

NEWS & EVENTS

- [Uganda's First Lady meets delegation from RUFORUM](#)
- [The tiny potato tubers: a nightmare for farmers in Uganda](#)
- [Universities should consider their alumni as a resource](#)
- [Extract of Press News on Higher Education in Africa: Issue 26 and Issue 27](#)
- [Must academic evaluation be so citation data driven?](#)
- [Third phase of the Africa Higher Education Centers of Excellence \(ACE\) Project launched](#)
- [ASARECA gets new Executive Secretary](#)
- **Events:**
 - [\(RUFORUM event\) 6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi. Submission of papers open till 15 October 2018](#)
 - [SADC International Conference on Postgraduate Research for Sustainable Development - Botswana, 28-31 October 2018](#)
 - [International Data Week \(IDW 2018\), 5-8 November 2018, Gaborone](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Effect of post-harvest handling practices, storage technologies and packaging material on post-harvest quality and antioxidant potential of Solanum *aethiopicum* \(shum\) leafy vegetable \(Sekulya et al, 2018\)](#)
- [A business case for engaging the private sector in climate-smart solutions for smallholder farmers \(Mutamba & Ajayi, 2018\)](#)
- [Bookkeeping app for street traders in Tanzania \(Mramba, 2018\)](#)
- [Baseline analysis of plantain \(musa sp.\) value chain in southwest of Nigeria \(Ayanwale, Fatunbi & Ojo, 2018\)](#)
- [Agricultural extension service and technology adoption for food and nutrition security: evidence from Ethiopia \(Tigabu & Gebeyehu\)](#)
- [Factors affecting the adoption of innovative technologies by livestock farmers in arid area of Tunisia \(Dhraief et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Africa Agriculture Status Report: catalyzing government capacity to drive agricultural transformation \(AGRA, 2018\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Managing aflatoxins in maize before and during harvest](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- [\(RUFORUM Call\) 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](#)
- TWAS prizes:
 - [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**
- [\(New\) Ignite 2018: African Women in Agribusiness Initiative](#). Residential training will take place from 5 November to 14 December 2018 in Berekusu, Ghana. Scholarships available for exceptional applicants.
- [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**
- [\(New\) Agrilinks Young Scholars Food Security Blog Contest](#). Open to any university student enrolled in 2018 (graduate or undergraduate). **Deadline: 10 October 2018**
- [Global Challenges Research Fund \(GCRF\) invites proposals for community building networks focused around research challenges including education and food systems](#). **Deadline: 11 October 2018**

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- **(New)** Global Citizen Prize for Youth Leadership. Unrestricted cash prize of \$250,000 presented by Cisco to a young person aged 18-30 who is having impact towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. **Deadline: 15 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**
- **(New)** 2019 RISK Award. Up to €100,000 for an operational project in the field of risk reduction and disaster management. **Deadline: 30 November 2018**
- **(New)** RDA EU Open Call for Ambassadors. The Research Data Alliance is calling on domain specific data experts to join its Ambassador programme. **Deadline: 5 December 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.
- DAAD scholarships 2019-2020. For individuals from eligible developing countries to undertake post-graduate study at German universities in development-related subjects. **Deadlines vary by course**
- Postdoctoral Fellowship in Metagenomics at North-West University, South Africa. **Deadline: Open till filled.**
- 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)** Open call for participants at the Evidence Informed Policymaking Seminar in Africa. For African early to mid-career policymakers and scientists. **Deadline: 8 October 2018**
- DTA3/COFUND Marie Skłodowska-Curie PhD Fellowship. Subject areas are: applied biosciences for health, energy, and social policy. **Deadline: 8 October 2018**
- **(New)** 2019 Aspen New Voices Fellowship. A year-long media skills, communication and leadership program designed for development professionals from the developing world. Fellowship is non-resident and not full-time. **Deadline: 15 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 governance, 1-12 April 2019
 - **(New)** Milking to potential, 13 - 31 May 2019
- **(New)** iCRA courses: March - June 2019. **Scholarship application deadline: 18 October 2018**
 - Making education work, 25 March - 5 April 2019, Wageningen, the Netherlands
 - Making innovation work: 3 - 14 June 2019, Wageningen, the Netherlands
 - Making agribusiness work, 17 - 28 June 2019, Ibadan, Nigeria
- 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**
- **(New)** PhD Graduate Fellowship: Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS). The position will be based in Nairobi. **Deadline: 21 October 2018**
- **(New)** DIES-International Deans' Course Africa 2019/20. International travel costs, board and lodging as well as the substantial part of the tuition fee will be covered. **Deadline: 31 October 2018**

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- **(New)** [Chevening Scholarships for study in the United Kingdom](#). **Deadline: 6 November 2018**
- **(New)** [University of British Columbia \(UBC\) MasterCard Foundation Scholars Programme \(2019/2018\)](#). Full scholarships for students from Sub-Saharan Africa to pursue undergraduate and graduate studies at UBC. **Deadline: 9 November 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**
- **(New)** [Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program](#). For institutions in Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda to host an African-born scholar. Institutions and scholars may both apply. **Deadline: 9 December 2018**
- **(New)** [Stanford Africa MBA Fellowship Program 2018/2019](#). Tuition and associated fees for citizens of African countries who wish to obtain an MBA at Stanford Graduate School of Business. **Deadline: 10 January 2019**
- **(New)** [Scholarships for International MSc Programs at Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Israel, 2019](#). **Deadline: 1 March 2019**
- [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 research application summaries/extended abstracts and posters for the RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2018](#). **Deadline: Extended to 15 October 2018**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for 3rd Digital Belt and Road Conference \(DBAR 2018\)](#), 5-7 December 2018 in Yunnan, China. **Deadline: 8 October 2018**
- [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**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for a workshop on "Livestock Systems in Urbanizing Environments: Impacts and Implications for Food Security in Developing Countries"](#) in Uppsala, Sweden, 5-6 March 2019. Some funding available to support conference attendance. **Deadline: 15 January 2019**
- [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**

JOBS

- [Post-doctoral researcher in the Department of Computer Science, University of Surrey](#). **Deadline: 14 October 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for expression of interest for Science Granting Councils Initiative in Sub Saharan Africa \(SGCI\) Commissioned Studies on Public-Private Partnerships in Research and Innovation](#). **Deadline: 20 October 2018**
- **(New)** [ILRI vacancy: Post-Doctoral Fellow, Climate Change Scenarios for Livestock Systems](#). The position will be based in Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 25 October 2018**
- **(New)** [Post-doctoral Research Assistant in Tropical Dairy Genetics/Genomics](#) at the Centre for Tropical Livestock Genetics and Health, Scotland's Rural College. **Deadline: 1 November 2018**

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