

Expression of Interest for Staff Mobility in African Universities

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The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM), a consortium of 126 universities operating in 38 African countries across the African continent is pleased to announce available Academic Staff Mobility fellowship slots for 2020/2021 Academic year. These Staff exchanges are part of RUFORUM's efforts in promoting Africa's regional integration and vibrant academic mobility as stipulated in its [Vision 2030](#). Specifically, the goal of the mobility is to provide for collegial mobility in order to enhance faculty-teaching, research and collaboration among RUFORUM Member Universities situated across the five geographical regions of Africa. These exchanges will contribute to improving the quality of teaching at the member universities.

While the call is open for teaching and research at the different RUFORUM member universities, it particularly invites applications for teaching at the following African Higher Education Centres of Excellence where we have negotiated for joint funding:

- i) Makerere University Regional Center for Crop Improvement ([MaRCCI](#)) with a focus on [plant breeding and biotechnology](#),
- ii) Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR) with focus on [Aquaculture & Fisheries](#), and other programmes courses under the [ACE programme](#).
- iii) Haramaya University (HU) with focus on Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Management and other programmes courses under the [ACE programme](#).

The objectives of the RUFORUM staff mobility programme include;

1. Exchange of Ideas, and good practices that will contribute to enhancing teaching in both sending and receiving universities
2. Promote academic mobility across Africa in order to build cooperation among the RUFORUM member universities and promote regional learning and integration
3. Promote cultural, social and political awareness through interaction of faculty staff and Fellows across Africa

Who can apply?

Applications are invited from qualified teaching faculty staff/Post-Doctoral Fellows who are employed at any RUFORUM member university or research institution within a RUFORUM member country and/or African diaspora. **The academic staff/Fellow must be a PhD holder.** Women are especially encouraged to participate in this Programme.

Duration

The staff exchanges duration are planned for a period of 2-4 weeks.

Financial Support

The staff exchange fellowships will be facilitated as follows;

1. A return economy class air ticket or the equivalent and Honorarium will be covered by RUFORUM Secretariat.
2. Accommodation, meals and local transport will be provided by the host university.

Home/Host Institution Obligations

The Home Institution of the visiting professor/lecturer shall maintain the payment of his/her salary and benefits for the duration of his/her absence from the institution for the purpose of the exchange mission.

Please refer to [our guide to applicants](#) for more detailed information.