

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Changing lives in the community through entrepreneurship](#)
- [An ICT based platform to track the certification and distribution of clean cassava planting material](#)
- [Korea, World Bank join forces to build world-class scientific capacity in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)
- [Towards a common standard for postgraduate training in East Africa](#)
- [Aristotle's wrongful death - Should colleges abandon traditional disciplines for programmes with clear career pathways?](#)
- Events:
 - **(RUFORUM event)** [6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi](#)
 - [14th African Dairy Conference & Exhibition, 20-24 August 2018, Nairobi](#)
 - [International Conference On Food Security And Climate Change, 4-5 October, Harare](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Indigenous knowledge on the uses of African Nightshades \(*Solanum nigrum* L.\) species among three Kenyan communities \(Ontita et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Genotype by environment effects on promiscuous nodulation in soybean \(*Glycine max* L. Merrill\) \(Agoyi et al. 2017\)](#)
- [Digital and data-driven agriculture: Harnessing the power of data for smallholders \(Maru et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Small scale irrigation in Mali: Constraints and opportunities \(Kergna and Dembele, 2018\)](#)
- [Innovation opportunities in milk production in Rwanda \(Nyamwaro et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Inaugural Biennial Review Report of the African Union Commission on the Implementation of the Malabo Declaration on Accelerated Agricultural Growth and Transformation for Shared Prosperity and Improved Livelihoods \(2018\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Growing cassava on sloping land](#)

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**
- TWAS prizes:
 - [TWAS Fellowships for Research and Advanced Training](#). To enable young scientists in developing countries spend 3-12 months at a research institution in a developing country other than their own. **Deadline: 1 October 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**
- [Wellcome and the World Health Organization seek early-career researchers for an expert consultation on nutrition science](#). A limited number of fully funded places available. **Deadline: 4 June 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for Ideas - 2050: Visions for Global Food Systems Transformation](#). **Deadline 8 June 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**

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- [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**
- **(New)** [EAFF/IFAD call for rural youth agribusiness proposals](#). Open to youthful farmers in groups or individuals aged 35 years and below in Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda. **Deadline: 20 June 2018**
- [Future Leaders - African Independent Researchers \(FLAIR\) Fellowships](#). For African early career researchers in the field of natural sciences with potential to become leaders. **Deadline: 20 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**
- [Nomination to the African Academy of Sciences Affiliates Membership Programme](#). Targets African nationals aged 40 years or below, employed in higher education or research institutions and have obtained their PhD within the last five years. **Deadline: 4 July 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**
- [Master's and PhD scholarships at the African Center of Excellence in Phytochemicals, Textile and Renewable Energy \(ACEII-PTRE\), Moi University](#). **Deadline: Open till end of 2018**
- [Free e-learning courses from FAO](#)
- [Free online course on Artificial Intelligence from University of Helsinki](#). Open to anyone, anywhere
- **(New)** [Dangerous Questions: Why Academic Freedom Matters](#). Free online course. **Starts on 4 June 2018**
- **(New)** [Mastering Applied Data Science course](#). Fellowship available for this 12 week course.
- [IUCEA call for applications for master's fellowship for young talented female scientists](#). Applicants must be a national of one of the ACE II participating countries or Burundi. **Deadline: 4 June 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**
- [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**
- [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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- [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**
- **(New)** [International short course on Evaluating and Managing for Sustainable Development Impact](#), 18 March - 5 April 2019, The Netherlands. **Deadline for OKP and MSP fellowships: 16 October 2018**
- [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 conference abstracts and 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. **New deadline: 25 June 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the Sixth International Conference of the Pan-African Fish and Fisheries Association](#), 24-28 September 2018 in Mangochi, Malawi. **Deadline: 1 June 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for International Conference On Food Security and Climate Change](#), 4-5 October, Harare
- [Call for e-posters for the Science Forum South Africa \(SFSA\)](#), 13-14 December 2018 in Gaborone. **Deadline: 8 June 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)** [Online consultation on "Ethical, legal and policy aspects of open data affecting smallholder farmers"](#), 4-8 June 2018
- [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

JOBS

- [African Fertilizer and Agribusiness Partnership \(AFAP\): Soil Fertility and Plant Nutrition Expert Volunteer to be based in Tanzania](#). **Deadline: 5 June 2018**
- **(New)** [Consultancy opportunities at the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa \(FARA\):](#)
 - [Individual consultant to strengthen the communication function](#). **Deadline: 9 June 2018**
 - [Procurement Expert](#). **Deadline: 9 June 2018**

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- Individual consultant to undertake lumped editorial services. Deadline: 9 June 2018
- Agri-business Expert. **Deadline: 21 June 2018**
- Individual consultant to facilitate the crafting of FARA's new strategy (2019 - 2028) and MTOP (2019 - 2023).
Deadline: 22 June 2018
- **(New)** Research Officer at the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT). The position will be based at the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) campus in Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 11 June 2018**

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