NEWS & EVENTS

- Winners of the 2018 RUFORUM Young African Entrepreneurs Competition announced / Lauréats de la deuxième édition du concours des jeunes entrepreneurs africains
- Makerere University-Uganda Industrial Research Institute partnership: real good deal for potato communities of Uganda
- Universities must use ICTs to improve agriculture in Africa
- Increasing higher education enrolment and implications for quality
  - (RUFORUM event) 6th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 22-26 October 2018, Nairobi. Follow us on Twitter for updates at #AfricaHEWeek2018
  - GFAR Technical Meeting: Seeking Indigenous Innovations For Managing Fall Armyworm (FAW) in Africa, 29-31 October 2018
  - Africa’s Higher Education Institutions in the 21st Century: An Age of Discontinuity, 7-9 November 2018 Nairobi

PUBLICATIONS

- Genome sequences of five African swine fever virus genotype ix isolates from domestic pigs in Uganda (Masembe et al, 2018)
- The impact of climate change on agriculture production and food security situation, in Abuharaz administration in North Kordofan State, Sudan (Shabour, 2018)
- The impact of tractor drawn implements use on rangelands and animal resource in North Kordofan (Ismail, 2017)
- Marketing and promotional plan for local rice based on drivers of traders and consumers preferences (Omari, Ampadu-Ameyaw & Essegbey, 2018)
- Smallholders’ access to agricultural equipment and agro-inputs in Mali (Kergna, 2018)
- Using a whole-farm modelling approach to assess changes in farming systems with the use of mechanization tools and the adoption of high yielding maize varieties under uncertainty in Northern Benin (Adegbola et al, 2018)
- Making markets work for indigenous vegetables in the Lake Naivasha Basin, Kenya (Knaepen, 2018)

FEATURED VIDEO: How to identify and scout for fall armyworm

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- (New – RUFORUM Call) Call for Proposals: RUFORUM Community Action Research Programme for Zambia, South Africa, Lesotho, Eswatini, Botswana and Namibia. Applicants eligible to receive funding up to US$300,000. **Deadline:** 15 January 2019
- (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**


- **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**

- **(New) Call for Nominations for the SFSA Science Diplomacy Awards 2018**. Presented by the Department of Science and Technology, South Africa. **Deadline: 2 November 2018**


- **2019 RISK Award**. Up to €100,000 for an operational project in the field of risk reduction and disaster management. **Deadline: 30 November 2018**

- **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**

- **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

- **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**

- **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

  - Making Education Work, 25 March - 5 April 2019, Wageningen, the Netherlands
  - Making Innovation work: 3 - 14 June 2019, with Wageningen, the Netherlands
  - Making Agribusiness Work, 17 - 28 June 2019 in Ibadan

- **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**
PhD Graduate Fellowship: Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS). The position will be based in Nairobi. Deadline: 21 October 2018

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

Scholarships for International MSc Programs at Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Israel, 2019. Deadline: 1 March 2019

Chevening Scholarships for study in the United Kingdom. Deadline: 6 November 2018

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

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

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

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
- 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 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

JOBS

- Post-doctoral researcher in the Department of Computer Science, University of Surrey. Deadline: 14 October 2018
- **(New)** Open Consultancy – Development of interactive tools to support the use of data collected by Major Groups and other Stakeholders to measure progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals. Deadline: 19 October 2018
- 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
- ILRI vacancy: Post-Doctoral Fellow, Climate Change Scenarios for Livestock Systems. The position will be based in Addis Ababa. Deadline: 25 October 2018
- **(New)** Research Assistant in displaced communities and environmental degradation in East Africa based at the University of Dundee, Scotland. Deadline: 31 October 2018

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- **(New) Bioinformatician/Data Scientist - Giulio Superti-Furga lab, Austrian Academy of Sciences.** Deadline: 31 October 2018
- 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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