October 2018, Addis Ababa. Deadline: 30 June 2018
- The International Journal of Agricultural Resources, Governance and Ecology, welcomes papers on climate change and agriculture, especially from developing countries (Africa in particular)

WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

- FAO e-conference on “The role of small farms within a larger context of food security”, 19 March – 9 April 2018
- FAO/ITOCA Webinar on “AGRIS for agricultural information data providers”, 6 April 2018

JOBS

- Africa Union/UNESCO-IICBA Consultancy: Finalising the Draft Continental Teacher Mobility Protocol. Deadline: 6 April 2018
- ICT4Ag Project officer at the Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation (CTA), Netherlands. Deadline: 8 April 2018
- (New) Value Chain Analysis for Development (VCA4D): call for experts for value chain analysis on processed fruit in the Dominican Republic. Deadline: 13 April 2018

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