

## NEWS & EVENTS

- [RUFORUM and World Bank jointly launch “Call for Proposals” for Strengthening Higher Agricultural Education for Agri-Food Systems Transformation in six African countries](#)
- [2018 RUFORUM Young African Entrepreneurs Competition: 1,332 applications received from 46 countries / 1332 Propositions de Projet provenant de 46 pays reçues dans le cadre de la seconde édition du concours des jeunes entrepreneurs africains](#)
- [His Excellency President Prof. Arthur Peter Mutharika meets RUFORUM delegation in Malawi](#)
- [Malawi President pledges support to RUFORUM](#)
- [Grants to help address knowledge gaps in agriculture](#)
- [\[Issue 26\] Media Monitoring: Extract of Press News on Higher Education in Africa](#)
- [How higher-education institutions can transform themselves using advanced analytics](#)
- **Events:**
  - **(RUFORUM event)** [6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi](#)
  - [2nd International Conference on Food Safety and Security, 15-17 October 2018 in Pretoria](#)
  - [Free online e-conference on responding to the fall armyworm outbreak in Africa, 22-26 October](#)

## PUBLICATIONS

- [RUFORUM Quarterly Report for the period April-June 2018](#)
- [Mitochondrial DNA variation of indigenous goat populations from peste-des-petits-ruminants outbreak in South Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo \(Bwihangane et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Epidemiological study of peste des petits ruminants in goats and sheep in South Kivu, Democratic Republic of Congo \(Bwihangane, 2018\)](#)
- [Repositioning Africa in global knowledge production \(Fonn et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Assessment of the use of conservation agriculture on durum wheat yield, water and nitrogen use efficiencies and soil health \(Souissi et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Causes and consequences of increasing herbicides use in the cotton production zone of Mali \(Kergna, Smale & Assima, 2018\)](#)
- [Socially modified organisms in multifunctional agriculture - addressing the needs of smallholder farmers in Africa \(Leakey, 2017\)](#)

**FEATURED VIDEO:** [Killing fall armyworms naturally](#)

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Grants and Awards

- **(New - RUFORUM Call)** [Call for proposals: Strengthening Higher Agricultural Education for Agri-Food System Transformation in Africa \(SHAEA\) /Annonce: Projet d'Appui à l'Enseignement Supérieur Agricole pour une Transformation des Systèmes Agroalimentaires en Afrique. \*\*Deadline: 30 November 2018\*\*](#)
- [IDRC Research Awards 2019](#). Open to Canadians, permanent residents of Canada, and citizens of developing countries who have recently completed, or are pursuing, a master's or doctoral degree. **Deadline: 5 September 2018**

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- Global call for research proposals: Innovative veterinary solutions for antimicrobial resistance (InnoVet-AMR) in food-producing animals: livestock and aquaculture. **Deadline: 12 September 2018**
- **(New)** Funding opportunity for participating graduate students to the 7th All African Conference on Animal Agriculture, 15 - 19 October 2018, Accra. **Deadline: 14 September 2018**
- Education Research in Africa Award. **Deadline: 14 September 2018.** Award categories:
  - Emerging Educational Researcher
  - Accomplished Educational Researcher
  - Outstanding Mentor of Educational Researchers
  - Enabling Institutional Environment for Educational Research
- 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**
- Call for new members of the Global Young Academy 2019. Open to all scholars working in any research-based discipline. **Deadline: 15 September 2018**
- Fall 2018 WARC Travel Grant Competition. Open only to West African nationals. **Deadline: 15 September 2018**
- ReSAKSS Data Challenge. A competition to encourage young Africans to use data on the ReSAKSS platform to showcase innovative ideas bringing solutions to African issues. **Deadline: 17 September 2018**
- **(New)** Joint ASRT-BA research grants for post-doctoral researchers under the age of 45. Thematic areas include food and agricultural sciences, and environment. **Deadline: 30 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)** IDRC request for concept notes: Boosting decent Employment for Africa's youth. Applying institution or consortium of institutions must have a strong presence in sub-Saharan Africa. **Deadline: 8 October 2018**
- empowering people Award 2019. Aims to identify simple technological innovations with business potential and make them accessible in developing areas. **Deadline: 31 October 2018**
- African Union Kwame Nkrumah Awards for Scientific Excellence (AUKNASE): Continental & Regional Awards 2018 Edition. **Deadline: 10 November 2018**
- Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowships . Short-term fellowships to African-born academics at universities in the USA and Canada to collaborate with African universities. **Deadline: 9 December 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 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.

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- [DAAD scholarships 2019-2020](#). For individuals from eligible developing countries to undertake post-graduate study at German universities in development-related subjects. **Deadline: Varies by course**
- **(New)** [Postdoctoral Fellowship in Metagenomics at North-West University, South Africa](#). **Deadline: Open till filled**
- [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. **Starts on 10 September 2018**
- **(New)** [ILRI Graduate Fellowship: Determining the level of heterozygosity in a Lablab collection](#) **Deadline: 15 September 2018**
- Call for Applications for the [GODAN Action online course on Open Data Management in Agriculture, Nutrition and Land](#). Free course. **Deadline: 17 September 2018**
- **(New)** [PhD position in Blockchain, Smart Contracts and Transactions Analytics at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology](#). **Deadline: 28 September 2018**
- **(New)** [AfriPlantSci 2019: Healthy Plants course](#). 2-week residential training at Pwani University in Kenya for early-career researchers from across sub-Saharan Africa. Registration, Travel and Accommodation costs for the course will be covered for successful applicants. **Deadline: 30 September 2018**
- **(New)** [CLIFF-GRADS scholarships for short-term scientific training and research stays on topics related to emissions and carbon storage in agriculture](#). For students from developing countries currently enrolled in PhD programs. **Deadline: 30 September 2018**
- **(New)** [CLIFF-GRADS Scholarships for short-term scientific training and research stays for students from developing countries currently enrolled in PhD programs on mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions from reduced food loss and waste](#). **Deadline: 30 September 2018**
- 4th edition of [Science by Women Program](#) request for applications for visiting senior research fellowships in Spanish Centers of Excellence. 14 six-month fellowships will be awarded to African women researchers. **Deadline: 30 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**
- [Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions COFUND research fellowships under Research Leaders 2025 scheme](#). Aims to develop next generation research leaders in the agri-food domain. **Deadline: 1 October 2018**
- **(New)** [AWARD Pan-African Fellowship](#). For African women scientists from selected countries who have completed a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree in an agricultural discipline. **Deadline: 8 October 2018**
- **(New)** [DTA3/COFUND Marie Skłodowska-Curie PhD Fellowship](#). Subject areas are: applied biosciences for health, energy, and social policy. **Deadline: 8 October 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
- **(New)** [Iso Lomso fellowships for early career African researchers](#). A three-year attachment to the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study (STIAS) to develop and conduct a long-term research programme of preference. **Deadline: 20 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 and Posters:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**

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- **(New)** [Call for submission of abstracts for the GODAN AgriGIS session during the 14th International gvSIG Conference, 24-26 October 2018.](#) **Deadline: 11 September 2018**
- **(New)** [The Journal of Agribusiness in Developing and Emerging Economies invites submission of abstracts to the new special issue titled 'New organizational forms in emerging economies: Bridging across the agribusiness management and development fields'.](#) **Deadline: 15 September 2018**
- [Call for posters for the Research Data Alliance's \(RDA\) 12th Plenary, 5-8 November 2018 in Gaborone.](#) **Deadline: 18 September 2018**
- [Call for posters for the 14th International Digital Curation Conference, 4-7 February 2019, Melbourne.](#) **Deadline: 30 September 2018**
- **(New)** [DIES University Leadership and Management Training Programme \(UNILEAD\) in Oldenburg, Germany. For young managers at higher education institutions in developing countries.](#) **Deadline: 9 October 2018**
- [Call for papers for the International Conference on Data Value Chain in Science & Territories, 14 & 15 March 2019, Paris.](#) **Deadline: 15 October 2018**
- [Call for papers: Special Issue of Elsevier's Agricultural Systems Journal on "Science of scaling: connecting the pathways of agricultural research and development for improved food, income and nutrition security".](#) **Deadline: 31 December 2018**
- [Call for abstracts for 1st All Africa Synthetic Pesticide Congress.](#) **Deadline: 20 January 2019**
- [1st All Africa Congress on Synthetic Pesticides, Environment, Human and Animal Health, 18-20 June 2019, Nairobi.](#) **Deadline: 20 January 2019**

## WEBINARS AND E-DISCUSSIONS

**(New)** [AGRILINKS seminar: Measuring performance in agricultural extension: a common metrics framework.](#) *Wednesday, 20 September 2018*

## JOBS

- [Job opportunities at RUFORUM.](#) **Deadline: 30 September 2018**
  - Deputy Executive Secretary, Programme Development & Implementation
  - Technical Specialist/Youths Skills Development & Community Engagement (YSD&CE)
  - Technical Specialist, Policy Analysis
  - Technical Specialist, Research and Development
  - Internal Auditor
- **(New)** [Job opportunities at Tanager/Impacting Gender & Nutrition through Innovative Technical Exchange in Agriculture \(IGNITE\) Project, Kenya.](#) **Deadline: 15 September 2018**
  - [Gender Expert](#)
  - [Nutrition Expert](#)
  - [Team Leader](#)
- **(New)** [Social Funding Proposal Development Consultant.](#) Short-term consultancy to help grantees with proposal development and review. **Deadline: 15 September 2018**
- **(New)** [Post-doctoral researcher in the Department of Computer Science, University of Surrey.](#) **Deadline: 14 October 2018**

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