NEWS & EVENTS

- RUFORUM 15th Annual General Meeting to be held at the University of Cape Coast, Ghana
- Announcing three RUFORUM grant recipients for Community Action Research Programmes PLUS (CARP+) 2019
- RUFORUM honours former Commissioner for Rural Economy and Agriculture, African Union Commission, Her Excellency Rhoda Peace Tumusiime
- Prof Waako appointed new Busitema University Vice Chancellor
- Plagiarism detection firm, Turnitin to be sold
- Survey: YPARD Members' Survey in English, French or Spanish.
- Events:
  o 8th Africa Agriculture Science Week and the FARA General Assembly, 28-31 October 2019, Cairo
  o 4th Africa-Wide Agricultural Extension Week, 20 - 24 November 2019, Abidjan

PUBLICATIONS

- Past, present and future climate trends under varied representative concentration pathways (Egeru et al, 2019)
- Factsheets on agricultural higher education capacities in RUFORUM member universities (RUFORUM, 2018)
- Agriculture for improved nutrition: seizing the momentum (Fan, Yosef & Pandya-Lorch [eds.], 2019)
- Emerging opportunities for the application of blockchain in the agri-food industry (FAO & ICTSD, 2018)

FEATURED VIDEO: Living windbreaks to protect the soil

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards:

- *(New)* AIMS-Carnegie Small research grants in data science and its applications. For African PhD students and researchers with a PhD in the field of data science and its related disciplines. **Deadline: 17 March 2019**
- *(New)* Journalist training at International Wheat Congress, July 21-26, 2019 in Saskatchewan. The CGIAR Research Program on Wheat will sponsor 10 journalists from developing countries. **Deadline: 19 March 2019**
- *(New)* Erasmus+ programme of the European Union: Action on strategic partnerships in the field of education and training. **Deadline: 21 March 2019**
- *(New)* Changing our ways: GLF Photo Competition. Photos should show how people across the globe are tackling climate change. **Deadline: 22 March 2019**
- *(New)* ACU Early Career Conference Grants. Supports early career academics to participate in an international conference in any country other than their country of employment. **Deadline: 31 March 2019**
- *(New)* UNIDO IPTO Italy International Award for “Innovative Ideas and Technologies in Agribusiness. **Deadline: 31 March 2019**
- TWAS grants. **Deadline: 22 April 2019**
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- **TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences (Individuals).** For research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by individual scientists under 45.
- **TWAS Research Grants Programme in Basic Sciences (Groups).** For research projects in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics carried out by research units.

- **(New) Africa Union call for submissions for ICT in education innovations.** **Deadline:** 30 April 2019
- **(New) European Commission pilot VET mobility scheme.** Will enable student and staff exchanges between vocational education and training (VET) colleges in the EU and colleges in Africa. **Deadline:** 14 May 2019
- **2019 Africa Food Prize.** **Deadline for nominations:** 14 May 2019
- **(New) Fellowships for AFRINIC-30 to be held in Kampala, 15-21 June 2019.** For individuals representing small organisations, universities, and media who are actively involved in Internet operations and development or ICT policies in their countries. **Deadline:** 15 March 2019
- **(New) Third call for proposals of the Intra-Africa academic mobility scheme funded by the EU.** Will support student and staff mobility in master’s and doctoral programmes in African countries. **Deadline:** 12 June 2019
- **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.** **Deadline:** 15 March 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**
- **(New) Call for applications for the IHP Trimester “The Mathematics of Climate and the Environment” (9 Sep. - 13 Dec. 2019).** Funding available for young scientists from developing countries. **Deadline:** 15 March 2019
- **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 (Benin, Kenya, Nigeria)**
- **(New) Newton International Fellowships.** For non-UK scientists who are at an early stage of their research career and wish to conduct research in the UK. **Deadline:** 27 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
- **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
- **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
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- **Adelaide Scholarships International**, MSc and PhD scholarships for study at the University of Adelaide, Australia. **Deadline: 30 April for November 2019 enrolment**

- 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**

- **(New) AGNES Mobility Grants.** Support for junior researchers (doctoral students) from sub-Saharan African countries to spend research stays of 1-2 months at a university/research institute in another sub-Saharan African country. **Deadline: 10 May 2019**

- **(New) OWSD PhD Fellowships for women scientists from science and technology lagging countries.** Supports women scientists to undertake PhD research in a host institute in the South. **Deadline: 30 May 2019**

- **(New) Summer School on Global Challenges to Food Security hosted by University of London from 22 July to 9 August 2019.** Scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 May 2019**

- **(New) IMU/TWAS Breakout Graduate Fellowships in Mathematics.** Supports postgraduate studies, in a developing country, leading to a PhD degree in the mathematical sciences. **Deadline: 31 May 2018**

- 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 contributions for the 16th International Conference on Digital Preservation (iPRES2019), 16-20 September 2019 in Amsterdam. **Deadline: 18 March 2019**

- **(New) Call for proposals to present at the Cracking the Nut Conference 2019: Leveraging Systems for Improved Food Security, 14-15 October 2019.** **Deadline: 29 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 “Filling gaps and removing traps for sustainable resources development”. **Deadline: 1 May 2019**
WEBINARS

(New) e-Agriculture webinar: Scaling up satellite based drought index insurance, successes and lessons learned from Uganda, 20 March 2019

JOBS

- (RUFORUM vacancy) Deputy Executive Secretary Programme Development Implementation. Deadline: 31 March 2019
- (New) Regional Director – Eastern and Southern Africa at the World Vegetable Center based in Arusha, Tanzania. Deadline: 31 March 2019
- (New) ILRI vacancy: Science Officer – CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS). The position will be based in Nairobi. Deadline: 12 April 2019
- (New) Regional Coordinator in Southern Africa at The Carpentries. Deadline: Application review will begin on 19 May 2019, but position will remain open until filled

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