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THEME: Operationalising Higher Agricultural Education and Research Ecosystems for Innovation, Industrialisation and Economic Development in Africa: A Call for Action



PROGRAMME BOOK



WELCOME TO THE SECOND RUFORUM TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE AND 20TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN NAMIBIA

Under the Patronage of
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**THE RUFORUM TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE HOSTED BY THE GOVERNMENT
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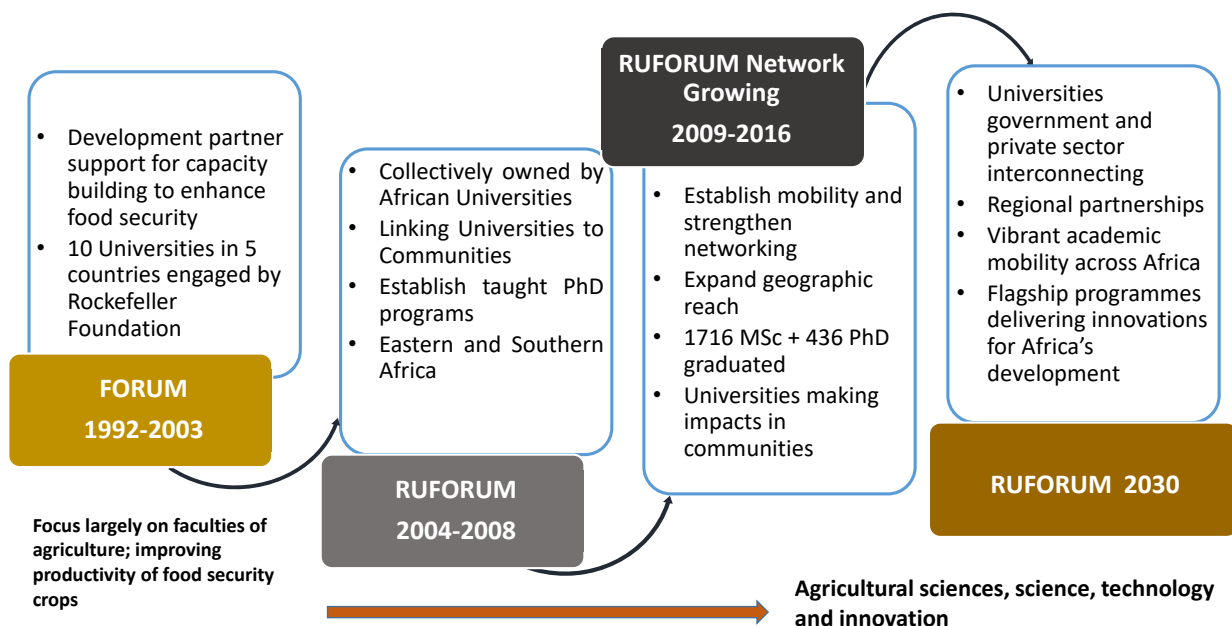
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ABOUT RUFORUM

The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM), established by ten Vice Chancellors in 2004, is a consortium of 170 African universities operating within 40 countries spanning the African continent. RUFORUM is coordinated by a Secretariat hosted by Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda. The organisation evolved from its predecessor, the Forum on Agricultural Resource Husbandry (FORUM) program of the Rockefeller Foundation. RUFORUM is registered as an International Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) and has mandate to oversee graduate training. In July, 2014, RUFORUM signed a cooperation agreement with the African Union to support the implementation of the new African Union for Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy for Africa, 2024 (STISA 2024).

RUFORUM Growth Pathway/ Journey and Focus

RUFORUM growth arose out of the recognition by ten universities in Eastern and Southern Africa that there were considerable gains to be made by continuing with the formalization of the relationships established out of a donor programme-Forum for Agricultural Resource Husbandry, “The Forum” which had been established by the Rockefeller Foundation (1992-2003). The project had been a success and the universities wanted to be able to continue to collaborate and support education and research that served small-scale farmers and society. Thus, RUFORUM establishment was catalyzed by the institutional Reform at the Rockefeller Foundation that resulted into reorientation of the agricultural strategy away from “The Forum” objectives of strengthening higher agricultural education. RUFORUM was thus based on adapting “The Forum” strategy of linking university faculty and students with other African institutions as well as with smallholder farmers and other national innovation system actors.



TRIENNIAL OVERVIEW

This year, RUFORUM will hold its Triennial Conference, under the main theme “Operationalising Higher Agricultural Education and Research Ecosystems for Innovation, Industrialisation and Economic Development in Africa: A Call for Action”. It is a response to the pressing need for action on the part of African governments, development partners, the corporate sector, and the general public to invest in agricultural higher education in order to support the urgent development requirements of the continent in a way that is inclusive and sustainable. This is the second time RUFORUM will be holding a Triennial Conference. During the meeting it will also hold the 20th RUFORUM Annual General Meeting. The objectives of the conference are :

1. Enable education and agricultural ecosystem actors to showcase and present their key findings, lesson share and inform each other on key actions required to make science work in Africa’s development. This objective will be implemented through a scientific programme that will bring together diverse stakeholders involved in Africa’s agricultural higher and tertiary education, research, innovations development, policy and industry.
2. Engage lead actors in policy and practice, to identify action areas for further investments in agriculture and higher education. Policy dialogues will be held involving government, higher education leaders, development partners, research and innovation as well as private sector agencies.
3. Promote international linkages and partnerships for excellence in Higher Education. This objective will support the strengthening of strategic partnerships, collaboration and mutual learning to spur investments, innovation and transformation of the higher education sector systems in Africa.
4. Provide a platform for discussions and lesson learning among diverse actors on the subject of creating employment for Africa’s young population. Discussions on topical issues such as the future of work, business development and incubation, and linkages among others will be held.
5. Deliberate on the macro and micro needs to adapt smart operations in terms of changing connectivity, education, business practices, sustainable agricultural and value chain transitions and advancement.

The RUFORUM 2nd Triennial Conference will be held in the Republic of Namibia from August 12 – 16, 2024. The five-day conference will bring together policymakers including Ministers and Technical Experts, Higher Education Leaders in Africa, development partners, private sector leaders, researchers, innovators, students, and farmer organizations, among others. Approximately 1000 delegates are expected from across the world. Pre-conference training events will take place from August 5 – 9, 2024 both in person and virtually.

Conference Key Events



○ Pre-conference Events



○ Forums



○ Main Conference Events



○ Side Events



○ Scientific Sessions



○ Exhibition & Poster viewing

PRE- CONFERENCE EVENTS

MONDAY 5 - SUNDAY 11 AUG 2024



Training of the future generation

- Need solid foundation in the sciences
- Experience in broader applications
 - patents, product development, regulatory,
- Experience in entrepreneurship / business
- Analytical, writing and verbal skills
- Team work
- People skills / management
- Global perspective

Monday, 5th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:30	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-16:30	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	

Tuesday, 6th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Social Media Training	UNAM Military Science Boardroom
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:30	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Social Media Training	UNAM Military Science Boardroom
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-16:30	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Social Media Training	UNAM Military Science Boardroom
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	

Wednesday, 7th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	• Immersion of University Research Teams	Hilton Hotel
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Social Media Training	UNAM Military Science Boardroom
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:30	• Immersion of University Research Teams	Hilton Hotel
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Social Media Training	UNAM Military Science Boardroom
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-16:30	• Immersion of University Research Teams	Hilton Hotel
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Center Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Social Media Training	UNAM Military Science Boardroom
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	

Thursday, 8th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	• Namibia Higher Education Day	UNAM Leisure Centre Link: https://bit.ly/3WIXjqH
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	Hilton Hotel
	• Immersion of University Research Teams	Hilton Hotel
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:30	• Namibia Higher Education Day	UNAM Leisure Centre Link: https://bit.ly/3WIXjqH
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	Hilton Hotel
	• Immersion of University Research Teams	Hilton Hotel
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-16:30	• Namibia Higher Education Day	UNAM Leisure Centre Link: https://bit.ly/3WIXjqH
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	Hilton Hotel
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Centre Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Immersion of University Research Teams	Hilton Hotel
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	

Friday, 9th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	• TAGDEV 2.0 Staff Onboarding	Hilton Hotel
	• Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development	Town Lodge Hotel
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Centre Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Safeguarding through Institutional Strengthening, (Systems processes and practices) for Principals and Deans	Hilton Hotel
	• Press Briefing	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:30	• TAGDEV 2.0 Staff Onboarding	Hilton Hotel
	• Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development	Town Lodge Hotel
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Centre Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Safeguarding through Institutional Strengthening, (Systems processes and practices) for Principals and Deans	Hilton Hotel
	• LOC-ROC meeting	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	

14:00-16:30	• TAGDEV 2.0 Staff Onboarding	Hilton Hotel
	• Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development	Town Lodge Hotel
	• Scientific Data Management Training	UNAM Leisure Centre Link: https://bit.ly/4cGjoLp
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-1	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-2	IUM Tunana Lecture Hall
	• Entrepreneurship Competency Training-3	NUST Library LAB B
	• Safeguarding through Institutional Strengthening, (Systems processes and practices) for Principals and Deans	Hilton Hotel
	• LOC-ROC meeting	UNAM Library Auditorium
	• AICCRA E-Learning Module Development	NUST Room CEIT
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	

Saturday, 10th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding through Institutional Strengthening, (Systems processes and practices) for Principals and Deans 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Advisory Panel Meeting 	Mercure Hotel, Brandberg Link: https://bit.ly/3WRGCJB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication Officers Training on Development Communication and Standards for TAGDev 2.0 implementing universities 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development 	Town Lodge Hotel
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding through Institutional Strengthening, (Systems processes and practices) for Principals and Deans 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Audit Committee Meeting 	Mercure Hotel, Gramsberg
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TAGDev 2.0 Staff on Boarding 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication Officers Training on Development Communication and Standards for TAGDev 2.0 implementing universities 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development 	Town Lodge Hotel
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding through Institutional Strengthening, (Systems processes and practices) for Principals and Deans 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finance and Administration Committee Meeting 	Mercure Hotel, Gramsberg
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TAGDev 2.0 Staff on Boarding 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication Officers Training on Development Communication and Standards for TAGDev 2.0 implementing universities 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development 	Town Lodge Hotel
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	

Sunday, 11th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting up of posters and Exhibitions 	Mercure Hotel, Open Area
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication Officers Training on Development Communication and Standards for TAGDev 2.0 implementing universities 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principals and Deans Committee Meeting 	UNAM, Hage Geingob Campus Link: https://bit.ly/4dZoHXI
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development 	Town Lodge Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership Development for Emerging Scientists 	UNAM, Leisure Centre
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting up of posters and Exhibitions 	Mercure Hotel, Open Area
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication Officers Training on Development Communication and Standards for TAGDev 2.0 implementing universities 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Executive Committee Meeting (Closed Meeting) 	Mercure Hotel, Gramsberg
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principals and Deans Committee Meeting 	UNAM, Hage Geingob Campus Link: https://bit.ly/4dZoHXI
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development 	Town Lodge Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership Development for Emerging Scientists 	UNAM, Leisure Centre
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting up of posters and Exhibitions 	Mercure Hotel, Open Area
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical Committee Meeting 	Mercure Hotel, Brandberg
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conference Field Trips 	UNAM Neudamm Campus/ Rural Community
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop on Climate Finance Transparency accounting and Leadership Curriculum development 	Town Lodge Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership Development for Emerging Scientists 	UNAM, Leisure Centre
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TAGDev Partnership Council Immersion (Gallery walk) 	Mercure Hotel, Gramsberg
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	
19:00-21:00	Principals and Deans Dinner and Leadership Colloquium	Windhoek Country Club

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MAIN CONFERENCE EVENTS

MONDAY 12 - FRIDAY 16 AUG 2024



Join us for the official opening of the Second RUFORUM Triennial Conference

DAY ONE

SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE EVENTS: PLENARY SESSIONS

Monday, 12th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:00-10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thematic Area 1: Plenary Session - Educating Africa (Celebration of RUFORUM@20) 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/4dLpV8P
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Triennial Conference official Opening 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/4dLpV8P
11:30-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official viewing of posters/exhibitions 	Mercure Hotel, Open Area
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Viewing of posters/exhibitions 	Mercure Hotel, Open Area
15:00-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launch of the TAGDev 2.0 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/3QS4hFY
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	
17:00-19:00	OPEN	
19:00-21:00	Welcome Cocktail	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom

DAY TWO

MAIN CONFERENCE EVENTS

Tuesday, 13th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:00-10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 2: Plenary Session: Sustainably Growing the economy and Feeding Africa 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/3wITNlp
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Side Event on Climate Finance, Transparency and Green growth (Feedback and Closure) 	Mercure Hotel, Gamsberg Room
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Round Table 1: Building Africa's Human Capital for the 21st Century 	Mercure Hotel, Brandberg Room Link: https://bit.ly/4dobCWP
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Registrars Dialogue on Transformative Education 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAGDev Partnership Council Meeting 	Hilton Hotel
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
10:30-12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 3: Plenary Session: Unlocking Inclusive and Broad-Based Economic Opportunity 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/3wITNlp
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Side Event on Climate Finance, Transparency and Green growth (Feedback and Closure) 	Mercure Hotel, Gamsberg Room
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Round Table 1: Building Africa's Human Capital for the 21st Century 	Mercure Hotel, Brandberg Room
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Registrars Dialogue on Transformative Education 	Hilton Hotel
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TAGDev Partnership Council Meeting 	Hilton Hotel
12:00-13:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 4: Plenary Session: Economic Trends, Best -Practices, Policy-Practice and Futures 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/3wITNlp

13:30-14:30	LUNCH BREAK	
14:30-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Viewing of posters and exhibitions 	Mercure Hotel, Open Area
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High level partnership Round table for last-mile delivery 	Mercure Hotel, Brandberg Room
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CABI-RUFORUM Side Event 	Mercure Hotel, Gamsberg Room
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Readiness: Transformative Efforts by African Universities 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AARIEIs, SROs and CGIAR partnership meeting 	Mercure Hotel, Namib 2
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	
17:00-19:00	OPEN	
19:00-21:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VIP dinner / Vice Chancellors' Colloquium 	Windhoek Country Club

DAY THREE

SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE / PARALLEL SESSIONS

Wednesday, 14th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 1: Subtheme 1: Supplying Africa's Second Decade (2024 - 2034) Workforce 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 1 Link: https://bit.ly/3QUlnBV
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 2: Subtheme 1: Increased Production, Productivity and Competitiveness 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 2 Link: https://bit.ly/3V7V9zt
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 3: Subtheme 1: Inclusive resourcing for equitable economic growth 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 3 Link: https://bit.ly/3UNeXXH
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 4: Subtheme 1: Innovations for growing Africa's agriculture and related sectors 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 4 Link: https://bit.ly/3VjddqN
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 1: Subtheme 3: Building human capital for Africa's climate change and Resilience 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 1 Link: https://bit.ly/3Vbb8gt
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Dialogue 2: Refugee Education Framework for Inclusion and Access to Higher and Tertiary Education in Africa (REFINE) 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 2 Link: https://bit.ly/4fpbKHq
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 4: Subtheme 3: Policies, planning and its implementation under-pinnings for the second decade of Africa's agenda 2063- (2024-2034) 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 3 Link: https://bit.ly/3K9Aepv
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of Education Regulators and University Registrars 	Hilton Hotel
10:00-10:30	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	

10:30-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 1: Subtheme 2: Emergent Issue - Digitizing Education 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 1 Link: https://bit.ly/4bqCSTU
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 2: Subtheme 2: Resilient agrifood systems and Health 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 2 Link: https://bit.ly/3V7V9zt
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 3: Subtheme 2: Wealth and Youth Employment 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 3 Link: https://bit.ly/3UNeXXH
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic Area 4: Subtheme 2: Foresight and trend studies 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 4 Link: https://bit.ly/3K9Aepv
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operationalising RUFORUM Nodes: Consultative Workshop to strengthen operations 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Dialogue 2: Refugee Education Framework for Inclusion and Access to Higher and Tertiary Education in Africa (REFINE) 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agroecology Side Event 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting of Education Regulators and University Registrars 	Hilton Hotel
12:30-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
14:00-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening eLearning for inclusion 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agri-Finance: Driving Agricultural Development through Financial Innovation – Development Bank of Namibia 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch PBL-NET Africa 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operationalising RUFORUM Nodes: Consultative Workshop to strengthen operations 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy Dialogue 3: Africa - Europe high level policy dialogue on higher agricultural education 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 2 Link: https://bit.ly/3UNg3Tj
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening Regional Programs 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dschang and Makerere University: Promoting Intra-Africa and Global collaboration in the field of Higher Education in Africa 	Mercure Hotel, Brandberg Room
17:00-19:00	OPEN	
19:00-21:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dinner for Dignitaries 	Hotel (TBD)

DAY FOUR

SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE / PARALLEL SESSIONS

Thursday, 15th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice Chancellors Forum 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 1 Link: https://bit.ly/3V6N6mF
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CEA FIRST TASK 2.4 Stakeholders consultation workshop 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AI and Climate Change Side Event 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advancing One Health in Namibia: Strengthening Collaborations and Breaking Silos – COHESA 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior University Leadership -Private Sector Dialogue 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 2 Link: https://bit.ly/3RSVSCX
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIS & CSA modules sharing 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 3
10:30-11:00	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
11:00-13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice Chancellors Forum 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 1 Link: https://bit.ly/3V6N6mF
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CEA FIRST TASK 2.4 Stakeholders consultation workshop 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AI and Climate Change Side Event 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Namibia Focus Side Event on Water, drought and Environment 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advancing One Health in Namibia: Strengthening Collaborations and Breaking Silos – COHESA 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 1
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13:30-14:30	LUNCH BREAK	

14:30-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RUFORUM Board Meeting 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 1 Link: https://bit.ly/4bZyj3l
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CEA FIRST TASK 2.4 Stakeholders consultation workshop 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Namibia Focus Side Event on Water, drought and Environment 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mentorship side event for PhD/ MSc Students 	Mercure Hotel, Room KUISEB 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mentorship side event for Young Career Scientists and Post-doctoral fellows 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIS & CSA modules sharing 	Mercure Hotel, Room Omatako 3
16:30-17:00	HEALTH BREAK	
17:00-19:00	OPEN	
19:00-21:00	OPEN	

DAY FIVE

RUFORUM 20th AGM & SECOND TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE CLOSING CEREMONY

Friday, 16th August 2024

MORNING, AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS

TIME	EVENT	VENUE
08:30-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AGM Business Meeting 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/44SFabK
10:30-11:00	HEALTH BREAK & GROUP PHOTO	
11:00-13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closing ceremony 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom Link: https://bit.ly/3yqt3XB
13:00-14:30	LUNCH BREAK	
14:30-15:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tours 	
15:30-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LOC Namibia/ROC/LOC Botswana Meeting (Closed Meeting) 	Mercure Hotel, Grand Ballroom
16:30-19:00	OPEN	
19:00-21:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closing Dinner 	IUM, Tunana Hall

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