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  - [Bindura University 1st International Conference on Food Security and Climate, 4-5 October 2018, Harare](#)

## PUBLICATIONS

- [Smallholders and powerholders: transforming food systems from the ground up. Disruptive Dialogue outcome document. \(RUFORUM, 2018\)](#)
- [Aboveground biomass allometric equations and carbon content of the shea butter tree \(\*Vitellaria paradoxa\* C.F. Gaertn., Sapotaceae\) components in Sudanian savannas \(West Africa\) \(Dimobe et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Repellency activity of exudates against \*Rhipicephalus appendiculatus\* larvae \(Disela et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Morphological and genotypic characterization of African nightshade cultivars \(Wesonga, 2017\)](#)
- [Adoption drivers and its intensity on smallholder goat farming in southern Malawi \(Kenamu & Maguza-Tembo, 2016\)](#)
- [Does adoption of Climate Smart Agriculture \(CSA\) technologies reduce household vulnerability to poverty? \(Maguza-Tembo et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Effects of intercropping arrangements and fertilizer application on growth and yield of African nightshade \(\*Solanum nigrum\* L.\) in Kisii County, Kenya \(Nyagari, 2016\)](#)

**FEATURED VIDEO:** [Direct seeded rice in dry conditions](#)

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Grants and Awards

- **(RUFORUM call)** [RUFORUM Young African Entrepreneurs Competition 2018 / Concours des Jeunes entrepreneurs africains 2018](#). Open to African entrepreneurs and incubatees below 35 years of age. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for applications for the Global African Agribusiness Accelerator Platform \(GAAAP\) Uganda 2018](#). For Ugandans aged 21-40 years engaged full-time in an agricultural enterprise. **Deadline: 13 July 2018**
- [Call for Research Proposals - Rapid Research Fund for Ebola Virus Disease Outbreaks](#). **Deadline: 13 July 2018**
- **(New)** [SGCI call for proposals for the First Cooperation Grant Initiative 2018](#). For scientists, researchers and innovators from Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda. The call is focused on regional processing. **Deadline: 22 July 2018**
- [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**
- [Call for Code Challenge on the theme Natural Disaster Preparedness and Relief](#). A competition for developers to build solutions that improve natural disaster preparedness. **Deadline: 31 August 2018**

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- [UNFCCC/UNDP-GEF Global Youth Video Competition on Climate Change](#). Youth aged 18-30 are invited to submit videos about projects or campaigns showcasing actions on climate change. **Deadline: 31 Aug 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for applications for international, regional, national research centres and networks in Eastern Africa to participate as host Institutions of the DAAD Scholarship Programme](#). **Deadline: 14 September 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**
- **(New)** [African Union Kwame Nkrumah Awards for Scientific Excellence \(AUKNASE\): Continental & Regional Awards 2018 Edition](#). **Deadline: 10 November 2018**
- **(New)** [empowering people Award 2019](#). Aims to identify simple technological innovations with business potential and make them accessible in developing areas. **Deadline: 31 October 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)** [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 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 the end of the year**
- **(New)** [New FAO e-learning courses to track progress towards Sustainable Development Goals](#)
- [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.
- [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**
- **(New)** [Artificial Intelligence Postdoctoral Researchers' Networking Tour 2018](#). Programme related costs and a travel allowance are covered by DAAD. **Deadline: 15 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)** [CODATA-RDA Foundational School in Research Data Science, 22 October - 2 November, 2018, Kigali](#). For participants in any discipline. Some support for travel and accommodation available. **Deadline: 18 July 2018**
- AWARD leadership courses for 2018:
  - [Leadership Program for Agricultural Research and Development \(LEPARD\)](#), 27-31 August 2018 in Hyderabad, India. For both men and women. **Deadline: 20 July 2018**
  - [Women's Leadership and Management Course \(WLMC\)](#), 30 September - 6 October, 2018 in Colombo, Sri Lanka. **Deadline: August 10, 2018**



- [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**
- [Three PhD positions in Transparent Data Science at the Eindhoven University of Technology \(TU/e\)](#). **Deadline: 22 July 2018**
- [Data Documentation Initiative \(DDI\) - Train the Trainers](#), 24-28 September at Schloss Dagstuhl - Leibniz Center for Informatics, Wadern, Germany. Some support available. **Deadline: 22 July 2018**
- **(New)** [Call Extension - MSc Scholarships in fisheries science under Intra-Africa Mobility Scheme](#). This call targets Ugandans. Scholarships tenable at Rhodes University and Mzuzu University. **Deadline: 23 July 2018**
- **(New)** [Visiting Research Fellowship - UNICEF Office of Research, Florence, Italy](#). For junior researchers in various fields, including agricultural economics, who are citizens of African countries. **Deadline: 24 July 2018**
- **(New)** [MSc scholarships at the Center of Studies in Oil and Gas Engineering and Technology at Universidade Eduardo Mondlane, Mozambique](#). **Deadline 28 July 2018**
- **(New)** [Master's in Fertilizer Science & Technology at University Mohammed 6 Polytechnic \(UM6P\) starting September 2018](#). **Deadline: 31 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**
- Call for applications for [Africa Plant Breeding Academy Class IV](#). Participants must be based in Africa and actively managing a breeding programme. Some scholarships available. **Deadline: 15 August 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**
- [DIES/CREST Online Training Course for Supervisors of Doctoral Candidates at African Universities](#). Applicants must be employed by or affiliated to a university in Africa. **Deadline: 19 August 2018**
- [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)** [Call for applications for master's programmes at the University of Rwanda Africa Centre of Excellence in Energy for Sustainable Development \(ACE-ESD\)](#). **Deadline: 31 August 2018**
- [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**
- [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**
- [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**
- [Data Science Fellowship](#). 8 week fellowship for master's students, PhDs, and postdocs in STEM and social science fields seeking industry careers as data scientists. **Next program starts on 10 September 2018**
- [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
  - [Landscape Governances](#), 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 abstracts for International Conference On Food Security and Climate Change](#), 4-5 October, Harare
- [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**

## JOBS

- **(New)** [Job opportunities at RUFORUM](#). **Deadline: 30 September 2018**
  - Deputy Executive Secretary, Programme Development & Implementation
  - Technical Specialist, Youths Skills Development & Community Engagement
  - Technical Specialist, Policy Analysis
  - Technical Specialist, Research and Development
  - Internal Auditor
  - Systems Accountant
- [Call for Expression of Interest for conducting a review/assess land access and tenure for youth agripreneurs in Sudan](#). **Deadline: 15 July 2018**
- **(New)** [Data Science Manager at the University of Plymouth, UK](#). **Deadline: 29 July 2018**

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