

NEWS & EVENTS

- **Highlights from the RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2018**
 - [AU's development goals hampered by skills shortages](#)
 - [Women scholars urged to seize global opportunities](#)
 - [Calls for greater role for universities in policy-making](#)
 - [Academic freedom – A key to building science capacity](#)
- **Survey:** [Scoping the path to leadership in Africa - perspectives on research leadership](#)
- **Events:**
 - [Workshop on Innovations in Teaching and Learning, 19-23 November 2018, Lilongwe, Malawi](#)
 - [Fourth International Conference on Creativity and Innovation from/for grassroots \[ICCIG 4\], 28-30 January 2019 in Ahmedabad, India](#)
 - [First FAO/WHO/AU International Conference on Food Safety, 12-13 February 2019, Addis Ababa](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Infestation levels and control of the varroa mite \(*Varroa destructor*\) in managed honey bee colonies from Selected agro ecological zones of Uganda \(Namayanja, 2018\)](#)
- [The effect of traditional malting technology practiced by an ethnic community in northern Uganda on in-vitro nutrient bioavailability and consumer sensory preference for locally formulated complementary food formulae \(Alowo, Muggaga & Ongeng, 2018\)](#)
- [Analysing the dynamics of quality loss during precooling and ambient storage of pomegranate fruit \(Mukama et al, 2018\)](#)
- [ARD \[Agricultural Research for Development\] partnerships - an introduction \(Hawkins, Ekong & Salm, 2018\)](#)
- [Practical guide to participatory scenario planning: seasonal climate information for resilient decision-making \(Ambani et al, 2018\)](#)
- [Africa beyond 2030: leveraging science and innovation to secure Sustainable Development Goals \(African Academy of Sciences, 2018\)](#)
- [Donor open data policy and practice: an analysis of five agriculture programmes \(Smith, Fawcett & Musker, 2017\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Vertical and micro gardening](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **(RUFORUM Call)** [Call for Proposals: RUFORUM Community Action Research Programme for Angola, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa and Zambia](#). 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](#)
- **(New)** Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Explorations open grant opportunities: **Deadline: 14 November 2018**
 - [New approaches for strategic prioritization of agricultural development policies](#)
 - [Tools and technologies for broad-scale pest and disease surveillance of crop plants in low-income countries](#)
- TWAS prizes:

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- [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**
- [African Union Kwame Nkrumah Awards for Scientific Excellence \(AUKNASE\): Continental & Regional Awards 2018 Edition](#). **Deadline: 10 November 2018**
- **(New)** [Eleanor Crook Foundation call for applications for the RISE \(Research, Innovate, Scale and Establish for Nutrition\) portfolio on implementation research on nutrition innovations in East Africa](#). **Deadline: 25 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**
- **(New)** [Google AI Impact Challenge](#). Open call to organizations around the world to submit their ideas for how they could use artificial intelligence to help address societal challenges. **Deadline: 22 January 2019**
- [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 end of 2018**
- [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**
- **(New)** [USAID online resilience training modules: Measurement, Livelihood Diversification and Sustainable Poverty Escapes](#)
- [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**
- **(New)** [University of Edinburgh MasterCard Foundation Scholars Program 2019/2020](#). Full scholarships for undergraduate and postgraduate study at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. **Deadline: 30 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)** [Yale Maurice R Greenberg World Fellows Program](#). A four-month, full-time residential program, based out of Yale's Jackson Institute for Global Affairs. **Deadline: 5 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**
- **(New)** [Archbishop Tutu Leadership Fellowship Programme](#). Candidates must be citizens of an African country and between the ages of 25 and 39. **Deadline: 15 December 2018**
- **(New)** [Ashinaga Africa Initiative university scholarships](#). Full financial support for undergraduate study in Japan, the U.K, the U.S.A and Europe. **Deadline: 16 December 2018**
- **(New)** [Yale Young African Scholars Program](#). For secondary school students from all African countries. No tuition, meal, or lodging costs. Travel grants are also available. **Deadline: 6 February 2019**

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- [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 manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for Quality Promotion Conference, 26-28 February 2019 in Pretoria](#). **Deadline: 30 November 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for papers for IST-Africa 2019](#). **Deadline: 15 December 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for papers/case studies/innovations/installations/art/cultural exhibits from/for grassroots for the Fourth International Conference on Creativity and Innovations at \(for/from/with\) Grassroots \[ICCIG-4\], 28-30 January 2019 in Ahmedabad, India](#). **Deadline: 15 December 2018**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the 24th European Seminar on Extension \(and\) Education to be held in Acireale, Sicily, 18-21 June 2019](#). **Deadline: 20 December 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)** [ANH Academy invites submission of abstracts for the Research Conference on research at the nexus of agriculture and food systems, nutrition and health to be held in India from 24-28 June 2019](#). **Deadline: 6 January 2019**
- [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 the 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)** [eConsultation on draft FAO report on agroecological approaches and other innovations for sustainable agriculture and food systems that enhance food security and nutrition](#). **Closing date: 19 November 2018**

JOBS

- **(New)** [Communication Specialist Position at Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa \(FARA\)](#). **Deadline: 15 November 2018**
- **(New)** [Regional positions based at ASARECA Secretariat](#). **Deadline: 16 November 2018**
 - Theme Leader—Commodity Program and Project Coordination
 - Theme Leader—Agricultural Markets and Policy
- **(New)** [Executive Secretary of the Association of Agriculture Research Institutions in the Near East & North Africa \(AARINENA\)](#). **Deadline: 20 November 2018**
- **(New)** [World Agroforestry Centre \(ICRAF\): Communications Consultancy for GEF-IAP-FS & Regreening Africa Project\(s\)](#). **Deadline: 25 November 2018**
- **(New)** [ILRI vacancy: Scientist – Epidemiology](#). **Deadline: 6 December 2018**

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