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  - [African Plant Breeders Association Conference, 23-25 October 2019 in Accra, Ghana](#)
  - [3rd African Symposium on Mycotoxicology \(ASM\) joint MYTOX-SOUTH Conference, 6-9 September 2020 in Stellenbosch, South Africa](#)
  - [MycoKey 2020 International Conference & 2<sup>nd</sup> International Forum on Mycotoxins in Animal Production, 9-12 March 2020 in Bari, Italy](#)

## PUBLICATIONS

- [Protein quality of commonly consumed edible insects in Zimbabwe \(Chagwena et al, 2019\)](#)
- [The relative contributions of cereal production, imports, and aid to Somali food security \(Gavin, Haji & Porter, 2019\)](#)
- [Effect of cooking methods on time and nutrient retention of pigeon pea \(\*Cajanus cajan\*\) \(Adepoju, Dudulewa & Bamigboye, 2019\)](#)
- [An overview use and impact of organic and synthetic farm inputs in developed and developing countries \(TSION & Steven, 2019\)](#)
- [Evaluating institutional grants at African universities \(Andoh, 2019\)](#)
- [Digitalisation of African Agriculture Report, 2018-2019 \(Tsan et al, 2019\)](#)
- [The future of open access books: findings from a global survey of academic book authors \(Pyne et al, 2019\)](#)

**FEATURED VIDEO:** [Managing the mango seed weevil](#)

## OPPORTUNITIES

### Grants and Awards:

- [FARA call for Funding Support for the establishment/reactivation of Innovation Platforms, Agribusinesses and other Multi-Stakeholder Platforms to Scale Agricultural Technologies in Africa. \*\*Deadline: 30 June 2019\*\*](#)
- [CARN ASPIRE Grants for the Congo Basin. Competitive research grants of up to \\$5,000 USD for African graduate students and early career professionals working in the areas of biodiversity, conservation and environmental sustainability in the Congo Basin region. \*\*Deadline: 15 July 2019\*\*](#)
- [WDS Data Stewardship Award 2019. Nominations may be made any scientific organization, group, body, union, or otherwise. \*\*Deadline: 29 July 2019\*\*](#)
- [\(New\) IDRC call for proposals: Breaking systemic barriers to women's participation in science. Open to research institutions, consortia, or non-governmental organizations. \*\*Deadline: 15 August 2019\*\*](#)
- [Obada Prize. Three prizes supported by African Academy of Sciences \(North Africa Branch\) that recognizes and encourages innovative and interdisciplinary research that cuts across traditional boundaries and paradigms.](#)
- TWAS prizes:
  - [\(New\) TWAS-Abdool Karim Prize. To honour women scientists in low income African countries for their achievements in Biological Sciences. \*\*Deadline: 31 July 2019\*\*](#)

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- **(New)** [TWAS-Fayzah M. Al-Kharafi Prize](#). Recognizes women scientists from scientifically and technologically lagging countries in the field of Social Sciences. **Deadline: 31 July 2019**
- **(New)** [TWAS Samira Omar Innovation for Sustainability Prize](#). For women scientists from least developed countries based on scientific achievements in any of selected thematic areas including sustainable agriculture. **Deadline: 31 July 2019**
- **(New)** [TWAS Young Affiliates 2019](#). TWAS Regional Partners will each select up to five scientists to be Young Affiliates for a period of five years. Nominated scientists must have PhD, be aged 40 or less on 1st January of the year in which they are selected. **Deadline: 31 July 2019**
- **(New)** [TWAS Regional Prize 2019 for Development of Scientific Educational Material](#). **Deadline: 25 August 2019**
- [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**
- [GAFSP call for proposals for programs and projects that strengthen agriculture and lessen food insecurity in fragile and conflict-affected countries](#). **Deadline: 10 September 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:

- [FARA/CIHEAM-Bari call for Agricultural Research and Innovation Fellowship for Africa \(ARIFA\)](#). Fully funded MSc training and advanced short courses in ARIFA affiliated countries including Brazil, China, Cuba, India, Italy and the Netherlands. **Deadline: 30 June 2019**
- [IUCEA-World Bank Masters Fellowships 2019](#). Fully funded mobility scholarships for young African female students in the following disciplines: (i) STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) or Industry (ii) Agriculture (iii) Health (iv) Education and (v) Applied Statistics. **Deadline: 30 June 2019**
- [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**
- [TWAS-BIOTEC Postdoctoral Fellowship](#). For young scientists from developing countries (other than Thailand) to pursue advanced research in biotechnology at the National Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology in Thailand. **Deadline: 30 June 2019**
- [Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation \(ITEC\) training courses](#). For international candidates from developing countries to study various short courses in India during October-December 2019 period. **Deadline: 3 months before start of the course**
- **(New)** [University of Sydney International Scholarship](#). Open to candidates who are eligible to undertake a Postgraduate Research Degree or Master's by Research at the University of Sydney in any discipline. **Deadline: 1 July 2019**
- **(New)** [University of Queensland Grant-aligned Priority PhD Scholarships](#). Scholarships to support living costs of PhD students with research projects aligned to selected research grants. International students are also eligible.
- [MPhil and PhD Programmes at the Africa Centre of Excellence in Coastal Resilience \(ACECoR\) hosted by the University of Cape Coast, Ghana](#). Scholarships available. **Deadline: 8 July 2019**
- [TWAS-USM Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme](#). For young scientists from developing countries (other than Malaysia) who wish to pursue advanced research in the natural sciences at the Universiti Sains Malaysia. **Deadline: 15 July 2019**
- **(New)** [ILRI PhD Graduate Fellowship: Genomic epidemiology of Rift Valley fever in East Africa](#). The fellow will be based in Nairobi. **Deadline: 19 July 2019**
- [PASET RSIF PhD scholarships / Bourses de doctorat PASET RSIF](#). 3-4 year doctoral training scholarships in priority thematic areas of the PASET Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF). **Deadline: 22 July 2019**
- **(New)** [Call for applications for the PhD in Plant Breeding at the West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement \(WACCI\), University of Ghana](#). Limited scholarships may be available. **Deadline: 31 July 2019**
- [TWAS-NRF Doctoral Programme](#). Doctoral fellowships for scientists from developing countries to pursue research in the natural sciences at research institutions in South Africa for a maximum of three years. **Deadline: 31 July 2019**
- [Rhodes Scholarship 2020](#). Supports exceptional young people for postgraduate study at the University of Oxford. **Deadline: Varies by region**
- [Adelaide Scholarships International](#). Scholarships from the University of Adelaide to outstanding international graduates from any country to undertake a masters or doctoral degree by research. **Deadline: 31 July 2019**

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- [Research Training Fellowship for Developing Country Scientists \(RTF-DCS\)](#). 6 month fellowships from the Government of India for research in various disciplines including agricultural sciences. **Deadline: 30 September 2019**
- [LHMENA call for Young Scientists Mobility Grants with MENA Countries](#). Applicants must hold a Bachelor or Master's degree and have not more than 6 years professional research experience. Priority countries include Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia. **Deadline: 31 December 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**

## Courses

- **(New)** [9th Advanced Training Course on Land Remote Sensing: Agriculture](#), 16-20 September 2019 at the Université Catholique de Louvain in Belgium. No participation fees will be charged. **Deadline: 30 June 2019**
- **(New)** [Open Data Management in Agriculture and Nutrition online course](#)
- [FAO e-learning course on "Sustainable Land Management and Land Restoration"](#). Self-paced course
- The GODAN Action Network free online course on 'Open Data Management in Agriculture and Nutrition'. Participants can study at a time and location convenient for them.
- [MOOC on Geographical Information Systems – Part 1](#). Based on the use of open source solutions.
- [FAO e-learning courses](#). Cover diverse topics in the areas of food and nutrition security, social and economic development, sustainable management of natural resources, communication and information management
- [Free e-learning courses on agricultural practices and compliance of production for export](#) on the Europe-Africa-Caribbean-Pacific Liaison Committee (COLEACP) Platform
- [Free online course on Artificial Intelligence from University of Helsinki](#). Open to anyone, anywhere
- [Open Science MOOC](#). A free self-paced course from Eliademy
- [USAID online resilience training modules: Measurement, livelihood diversification and sustainable poverty escapes](#)
- [Open Call for Learning Research Fellows at CRI, Paris](#). Call for short-term fellowships remains open throughout the year
- [FOSTER Open Science training courses](#)

## Calls for Papers and Posters:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal of Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- [East African Journal of Science Technology and Innovation first call for papers for publication](#). Thematic areas of interest include: agriculture, natural resources management, infrastructure, energy, ICT and STEM
- [Call for abstracts for the 3rd Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development \(RCMRD\) International Conference](#), 13-16 August 2019 in Nairobi. Authors of accepted abstracts will be funded
- [Call for abstracts for the First East African Science, Technology and Innovation Conference](#). 13-14 September 2019, in Kampala. **Deadline: 30 June 2019**
- **(Extended deadline)** [Call for presentations and posters for CODATA 2019 Beijing: Towards next-generation data-driven science: policies, practices and platforms](#), 19-20 September in Beijing. **Deadline: 24 June 2019**
- [Call for submission of original research/review papers for a forthcoming special issue of DESIDOC Journal of Library & Information Technology on data management](#)
- [International Higher Education invites contributions from masters and doctoral students and postdocs to an essay contest on "Unprecedented Challenges, Significant Possibilities", key challenges and opportunities for international higher education in the coming decade and beyond](#). **Deadline: 15 August 2019**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the UbuntuNet-Connect 2019 Conference](#), 31 October – 1 November 2019, Antananarivo on the theme, "NRENs: Facilitating Research and Education Collaboration in the Digital Space." **Deadline: 23 August 2019**
- [Call for abstracts for the "X International Congress on Cactus Pear and Cochineal"](#), 14-19 September 2020 in Tunis. **Deadline: 31 August 2019**
- [Journal of Scientometric Research Special issue on Quantitative, Network-theoretic and Altmetric Analysis of Scholarly Big Data](#). **Deadline: 31 August 2019**
- [PLOS ONE and PLOS Biology call for papers on the theme "Future Crops"](#). Submissions should focus on resilient, climate-smart crops and cropping systems for the 21st century. **Deadline: 13 September 2019**
- [Call for poster abstracts for the Twenty-First International Conference on Grey Literature: Open Science Encompasses New Forms of Grey Literature](#), 22-23 October 2019 in Hannover, Germany. **Deadline: 20 September 2019**

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- Second call for papers and posters for the Joint XXIV International Grassland & XI International Rangeland Congress 2020, 25-30 October 2020 in Nairobi. **Deadline: 15 November 2019**

## WEBINARS

- **(New)** CGIAR/PIM webinar: Land tenure and perceived tenure security in the era of social and economic transformation in Africa, 2 July 2019
- **(New)** RDAP Webinar: Radical collaboration in practice: Data Curation Network update, 8 July 2019

## JOBS

- **(New)** Vacancies at the Global Open Data Network (GODAN) Headquarters at McGill University, Montreal. **Deadline: 8 July 2019**
  - Research and Partnerships Lead
  - Information Systems Lead
- The PASET Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF) is seeking international experts to review RSIF applications for African Host Universities, PhD scholarships, Research Grants & Innovation Grants. **All applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis**

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