NEWS & EVENTS

- A TVET-University collaboration generating impact: The CARP+ Seed Potato Project in Kenya
- Becoming a Papal Awardee: Professor Noble Banadda’s story
- Harness science for growth, African leaders are told (Africa C10 Heads of state Summit)
- 44 Centres of Excellence in West and Central Africa selected for the ACE Impact Project
- Africa’s science ‘millionaires’: survey spotlights top-funded researchers
- What’s holding Africa’s young scientists back?
- Events: 5th ECHO East Africa Biannual Symposium on Sustainable Agriculture and Appropriate Technologies, 12-14 February 2019 in Arusha, Tanzania

PUBLICATIONS

- Phenotypic screening of cowpea (Vigna unguiculata (L.) Walp) genotypes for resistance to cowpea viral diseases (Asare-Bediako et al, 2018)
- Agronomic performance of four upland rice genotypes under rainfed condition (Ahiakpa et al, 2018)
- Understanding intra-community disparity in food and nutrition security in a generally food insecure part of Eastern Africa (Ongeng et al, 2018)
- The next generation of scientists in Africa (Beaudry, Mouton & Prozesky [eds.], 2018)
- Coordinating a mentoring program: a toolkit for agriculture, forestry, landscapes and other sectors (Kovacevic et al, 2018)
- Africa and the Green Climate Fund: current challenges and future opportunities (Fonta, Ayuk & Van Huysen, 2018)
- Alignment between nationally determined contributions and the sustainable development goals for West Africa (Antwi-Agyei et al, 2018)

FEATURED VIDEO: Highlights of the Ministerial Round Table at the RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2018

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 Superieur 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
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**

Agrilinks 2018 Photo Challenge. Tell the story of global food security and poverty reduction through images of your development work. **Deadline: 20 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**

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**

**(New) SAIS 2 Innovation Fund - 2nd Call for Proposals.** For organisations that support innovation and entrepreneurship in the Southern African Development Community (SADC). **Deadline: 24 January 2019**

2019 Call for Proposals: Erasmus+ programme of the European Union. **Deadlines vary by action:**
- Mobility of individuals in the field of higher education: **5 February 2019**
- Mobility of individuals in VET, school education and adult education fields: **5 February 2019**
- Capacity building in the field of higher education: **7 February 2019**
- Strategic partnerships in the field of education and training: **21 March 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**
- FAO e-learning course on plant and animal genetic resources for food and agriculture
- 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) Kwerafund,** Financing for African students to study for Bachelor's, Master's and PhD degrees at selected universities in Malawi. Potential applicants can show interest by email to: student@kwerafund.com
- USAID online resilience training modules: Measurement, Livelihood Diversification and Sustainable Poverty Escapes
- New series of free AGORA (Access to Global Online Research in Agriculture) webinars in English, Français, Español, in December 2018. **Deadline: 28 November 2018**
- 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**
- Fully funded at Natural Sciences, Uppsala, Sweden. Course runs from 21 January to 25 March 2019. **Deadline: 2 December 2018**
- Australia Awards – Africa. Scholarships for masters studies in Australia and short-term fellowships in Africa and/or Australia. **Deadline: 3 December 2018 (masters) and 15 January 2019 (short courses)**
- PhD position in Ecological Statistics at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology. Deadline: 4 December 2018
- **(New) TWAS-UNESCO Associateship Scheme.** Supports regular visits by researchers from developing countries to centres of excellence in the South. Applicants must hold a PhD degree. **Deadline: 5 December 2018**
- 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**

**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**

**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**

**PASET-RSIF Call for Applications in Sub-Saharan Africa to host PhD Scholarships, Research and Innovation in Applied Sciences, Engineering and Technology.** Deadline: 17 January 2019

**One Health Summer Institute 2019.** A 4-week long, field-based experiential course to be held in Tanzania, 24 June - 19 July 2019. **Deadline: 30 January 2018**

**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**

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

**Ghent University doctoral scholarships for candidates from developing countries.** Students should carry out half of their research at Ghent University and half in a developing country. **Deadline: 4 March 2019**

**CAS-TWAS President’s PhD Fellowship Programme.** Up to 200 scholarships for non-Chinese citizens to study in China for doctoral degrees in various fields including agricultural sciences. **Deadline: 31 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**
- **Call** for abstracts for Quality Promotion Conference, 26-28 February 2019 in Pretoria. **Deadline: 30 November 2018**
- **Call for papers** for IST-Africa 2019. **Deadline: 15 December 2018**
- **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**
- **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**
- **Call for papers for the conference on Pesticide Politics in Africa, 29 – 31 May 2019 in Arusha, Tanzania.** Travel support available especially for African and early-career scholars. **Deadline: 5 January 2019**
- **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 Contributions:** UNSCN Nutrition - Edition 44. **Deadline: 10 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)** Webinar on Urban & Peri Urban Horticulture: Experience from the field – Namibia, 29 November 2018
- Free Access to Global Online Research in Agriculture (AGORA) Webinars (in English, Français, Español) taking place in December 2018. **Register by 28 November 2018**
- Communicating climate information from Future Climate for Africa’s work in west and southern Africa, 29 November 2018

JOBS

- Novartis Next Generation Scientist Intern 2019. 3 month (1 June to 31 August) internship programme in Basel, Switzerland for research scientists from emerging countries. **Deadline: 30 November 2018**
- ILRI vacancies:
  - **Scientist – Epidemiology, Deadline: 6 December 2018**
  - **(New) Post-Doctoral Fellow -Farming Systems Analysis, Deadline: 19 December 2018**
- **(New) Vacancies at the Fiji National University:** Lecturer positions in the areas of animal production (breeding and genetics), veterinary parasitology and veterinary microbiology. **Deadline: 21 December 2018**
- **(New) Director General International Bamboo and Rattan Organisation (INBAR), Deadline: 15 December 2018**

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