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- [Two new staff appointments at RUFORUM Secretariat](#)
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- [Three myths about youth employment in Africa and strategies to realize the demographic dividend](#)
- [E-exam adoption rising amid tampering, cheating](#)
- [Why the world owes education to an African woman](#)
- Events:
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 - [Eastern Africa Conference on Scaling up Agroecology and Ecological Organic Trade, 25-27 June 2019, Nairobi](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Factsheets on agricultural higher education capacities in RUFORUM member universities \(RUFORUM, 2018\)](#)
- [Heterospecific tree density and environmental factors affect *Azelia africana* Sm. population structure in the Pendjari Biosphere Reserve, West Africa: implications for management and restoration \(Atanasso et al, 2019\)](#)
- [Learning from farmer organisations \(CTA & IFAD, 2018\)](#)
- [Building a resilient and sustainable agriculture in Sub-Saharan Africa \(Shimeles, Verdier-Chouchane & Boly eds\), 2018\)](#)
- [The state of food security and nutrition in the world 2018: building climate resilience for food security and nutrition \(Vargas et al, 2018\)](#)
- [The state of agricultural commodity markets: Agricultural trade, climate change and food security \(FAO, 2018\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Quality cassava planting material](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- **(New)** [2019 Ideas for Action Competition](#). For students and young professionals between the ages of 18-35 years from around the world. **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- **(New)** [40th Right Livelihood Award](#). Open to people from across the globe to propose candidates who are working in a visionary and exemplary manner to solve global problems. **Deadline: 1 March 2019**
- [Erasmus+ programme of the European Union](#): Action on strategic partnerships in the field of education and training. **Deadline: 21 March 2019**
- TWAS grants:
 - [TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences \(Individuals\)](#). For research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by individual scientists under 45. **Deadline: 22 April 2019**
 - [TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences \(Groups\)](#). For research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by research units. **Deadline: 22 April 2019**
- [FFAR seeks nominations for 2019 New Innovator in Food and Agriculture Research Award](#). Up to 10 awards will be given and each awardee may receive up to \$600,000 over three years. **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- [2019 Africa Food Prize](#). **Deadline for nominations: 14 May 2019**

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- 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**
- 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)** MCF@RUFORUM scholarships 2019. For African students to study selected undergraduate and postgraduate courses at Gulu University or Egerton University. **Deadline: 31 March 2019**
- **(RUFORUM call)** PhD training opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Programme. **Applications will be accepted throughout the year**
- Virus Vector Vice Versa (V4) Development Programme for Early Career Researchers. A fully-funded ten-day residential course at the University of Bristol, UK (10 – 21 June 2019). **Deadline: 24 February 2019**
- **(New)** Free online course by Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) on “Effective livestock production with low use of antibiotics. **Starts 25 February 2019**
- **(New)** AuthorAID course: Research Writing in the Social Sciences. Free online course, open to all African researchers. **Starts 26 February 2019**
- Government of Hungary scholarships for master’s degrees in Plant Protection; Rural Development and Agribusiness; and Agricultural Biotechnology. **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- Call for applications to the 2019-2020 GREAT certificate course on gender-responsive breeding. Open to interdisciplinary teams of 2-3 agricultural researchers focused on any crop. Limited scholarships available. **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- Vaccinology in Africa course, 29 April – 3 May 2019, in Banjul, The Gambia. Scholarships available. **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Scholarship Programme. For undergraduate, master’s, PhD, and post-doctoral research with a special focus on “Sustainability Science”. **Deadline: 28 February 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**
- Alliance for Science Global Leadership Fellows Program. A 12-week experiential training course that will be held 26 August -15 November 2019 at Cornell University, New York. **Deadline: 1 March 2019**
- Scholarships for International MSc Programs at Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Israel, 2019. **Deadline: 1 March 2019**
- Solar Cooling Hands-on Workshop and Conference, 18-22 March 2019 in Nairobi. The training/conference will be free for participants, but travel and accommodation cost will not be covered. **Deadline: 3 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**
- **(New)** Phd Fellowship in Spatial and Spatio-Temporal Statistics at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU). **Deadline: 15 March 2019**
- Courses at iCRA. **Scholarship application deadline: 21 March 2019:**
 - Making Education Work - Transforming education for youth employment in the agri-sector (Wageningen, the Netherlands)
 - Making Innovation Work- Coaching partnerships for inclusive agribusiness (Wageningen, the Netherlands)
 - Making Research work - Solving complex agri-food problems through action research (Wageningen, the Netherlands)
 - Making Agribusiness Work - Building agribusiness relations for sustainable profit (Nakuru, Kenya)
- 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**

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- **(New)** [TWAS-DFG Cooperation Visits Programme](#). Supports postdoctoral researchers from sub-Saharan Africa, including South Africa to go on a 3 month visit to an institute in Germany. **Deadline: 1 April 2019**
- **(New)** [CODATA-RDA Research Data Science Summer School, 5-16 August 2019 in Trieste, Italy](#). A limited number of grants available to support participants from developing countries. **Deadline: 18 April 2019**
- [Adelaide Scholarships International](#). MSc and PhD scholarships for study at the University of Adelaide, Australia. **Deadline: 30 April for November 2019 enrolment**
- **(New)** [Call for application for master's and PhD courses at the Centre of Excellence in Agricultural Development and Sustainable Environment \(CEADESE\), Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta](#). Limited scholarships are available. **Deadline: 3 May 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**
- [FAO e-learning courses](#)
- [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**

Calls for Papers and Posters:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal of Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- [Call for posters for presentation at the Research Data Alliance \(RDA\) Thirteenth Plenary](#) taking place from 2-4 April 2019 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- [Call for abstracts for the 1st Great Lakes and Catchment Management \(1st GLACAM\) Conference, 5-7 June 2019, Entebbe, Uganda](#). **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- **(Extended deadline)** [Call for papers for the FAIR and Responsible Research Data Management \(FAIR-RRDM\) Workshop, 31 March - 1 April 2019, Drexel University, Philadelphia, USA](#). **Deadline: 4 March 2019**
- [Call for contributions for the 16th International Conference on Digital Preservation \(iPRES2019\), 16-20 September 2019 in Amsterdam](#). **Deadline: 18 March 2019**
- [Call for papers for 21st International Conference on Grey Literature](#), themed: 'Open Science encompasses new forms of grey literature'. 22-23 October 2019 in Hannover, Germany. **Deadline: 31 March 2019**
- [Call for papers for CIGR First Section 5th Interregional Conference on "challenges of water mobilization and soil conservation in better adapting to climate change" & 2nd Conference of the Pan African Society for Agricultural Engineering, 10 – 13 September 2019, Rabat, Morocco](#). **Deadline: 1 April 2019**
- [Call for papers for Tropentag 2019](#) to take place from 18-20 September in Kassel, Germany on the theme will be "Filling gaps and removing traps for sustainable resources development". **Deadline: 1 May 2019**

WEBINARS

- [TIBCO Webinar: Developing Modern Data Lakes with Data Virtualization](#). *Available on demand*
- [Webcast: The Contribution of Organic Agriculture to the SDGs: Scientific evidence from comparative research, 26 February 2019](#)
- **(New)** [Ag2Nut webinar: EAT-Lancet Commission on Food, Planet and Health, 27 February 2019](#)

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JOBS

- **(RUFORUM vacancy)** [Deputy Executive Secretary Programme Development Implementation](#). **Deadline: 31 March 2019**
- [ILRI Consultancy: Climate and livestock policy analysis \(open until filled\)](#). **The position will be home based**
- [Data scientist in text mining and machine learning \(KTP Associate\) at the University of Manchester](#). **Deadline: 25 February 2019**
- [Junior policy officer in the Sustainable Food Systems team at the European Centre for Development Policy Management \(ECDPM\)](#). **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- [Vacancies at Malawi University of Science and Technology](#). Positions in various disciplines at the rank of Professor or Associate Professor. **Deadline: 28 February 2019**
- **(New)** [Assistant Professor in Veterinary Parasitology at the Fiji National University](#). **Deadline: 1 March 2019**

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