

NEWS & EVENTS

- [Program for the Sixth Higher Education Week and 2018 RUFORUM Biennial Conference released](#)
- [Kenya's Cabinet Secretary for Education calls for increased collaboration between African universities for development relevance in Africa](#)
- [14 African universities including five RUFORUM members listed among top 1000 universities worldwide](#)
- [\[Issue 16 and 17\] Media Monitoring: Extract of Press News on Higher Education in Africa](#)
- [Building research infrastructures is key to developing South Sudan's fisheries sector](#)
- [Africa needs another million PhD scientists to develop homegrown solutions](#)
- Events:
 - **(RUFORUM event)** [6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi](#)
 - [GCHERA World Agriculture Prize Award Ceremony, 28 October 2018 in Nanjing, China](#)
 - [BIO Africa Convention 2018, 27-29 August 2018, Durban](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Diversity-biomass relationship across forest layers: implications for niche complementarity and selection effects \(Mensah, Du Toit & Seifert, 2018\)](#)
- [Smallholder dairy cattle feeding technologies and practices in Tanzania: failures, successes, challenges and prospects for sustainability \(Maleko et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Innovation Opportunities in sorghum production in Uganda \(Tenywa et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Innovation opportunities in bean production in the DR Congo \(Nyamwaro et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Determinants of climate smart agriculture technology adoption in the drought prone districts of Malawi using a multivariate probit analysis \(Maguza-Tembo, Edriss & Mangisoni, 2017\)](#)
- [Global Open Data for Agriculture & Nutrition: success stories, Issue 2 \(Compton, 2017\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Growing annual crops in cashew orchards](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **(RUFORUM call)** [RUFORUM Young African Entrepreneurs Competition 2018](#). Open to African entrepreneurs and incubatees below 35 years of age. **Deadline: 31 August 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**
- **(New)** [Islamic Development Bank Call for the Science, Technology and Innovation Transform Fund](#). Provides seed money for innovators, startups and SMEs to develop a strong business proposal. **Deadline: 31 July 2018**

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- 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**
- 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)** RUFORUM-GODAN Action Open Data Management in Agriculture and Nutrition Online Course. **Deadline: 27 June 2018**
- **(New - RUFORUM call)** Call for expression of interest to participate in a training for building a pool of professional Public Relations Officers in RUFORUM Member Universities. **Deadline: 31 July 2018**
- **(RUFORUM call)** PhD Training Opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Programme. **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 the end of the year**
- Free e-learning courses from FAO
- Free online course on Artificial Intelligence from University of Helsinki. Open to anyone, anywhere
- Mastering Applied Data Science course. Fellowship available for this 12 week course.
- **(New)** African Union call for applications for master's scholarships tenable at universities in the People's Republic of China. **Deadline: 29 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**
- **(New)** Consortium for Improving Agriculture-based Livelihoods in Central Africa (CIALCA) PhD positions now open. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
 - PhD position 1: Household heterogeneity to strengthen agricultural and rural development (open to applicants from Rwanda)
 - PhD position 2: Managing nutritional and entrepreneurial objectives (open to applicants from Rwanda)
 - PhD position 3: Agri-food systems pathways to improve human nutrition in banana- and cassava-based systems (open to applicants from Burundi)
- **(New)** Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program. Accredited universities in Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda can submit a request to host scholars born in Africa, but living in the United States or Canada. **Deadline: 6 July 2018**
- **(New)** Travel scholarships to attend OpenCon 2018, 2-4 November 2018, Toronto. For students and early career professionals interested in advancing Open Access, Open Education and Open Data. **Deadline: 13 July 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**



- **(New)** [BioInnovate Africa Fellowship for Women Scientists](#). Applicants must be a national of, and resident in, Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, or Uganda. **Deadline: 20 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 a, -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**
- **(New)** Course: [Qualitative Data Analysis by Using Thematic and Content Analysis Techniques](#) at Sokoine University of Agriculture, Tanzania, 7-10 September 2018. Fee paying course. **Deadline: 30 August 2018**
- **(New)** [TWAS-ICCBS Postgraduate Fellowship Programme](#). For young scientists from developing countries (other than Pakistan) to pursue research towards a PhD in chemical and biological sciences. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- **(New)** [TWAS-UPM Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme](#). For young scientists from developing countries (other than Malaysia) who wish to pursue advanced research in the natural sciences at the Universiti Putra Malaysia. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- [OWSD Early Career Women Scientists \(ECWS\) fellowships](#). For women who have completed their PhDs in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects and are employed at an academic or scientific research institute. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- **(New)** [Rhodes Scholarship for West Africa](#). **Deadline: 30 September 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**
- International short courses at the Wageningen Centre for Development Innovation, The Netherlands. **Deadline for OKP and MSP Fellowships: 16 October 2018:**
 - [Evaluating and Managing for Sustainable Development Impact](#), 18 March - 5 April 2019
 - **(New)** [Landscape Governance](#), 1-12 April 2019
- [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 International Conference On Food Security and Climate Change](#), 4-5 October, Harare
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the 2nd International Conference on Food Safety and Security](#), 15-17 October 2018, Pretoria. Limited NRF sponsorships available for postgraduate students to present their research. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the 8th Africa Nutritional Epidemiology Conference \(ANEC VIII 2018\)](#), 1- 5 October 2018, Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for the International Conference on Sustainability Research and Transformation](#), 6-8 February 2019 in Lüneburg, Germany. **Deadline: 30 June 2018**

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- [The International Journal of Agricultural Resources, Governance and Ecology](#), welcomes papers on climate change and agriculture, especially from Africa.
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the 6th International Conference on Organic Agriculture Sciences \(ICOAS\)](#), 7-9 November 2018 in Eisenstadt, Austria. **Extended deadline: 1 July 2018**
- [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**
- [Call for posters for the 14th International Digital Curation Conference](#), 4-7 February 2019, Melbourne. **Deadline: 30 September 2018**

WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

- **(New)** Sahel and West Africa Club (SWAC) webinar: [Food Employment in West Africa](#), Thursday 28 June 2018

JOBS

- Consultancy opportunities at the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA):
 - [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)** [The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition \(GAIN\) seeks proposals for food safety landscape assessments in Tanzania and Kenya](#). **Deadline: 22 June 2018**

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