

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [\[Issue 12\] Media Monitoring. Extract for Higher Education news in Africa](#)
- [RUFORUM Vision 2030 first Five year Operational Plan approved by the Board](#)
- [Dr Uwituze Solange appointed to the Rwanda Agriculture and Animal Resources Development Board \(RAB\)](#)
- [Entrepreneurship training transformed my life: I started three businesses](#)
- [Plans for the International Finance Facility for Education take shape](#)
- [Internationalisation of higher education through distance learning](#)
- **Events:**
 - **(RUFORUM event)** [6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi](#)
 - [2nd International Conference for Food Safety and Security, 15–17 October 2018, Pretoria](#)
 - [AAU Innovative and Quality Research Methods Knowledge and Skills Training Workshop, 27 -31 May 2018, Harare](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [African Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in Higher Education – Draft \(2018\)](#)
- [Are African households \(not\) leaving agriculture? Patterns of households' income sources in rural Sub-Saharan Africa \(Davis, Giuseppe & Zezza, 2017\)](#)
- [Factors explaining producer perception towards weather index micro-insurance: Evidence from Kenya \(Isaboke et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Effects of harvesting date on aflatoxin contamination in groundnuts in northern Mozambique \(Zuza et al, 2016\)](#)
- [The potential of commercial preservation of tomatoes using a mixed-mode solar drying technology in rural Botswana \(Ebangu, Dintwa & Motsamai, 2016\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Weaver ants against fruit flies](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **(RUFORUM call)** [RUFORUM Young African Entrepreneurs Competition 2018 is now open](#). Open to African entrepreneurs and incubatees below 35 years of age. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- [Pitch AgriHack 2018](#). A competition to support young agricultural entrepreneurs to build viable businesses and boost innovation for a more sustainable agricultural sector. **Deadline: 21 May 2018**
- [African Union Research Grants II Open Call for Proposals 2018 Edition](#). The call supports research on: Food, Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture (FNSSA). **Deadline: 22 May 2018**
- TWAS prizes:
 - [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**
 - [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**
- [Call for Nominations for the 2018 TWAS Young Affiliates](#). For researchers from developing nations who have at least 10 international publications. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**

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- [NORPART call for applications 2018](#). Funding opportunity for long-term projects between higher education institutions in Norway and selected developing countries. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**
- [SDC calls for proposals on: 1\) Innovations in city region food systems and \(2\) Ecologically sustainable water management for food security and nutrition in agriculture and food systems](#). **Deadline: 11 June 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**
- [APSA Challenge Science and Technology – Ethiopia 2018: Technologies for Sustainable Development](#). African scientists working in Africa are eligible to participate. **Deadline: 30 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 FAO](#)
- [CODATA-RDA Research Data Science Summer School and Advanced Workshops, Trieste, Italy 2018](#). There is no registration fee. Some support for travel and accommodation is available. **Deadline 21 May 2018**
- [GENES mobility grant for MSc and PhD studies in plant genomics](#). Open to all students from any of the partner universities and to students from other African universities. **Deadline: 30 May 2018**
- [IDRC Doctoral Research Awards 2018](#). Open to Canadians, permanent residents of Canada, and citizens of developing countries pursuing doctoral studies at a Canadian university. **Deadline: 30 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**
- [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**
- [Commonwealth Distance Learning Scholarships to support distance learning Master's degree courses](#). Applicants must be permanently resident in a developing Commonwealth country. **Deadline: 20 June 2018**
- [Call for PhD and MSc applications at the Africa Center of Excellence for Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Conservation at Haramaya University](#). **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
- [NAWA development assistance for Sub-Saharan Africa](#). Offers places in higher education institutions in Poland without any fees. **Deadline: 15 July 2018**
- **(New)** [The African Center for Agro-Ecology and Livelihood Systems \(ACALISE\) hosted at Uganda Martyrs University invites applications for 10 PhD and 108 MSc scholarships](#). **Deadline: 16 July 2018**
- [Sofja Kovalevskaja Award for young research talents](#). Junior academics of all disciplines from abroad, who completed their doctorates within the last six years, are eligible apply. Award winners receive up to €1.65 million each. **Deadline: 31 July 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**
- [UNFCCC–UNU Early Career Climate Fellowship Programme](#). For young people from developing countries. Fellowships may last from six months to two years. **Deadline: 16 August 2018**
- [Early Career Women Scientists \(ECWS\) Fellowships](#). For women who have completed their PhDs in STEM subjects and are employed at an academic or scientific research institute. **Deadline: 31 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**
- [OWSD Early Career Women Scientists \(ECWS\) fellowship](#). For women who have completed their PhDs in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**

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- [Leibniz-Institute of Freshwater Ecology and Inland Fisheries Fellowship in Freshwater Science](#). Fellowships for PhD students, postdocs and senior scientists for 6-24 months. **Deadline: 1 December 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 submission of abstracts to the international Congress at the University of Hohenheim, Germany, 5-6 September 2018](#). **Deadline: 18 May 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: 31 May 2018**
- [Call for papers for the 4th Africa Regional Conference on Knowledge Management](#). **Deadline: 15 June 2018**
- [Call for papers for the 14th International Digital Curation Conference, 4-7 February 2019, Melbourne](#). **Deadline: papers and lightning talks -18 June 2018; events -31 July 2018; posters -30 September 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the International Conference on Sustainability Research and Transformation, 6-8 February 2019 in Lüneburg, Germany](#). **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
- [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 Africa.
- [Call for abstracts for the WACCI International Conference on Food and Nutrition Security in Africa, 3-4 October 2018, University of Ghana](#). **Deadline: 27 July 2018**
- [Call for papers for IEEE Open Innovations Conference 2018, 3-5 October 2018, Johannesburg](#). **Deadline: 31 July 2018**

WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

- **(New)** [Future Climate for Africa webinar: Micro e-learning course on Expert and Government Review of the IPCC Assessment reports](#). The course will consist of three one-hour webinars on 5, 7 and 19 June 2018
- **(New)** [Brookings Institution live webcast: Citizens of the future: Innovations to leapfrog global education, 21 May 2018](#)

JOBS

- [Executive Secretary at Association for Strengthening of Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa \(ASARECA\)](#). Applicant must be a national of an ASARECA member country. **Deadline: 18 May 2018**
- [Visiting Youth and Gender Specialist at AgReach, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign](#). **Deadline: 18 May 2018**
- **(New)** [Digital Communications Officer at the Southern African Research and Innovation Management Association \(SARIMA\), Pretoria](#). **Deadline: 24 May 2018**

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