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1. Essay contest 'Women and climate change

Call for papers deadline 1 June

Deadline : 1st of June

Send in essays to : greens.essaycontest@europarl.europa.eu

See conditions below

The role of human activity in accelerating climate change is beyond doubt. The fourth assessment report (4AR) of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), confirmed that overwhelming scientific evidence links the impact of human activity to climate change and unless action to significantly reduce emissions of greenhouse gases is taken, the world is on a path to runaway warming.

Why is it so important to integrate gender aspects into debates on climate change?

Climate change and climate impacts are not gender neutral. Gender equality is a critical component of responses to climate change at all levels - it should be integrated in all aspects of climate change planning and decision making.

At first glance, it might seem unintuitive to link climate change and gender issues. However, since societies still largely rely on gendered roles and responsibilities, both sexes do not have the same impact on climate change, and perhaps more importantly, are differently affected by it.

Women are disproportionately affected

Gender aspects of climate change are a matter of justice, human rights, and human security. Women are the poorest people in the poorest areas. Moreover, several studies indicate that the death rate in natural disasters can be four times higher for women. We have compelling data on how women are more vulnerable to climate change. It is thus important to be committed to gender sensitive approaches. We must adapt the mechanisms in place so that they reduce, or at least do not increase the gender issues.

Women empowerment and women's role.

Women are change agents on both household and community levels with regard to natural resource management. Women are long-time leaders on poverty eradication and sustainability, and gender equality is a key issue in the climate change debate. If we do not implement gender-sensitive policies to fight climate change, it will have disastrous consequences on the gender balance.

On the other hand, if we include and empower women, who are often responsible for agriculture, food and water supply, as well as first education of the next generation, we will do a better job in addressing climate change and its consequences.

Mainstreaming the gender perspective is not only a sensible choice for our societies; it is a better, more efficient way to reach our goals.

Because this subject is at the very core of our preoccupations as members of the Green Party, we need to have better information and understanding on this subject, and answer these questions:

How can we counteract the disproportionate burden of climate change on women? How to empower women so that they become a key partner in reducing climate change?

How can gender equality be fully integrated into climate policies?

We encourage everyone to send us a paper with ideas and propositions on these issues.

TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

By taking part in the contest, participants agree on the terms of participation.

How and when to hand in my paper?

All papers have to be sent per e-mail

to Greens.essaycontest@europarl.europa.eu before **1 June 2011**, midnight. Papers sent after the deadline will not be accepted.

Who can apply?

Everyone.

Do I have to be a European citizen?

No, contributions from around the world are welcome.

About languages

Papers can be written in one of the four following languages: English, French, German and Spanish.

What kind of paper?

Papers should have the written form of an essay.

How long should the paper be?

Papers should be between 20.000 and 28.000 characters (with spaces) long.

How should it be presented?

Papers should be typed. No handwritten paper will be accepted.

What will happen next?

A jury made up of Green Members of the European Parliament, representatives of the European Green Party, the Federation of Young European Greens, Green Foundations, EGGO (European Green Gender Observatory) and NGOs will select the best essays.

Depending on the number of papers submitted, a pre-jury might do a pre-selection for the final jury.

What is the prize for the winner?

First of all, the best three essay writers will be invited to the Green Summer University in Frankfurt (Oder) and Slubice (1). This invitation includes transportation costs, hotel room for three nights and meals for the four days

The best essays will also be published in their original language and English, with a preface from Members of the Parliament and members of the jury. This book will be printed out and distributed during the University (to be confirmed depending on printing delays). The winners will get 10 copies each.

An event will be organised for the winners to read their essays to a selected audience, followed by a private dinner with members of the jury.

(1) The Summer University is a European event organized by the Greens in the European Parliament. Last time, it brought together almost 1000 people from all walks of life. Greens and non-Greens, NGO representatives, scientists, managers and trade unionists, intellectuals and artists, students and other young people attended 4 plenary sessions and 46 workshops, 10 cultural events and 10 excursions.

2. Google Ideas Associate, Business Operations and Strategy – New York

This position is based in New York, NY.

The area: Business Operations and Strategy, Google Ideas

Google Ideas is a “think/do tank” focused on connecting across different sectors, disciplines and experiences to understand and act upon global challenges in new and innovative ways. The establishment of this team is based on the fact that there are many complex global challenges – social, economic, political, security – that remain unresolved despite lots of experts thinking about them and vast resources being allocated to them. The advent of connection technologies is helping to resolve some of these challenges, but these tools remain significantly under-utilized and are also increasing the complexity of challenges as hostile actors are leveraging their capabilities. Google Ideas is situated within the Business

Operations & Strategy Group, a broader team that thinks strategically and globally about entire industries and helps Google define business and operational initiatives that contribute to the company's growth.

The role: Google Ideas Associate, Business Operations and Strategy

As a Google Ideas Associate in Business Operations and Strategy, you will project manage and support a range of major initiatives by leveraging sound business judgment with your strong technical, problem-solving, communication and analytical skills. You will bring creative and highly technical project management skills and will be highly effective at bringing together non-traditional stakeholders and forging partnerships across sectors, disciplines, and experiences. The major initiatives you will support will be centered around particular global challenges related to democracy, governance and human rights. You will be expected to break through different silos of expertise, methodological approaches, and resources to ensure we take the most comprehensive and inclusive approach to how we think about and act on some of the world's most complex challenges. You will be able to demonstrate effective leadership, entrepreneurial, and research skills in very different settings and geographic locations around the world. Professionally, you bring demonstrated experience in technology, project management, and startups.

Responsibilities:

- Manage projects and act as a liaison between technical and non-technical teams, both internally and externally
- Structure complex, ambiguous, and potentially charged business issues for Google's executive team
- Gather and analyze massive amounts of information expeditiously
- Develop compelling, insightful recommendations and ideas and be able to convey them through high-caliber written products
- Influence decision making within senior-level audiences both in/out of the company; position may require interfacing with international leaders on a local and national level

Requirements:

- BA/BS degree preferred with strong academic record; advanced degree and/or technology-related degrees preferred (e.g. Computer Science, Electrical Engineering)
- At least 4 years of post-graduate level experience
- Extensive experience functioning in highly technical environments, technical project management experience a must (hands-on experience preferred)
- Successful track record of bringing together non-traditional stakeholders and building partnerships across sectors, disciplines and experiences, strong preference for candidates with vast international networks of technology professionals and startups
- Background in international relations a plus; travel experience and fieldwork (Middle East, South Asia, Africa, and/or Maghreb preferred); language skills a plus (Arabic, Farsi, and/or Urdu are preferred)
- Extensive background in technology required, candidate must be able to exhibit a strong understanding of engineering to the coding level
- Strong project management and consulting skills in fragile states and conflict zones

For more info: <http://www.google.com/intl/en/jobs/uslocations/new-york/busops/strategy/google-ideas-associate-business-operations-and-strategy-new-york/>

3. Awards for new and emerging campaigners – apply now

Would you like to develop your campaigning skills?

[The Campaigner Awards](#) are for people who want to take their campaign to the next level. Over six months, The Sheila McKechnie Foundation (SMK) devises a bespoke programme of support, tailored around your needs, to help you with your campaign.

Apply now!

What do award winners receive?

Our programme of support is designed to work flexibly for busy people! Over six months you will:

- Be invited to a high profile awards ceremony
- Receive one-to-one coaching from a highly experienced campaigner
- Receive mentoring or shadowing sessions with experts in your field
- Receive public affairs and media coaching
- Take part in an intensive and inspiring residential skills-building weekend
- Be invited into the SMK Alumni programme, enabling you to attend talks and events organised by SMK

There are nine [Award categories](#) and the closing date for applications is 1pm on Monday 20th June. For guidance on applying for an award visit the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) page. All costs relating to participating in the programme are covered by SMK.

Not for you, but know a campaigner who could benefit from this support? Please nominate them [here](#).

About SMK

SMK is the only registered charity in the UK dedicated to connecting, informing and supporting campaigners.

SMK:

- Runs an annual awards programme to support new and emerging campaigners
- Runs a series of events about effective campaigning
- Manages [Campaign Central](#), the online community for campaigners
- Promotes the rights of campaigners

Go to our website to read the application criteria and download the application form.

W: smk.org.uk/smk-awards-2011

E: awards@smk.org.uk

T: 020 7700 8231

4. Call for proposals: Reconstructing and Evaluating Historic Daily Meteorological Data

Deadline : 25 May 2011

The objective of this call is to develop or adapt methods for reconstructing spatially- and temporally-complete, historic series of agriculturally-important meteorological variables on a daily time step, by combining available station observations with proxy data; and to evaluate daily historic meteorological data sets for the CCAFS focus regions of East and West Africa. Following the initial proof-of-concept study under this call, CCAFS hopes to secure additional resources to work with collaborating African national meteorological services to apply the methodology with their own station data, to develop and evaluate spatially- and temporally-complete gridded meteorological data sets for agricultural risk management and climate adaptation applications. An initial CCAFS-sponsored project has developed and is testing methods to reconstruct a 28-year time series of gridded (≤ 10 km) historic rainfall on a daily time step, by combining historic station observations with satellite thermal images. This call seeks to extend that work to other meteorological variables that are important for agriculture and needed for agricultural simulation modeling.

The project will develop or adapt methods for reconstructing spatially- and temporally-complete, historic series of agriculturally-important meteorological variables, other than precipitation, on a daily time step, by combining or calibrating proxy data (e.g., remote sensing, climate model reanalysis) with available station observations; and demonstrate and evaluate resulting data sets within the CCAFS focus regions of East and West Africa. The desired variables are daily maximum and minimum temperature (required), solar irradiance; and either potential evapotranspiration, or the additional variables (dewpoint or humidity, and wind) needed to calculate potential evapotranspiration by the Penman-Monteith formula. The project will produce sufficient derived data to demonstrate the feasibility, accuracy and utility of the methodology. The project should demonstrate the ability to produce derived data that are compatible with ongoing work on precipitation, including:

Complete spatial coverage feasible over Eastern and West Africa; Temporal completeness and homogeneity for at-least 28 years; Spatial resolution no coarser than 10 km; Feasibility of combining or calibrating with the full set of station observations; Feasibility of updating with new station observations and proxy estimates.

The project will:

- Either develop and apply new methods, or apply existing methods, to combine proxy data with station observations on a daily time step.
- Identify and secure raw data sets used to estimate temperature and other relevant variables.
- Identify, secure and confirm quality of historic station data to evaluate derived data.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the derived data using sound statistical methodology.

- Evaluate the impact of the derived data on accuracy and bias of crop simulation results.

Required project outputs are a report, algorithms or software to apply the methodology, set(s) of gridded data calibrated/combined with station observations. The project report will include:

- Description of the proxy and validation data sets used. Full description of the methodology.
- Results of evaluation in terms of accuracy, and impact on crop simulation results.

Evaluation can be based on station observations anywhere in Eastern or West Africa, but evaluation in Ethiopia or the CILSS countries of West Africa is preferred for consistency with ongoing work on precipitation data.

Download the full call for proposals and application procedure below.

[rfp-metreconstruction-02.pdf](#)

For details information : [Call for proposals: Reconstructing and Evaluating Historic Daily Meteorological Data](#)

5. Awards for Presentations: “African Climate Teach-In Day”

The [International Climate Change Information Programme](#) (ICCIP), which is organising the first ever “African Climate Change Teach-In Day”, is awarding three prizes for the three best presentations, worthy US\$ 500,00, US\$ 300,00 and US\$ 200,00, along with a Certificate of Honour. The “African Climate Change Teach-In Day” will be held on Friday, the 3rd June 2011. The aim of the event is to offer a platform under which lectures on matters related to climate change in Africa can take place, across the continent.

Participation at the African Climate Teach-In Day is simple and consists of three steps:

Step 1- Please ☐ [register on-line](#) so that you can gain access to the database;

Step 2- Choose a presentation (s) to download. They will be available on the 20th May 2011; ☐

Step 3- Download the presentation(s) and use them on your lecture(s) ☐

The idea of the African Climate Teach-In Day is to foster a truly global debate on climate change in Africa and the challenges it poses. This means, for example, that a presentation prepared by a university lecturer or professor from Zimbabwe, be used at a lecture in Egypt or Senegal. This interaction within Africa on matters related to climate change is the essence of this unique event, the largest initiative on climate change communication which has ever been organised in Africa. African-based experts or scientists undertaking climate-related research on projects in Africa, are warmly invited to take part and submit a power point presentation on a climate activity, programme or project you may be involved with. Flyers and posters of the event can be ordered by contacting ICCIP: info@iccip.net.

For details information : [Awards for Presentations: “African Climate Teach-In Day](#)

6. 2011-2012 Fully Funded CARTA PhD Fellowships, Africa

Deadline : 15 July 2011

The CARTA program draws together disciplines required to address the complex processes that influence health. These disciplines include Epidemiology, Psychology, Biostatistics, Anthropology, Health Economics, Health Promotion; Demography, Sociology, Health Systems, Health Policy, Development Studies, and their interfaces with the biomedical sciences. The CARTA multidisciplinary approach will prepare its graduates to better address questions of contemporary policy relevance such as the social determinants of health, and the limited impact of technological advances on health in Africa. CARTA is currently offering a fully-funded, collaborative doctoral training program in public and population health.

This program has been developed in response to the great challenges faced by Africa's institutions of higher education in addressing the training and retention of the next generation of academics in the region. Women are particularly encouraged to apply. CARTA has also reserved a small number of scholarships specifically for doctoral students conducting research on issues of sexuality and reproductive health and rights.

Participating African Universities: Makerere University, Uganda; Moi University, Kenya; National University of Rwanda; Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria; University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania; University of Ibadan, Nigeria; University of Malawi; University of Nairobi, Kenya; University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa

Participating Research Institutes: African Population & Health Research Center (APHRC), Kenya; Agincourt Population and Health Unit, South Africa; Ifakara Health Institute, Tanzania; KEMRI/Wellcome Trust Research Program, Kenya.

The deadline for application: 15 July 2011.

For details information : [2011-2012 Fully Funded CARTA PhD Fellowships, Africa](#)

7. UNESCO with L'Oreal Corporate Foundation – Young Women in Life Sciences 2012 The UN's

Deadline : 30 June 2011

Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and L'Oreal co-sponsor annual Fellowships for Young Women in Life Sciences. A maximum of three young women (under age 35), from each of five geocultural regions of the world, are awarded research grants in biology, biotechnology, agriculture, and other life sciences. Each fellowship is up to US\$20 thousand for one year, renewable for a second year. Special attention is given to applications from the least-developed countries. The closing date is 30 June 2011.

Within the framework of the UNESCO Co-Sponsored Fellowships Scheme, a joint programme has been launched with the L'ORÉAL Corporate Foundation with a view to promoting the contribution of young women – from all over the world – in research developments in the field of life sciences.

The [UNESCO-L'ORÉAL](#) fellowships scheme focuses on UNESCO's premise that people are the world's greatest resource and that innovation and excellence, especially among the young women community, deserve to be supported and encouraged through the concerted efforts of the international community. The award of the fellowships constitutes a key strategy through which impetus is being given to the enhancement of the role of women in devising scientific solutions to problems confronting humankind in the twenty-first century.

TARGET GROUP

The UNESCO-L'Oréal International Fellowships are designed to identify and reward fifteen deserving, committed and talented young women scientists, from all over the world, active in the field of life sciences. With a view to ensuring that a balanced geographical representation is made, a maximum of three young women, from each of the five geo-cultural regions of the world, will be awarded fellowships.

Candidates must already be engaged in pursuing research at the doctoral or post-doctoral level in one or allied fields of life sciences including biology, biochemistry, biotechnology, agriculture, medicine, pharmacy and physiology. Projects involving animal models (i.e. experimentation using vertebrate laboratory animals) are rejected, and proposals in the area of cosmetics research are NOT encouraged; preference is given to non cosmetic research.

Special attention will be given to candidatures from the [Least Developed Countries\(LDCs\)](#).

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants (maximum four from each applying National Commission) must meet the following general criteria:

1. The National Commission must endorse all applications. UNESCO cannot entertain applications from individuals.
2. Candidates must be no more than 35 years old. Thus, applicants born before 1 January 1977 will not be considered under this programme.
3. Preference will be given to candidates already possessing at the time of application a Ph.D. degree (or equivalent) in the field of the life sciences. However, candidatures from students pursuing studies/research leading to a Ph.D. degree (or equivalent) will also be entertained.
4. Only candidates with the necessary qualifications, who demonstrate outstanding intellectual promise and personal qualities, will be considered under this programme.
5. Candidates must be proficient in reading and writing the language of instruction in the proposed country of study.
6. Applicants must be in good health, both physically and mentally.
7. Candidates may not be in receipt of another fellowship/grant for the project or for the period covered by the fellowship application. If the candidate receives another award, scholarship or fellowship for the proposed research project, she should inform UNESCO immediately to verify whether her application is still valid.

CONDITIONS FOR APPLICATION:

1. Field of study: Life Sciences
2. Closing date for receipt of applications: 30 June 2011
3. The initial fellowship is for a maximum period of 12 months, for a maximum sum of \$20,000. The fellowship can be extended for up to 12 additional months with up to \$20,000 additional funding upon request of the Fellow and validation of the Selection Committee.
4. Duration of stay in the host country/laboratory:

At least half of the period of the fellowship must be undertaken abroad.. All fellows are required to complete the research project in her own country for a minimum of two months.

5. Possible date of commencing the project: Any time between 1 March 2012 & 1 March 2013

6. Applications for extension may only be made for the project for which the original fellowship was granted. To request an extension and additional funding, the following documents should be submitted 3 months before the ending date of the fellowship:

i. Three letters of recommendation issued by

(a) the host institution,

(b) the research supervisors at the host institution, and

(c) the academic institution/laboratory in the fellow's home country.

ii. A research report on progress to date on the project and a proposal justifying the need for an extension with details of the work to be done.

iii. A budget estimate specifying how the second grant will be utilized.

7. Upon termination of the fellowship, the beneficiary must agree to return to her country so that the knowledge acquired may be put to good use in local research and training programmes.

THE RESEARCH PROJECT :

The research proposal should cover the following points:

- Why? The concrete nature of the proposed project's contribution to the life sciences; its innovative, original aspects; and the scope and purpose of the research project. The candidate should demonstrate that the reasons of the theoretical and practical knowledge or training acquired at the host laboratory would be beneficial to her on-going research project.
- What? The expected results or impact of the research project being undertaken.
- How? Describe the proposed arrangements for conducting the research.
- Where? The proposed country, where research will be undertaken and the name and address of the host institute/laboratory.
- When? The time-framework explicitly stating the proposed starting date and the suggested duration of research which should be of twelve months maximum. Because the possibility for extension exists, it would be useful also to give an indication of further development of the project beyond the 1-year time frame.
- How much? A detailed budget estimate indicating the resources required for the candidate to undertake the proposed research. The amount should not exceed USD20,000. All figures must be shown in US dollars and must be stated on a separate page. The total amount indicated should cover, exclusively, the international or domestic travel costs for the proposed itinerary and tuition fees, if any, including personal subsistence abroad, etc. Applicants should be realistic in compiling their estimated budgets, and consider that an average of USD1500 per month for accommodation and meals (including local transportation and incidentals) should not be exceeded. Applications where funds requested are judged to be excessive in relation to the objectives and importance of the project are likely to be considered for a smaller grant.

The following costs are not eligible: computer or equipment purchases; publication costs; attendance at conferences, unless a case can be made that such attendance is an integral part of the research and would make a direct and significant contribution to the outcome of the development of life sciences.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

All applications must be submitted with the required documentation on the prescribed and enclosed application forms. Each Member State may nominate up to a maximum of four

candidatures. It is the National Commission's responsibility to select candidates that it wishes to submit to UNESCO. The National Commission is also invited to seek the cooperation of the local scientific community to ensure high standard candidatures that will then have more chances of being selected. The application(s) should reach the Fellowships Programme Section (ERC/RPO/FEL), UNESCO (7, Place de Fontenoy 75352 Paris 07P) before 30 June 2011. [An electronic copy of this letter and the application form](#) is available in the UNESCO Fellowships' website. Advance copy may be sent by fax: +331.45.68.55.02/03 or by e-mail: a.zaid@unesco.org/c.dixon-cifuentes@unesco.org (MSWord or PDF format document exclusively).

The application must have the following attachments:

- a) The UNESCO Fellowship application form duly completed, in English or in French, in duplicate. Two recent photographs should be included with the form.
- b) An e-mail address regularly used by the candidate.
- c) Certified copies of degree or diplomas (including transcript of grades) in duplicate. Proof either of having obtained a Ph.D. degree or of being in the process of studying for a Ph.D. degree must be included.
- d) A list of publications, if any.
- e) A letter of recommendation from someone familiar with the candidate's work.
- f) A host institute's letter of acceptance (i.e. the institute that has accepted the candidate for work should she be selected for a fellowship). This letter of acceptance must indicate the name of the academic supervisor, the date and duration, and the host institute's willingness to provide the relevant training facilities required by the candidate in the chosen field of specialization.
- g) The certificate of language proficiency (on UNESCO form) duly completed in duplicate for the language of the country of study (should this be different from the candidate's mother tongue) and signed by the competent authority.
- h) Detailed proposal for the research project: one to two page(s) (maximum), in either English or French.

UNESCO-L'ORÉAL INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

The UNESCO-L'Oréal International Fellowships include the following:

- The financial contribution specific previously.
- Participation in the Fellowship Training Programme.
- Round-trip travel for the selected beneficiaries from their country of residence to attend For Women in Science week in Paris, France, (date not yet determined) to attend an awards ceremony (sine qua non condition for the award of the fellowship).
- Lodging and pocket money during the stay in Paris for For Women in Science Week and the Fellowship Ceremony.
- A certificate attesting to the special award.

SELECTION OF BENEFICIARIES

A special Selection Committee made up of representatives of UNESCO, the L'ORÉAL Foundation, and Life Sciences research community or institutions will make the selection of the candidates. The International Basic Science Programme (IBSP) will be also consulted during the selection process. A member of the IBSP may take part in the selection.

UNESCO and the L'ORÉAL Foundation allocate the greatest importance to originality and quality. Consideration will be given only to well-structured projects that demonstrate innovation, creativity and relevance, and which are likely to contribute to enhance knowledge in life sciences.

Files which are incomplete or which are received after the deadline for application, as well as candidatures that do not meet the requirements mentioned above, will not be taken into consideration.

Additional information on the results of the past years' programme can be obtained by consulting the following website: www.forwomeninscience.com

Only selected candidates will be contacted by UNESCO.

Candidates who have not been informed of their selection by end of September 2011 should consider that their applications have not been successful in the selection process.

Project Document

[2012 – LOREAL UNESCO International Fellowships for Young Women in Life Sciences Announcement letter.pdf](#)

Announcement date

15 Mar 2011

Deadline for applications

30 Jun 2011

Website (URL)

<http://www.loreal.com/en/ww/index.aspx?direct1=00008&direct2=00008/00003&direct3=00008/00003/00002&direct4=00008/00003/00002/00010>

For details information : [UNESCO with L'Oreal Corporate Foundation – Young Women in Life Sciences 2012 The UN's](#)

8. International Livestock Research Institute – Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund 2011

Deadline : 10 June 2011

The Biosciences eastern and central Africa (BecA) Hub announces research fellowships for African agricultural scientists and students. Funding will cover travel, accommodation, stipend, and research costs for short-term projects. Research should focus on food and nutritional security or animal health, using the advanced capacity available at the BecA Hub. The program will accept 15 individuals from the BecA countries (listed in the announcement). Applications should be received before 10 June 2011.

The Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund is a competitive fund which facilitates access to the Biosciences eastern and central Africa (BecA) Hub at the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) for scientists and students from African national research institutes and universities. Fellowships awarded through the Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund support short-term placements for scientists and students from the BecA region to access the world-class facilities and expertise at the BecA Hub at ILRI, located in Nairobi, Kenya.

With financial support from AusAID, the Australian Government's overseas aid program, the BecA Hub is working with Australia's Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) to build capacity in the African agricultural sciences community. The BecA-CSIRO partnership is offering fifteen fellowships through the Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund in 2011.

The BecA-CSIRO partnership supplements the continuing support of the Syngenta Foundation for Sustainable Agriculture (SFSA), which provides financial support to the BecA Hub to ensure that our facilities are accessible to the African scientific community. We gratefully acknowledge SFSA's commitment to Africa's agricultural development through its partnerships with the scientific community and projects with smallholders.

Funding will cover travel, accommodation, stipend and research costs.

We are seeking applicants from the 17 BecA countries (listed below) who have developed ideas for short-term projects (2-4 months) related to food and nutritional security or animal health, to use the advanced molecular biology and bioinformatics capacity available at the BecA Hub. While at the Hub, Fellows will have access to our facilities and receive support from our scientists and capacity building technicians.

Women are encouraged to apply. The projects will be selected on a competitive basis.

BecA Hub at ILRI

BecA is an initiative developed within the framework of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)/African Union African Biosciences Initiative. Located at and managed by ILRI in Nairobi, Kenya, the BecA Hub provides a common biosciences research platform, research-related services and capacity building opportunities to the region and beyond. The Hub aims to increase access to affordable, world-class research facilities and to create and strengthen human resources in biosciences and related disciplines in Africa. The facility has approximately 10,000 square meters of laboratory and support spaces, including a biosafety level (BSL) 3 laboratory and non-containment and containment (BSL2) plant growth facilities. The BecA Hub has facilities for genotyping, genetic sequencing and analysis, including ABI Genetic Analyzers, a Roche 454 next generation sequencer, and a bioinformatics computing platform. Training is provided in each of these areas as appropriate by dedicated staff (BecA Hub scientists capacity building technicians, SegoliP research-related services unit and ILRI Bioinformatics team). The Hub works with African scientists and their partners from around the globe to address key constraints to African agriculture.

Applicant requirements:

- Working knowledge of English
- PhD or MSc in any agricultural bioscience area
- Currently affiliated with an African national agricultural research program or university
- From one of the BecA countries: Burundi, Cameroon, Central Africa Republic, Congo Brazzaville, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Kenya, Madagascar, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda.
- Completed [application form](#), concept note and curriculum vitae submitted by 10 June 2011 to r.njunge@cgiar.org

For details information : [International Livestock Research Institute – Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund 2011](#)

9. Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) – Comparative Research Networks 2011

Deadline : 15 June 2011

CODESRIA supports researchers in African universities and research centers through funding for Comparative Research Networks. The networks address priority research themes within CODESRIA's strategic plan, including:

Water and Water Resources in the Political Economy of Development and Citizenship;□

Ecology, Climate, and Environmental Sustainability in Africa (among many other themes).□

Recent grants range from US\$10 – 35 thousand per network. CODESRIA favors CRNs which are multidisciplinary, gender issues sensitive and inclusive of the younger. Proposals deadline: 15 June 2011.

Within the framework of its strategy for building comparative knowledge on Africa produced from within the African continent, the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) invites proposals from researchers based in African universities and centres of research for the constitution of Comparative Research Networks (CRNs) to undertake studies on or around any of the themes identified as priority research themes within the framework of the CODESRIA strategic plan for the period 2007 – 2011. The primary purpose for which the CRNs have been introduced is to encourage the development and consolidation of a comparative analytic perspective in the work of African social researchers. In so doing, it is hoped to establish a strong corpus of comparative studies produced by African scholars and which could help to advance theoretical knowledge and discussion. Priority research themes for the constitution of CODESRIA CRNs include the following:

1. Re-thinking (African) Development;
2. Re-thinking Democracy (in Africa);
3. Engendering Democracy and Development;
4. Transitions in African Higher Education;
5. Reforming the African Public Sector: Retrospect and Prospect;
6. The Changing Political Economy of African Natural Resources;
7. African Encounters with the Global System;
8. The Popular Arts, Identity and Culture in Contemporary Africa;
9. Health, Politics and Society in Contemporary Africa;
10. Migration Dynamics and the Making of New Diasporic Communities;
11. Changing Rural-Urban Linkages;
12. New Regionalist Impulses in Africa;
13. New Institutions of Transitional Justice;
14. Conflict and Reconstruction in Africa;
15. Law, Politics and Society;
16. State, Political Identity and Political Violence;
17. Political Pluralism and the Management of Diversity;
18. Water and Water Resources in the Political Economy of Development and Citizenship;
19. Ecology, Climate and Environmental Sustainability in Africa;
20. Transport and Transportation Systems in Africa;
21. Africa and the "Emerging" Powers of the Global South (China, India, Brazil...)
22. Religion, Spirituality and Power in Africa

Interested researchers are requested to highlight clearly the comparative question which they wish to pursue. Each proposal should include: an introduction – problem statement –

review of related literature – the objectives of the study – the research methodology – the results – the outline of the proposed budget and time frame knowing that the total duration of the study is 18 months from the date of launch. Furthermore the proposal should indicate, the membership composition of the network, including the coordinator(s) of the group; the biodata and institutional affiliation of the network members; copies of the curriculum vitae of the coordinator(s) and members of the network; the budget outline for the activities that are proposed. The identification sheet attached to this call shall be filled and sent along with the elements of CRN. Any application submitted does not contain the required elements will not be taken into account. Apart from the CVs of members of networks proposals should not exceed 12 pages (font: Times New Roman, size of fonts: 12, line spacing: single).

Authors of proposals submitted for consideration are urged to pay close attention to the comparative methodology which they will be applying and to demonstrate a proper understanding of the challenges of carrying out comparative studies. The independent Selection Committee that will be reviewing the CRN proposals received will be mandated to eliminate all proposals that are either silent on the comparative question that will be researched and the corresponding comparative methodology that will be employed or which show an inadequate understanding of the challenges of comparative research.

Each CRN will be entitled to organise three meetings during its lifespan, one methodological; the second one to evaluate the progress of the work of the members of the group and a final one to wind up the work. Although the budget that will be approved for the CRNs to be supported will vary from group to group, prospective applicants may wish to note for indicative purposes only that the grants that were awarded by CODESRIA in the recent past ranged from USD10,000 to USD35,000. Similarly, although no specific format is required for the presentation of the budget for the work that is proposed, authors may wish to note that resources will be allocated by the Council to cover the following costs:

- i) A methodological workshop for the members of the CRN;
- ii) A review workshop at which the progress of the work of the CRN members will be assessed;
- iii) The field work to be undertaken by the members of the network;
- iv) Books to be purchased for the work of the CRN;
- v) Honorariums to be paid to the members of the CRN for the work undertaken.
- vi) Final workshop

The size of a CRN will vary from proposal to proposal, on average, of four to six members. It is advantageous to ensure that a proposed CRN is multidisciplinary in composition, sensitive to gender issues, and accommodative of younger scholars.

For the 2011 competition, CODESRIA will be open to receive proposals up to **15 June, 2011**. Notification of the result of the selection exercise will be made by 31 July, 2011. The methodology workshop for the selected CRNs will be in September 2011. Proposals (electronic versions) for the constitution of CRNs should be sent to:

Comparative Research Networks
CODESRIA,
BP 3304, CP 18524
Dakar, Senegal.
Tel: +221-33825 98 22/23
Fax: +221-33824 12 89
E-mail: crn@codesria.org
Web Site: <http://www.codesria.org/>

[Identification Form](#) (Excel, 23.5 kb)

[Fiche d'identification](#) (Excel, 23.5 kb)

For details information : [Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa \(CODESRIA\) – Comparative Research Networks 2011](#)

10. BBC World Challenge – Global Competition 2011

Deadline : 19 June 2011

World Challenge 2011 is jointly organized by BBC World News Limited and Newsweek to identify projects and small businesses from around the world that feature exceptional enterprise and innovation at a grassroots level. The categories include sustainable farming, energy, water, and environment (among others). The winner will receive a grant of US\$20 thousand; the second and third finalists will each receive grants of US\$10 thousand. The closing date for nominations is 19 June 2011.

For details information : [BBC World Challenge – Global Competition 2011](#)

11. TWAS – Fellowships 2011 Now Open

Deadline : Range from 30 June 15 September 2011

Each year, the Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS) coordinates with participating research institutions in the developing world to host visiting research fellows. The 2011 call announces fellowships for post-graduate training; post-graduate training for women only; post-doctoral research; and advanced research. The fields of research include biotechnology, natural sciences, chemical and biological sciences, and others. Partner (host) organizations are located in Brazil, China, India, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Pakistan, and Thailand. The deadlines range from 30 June – 15 September 2011.

For details information : <http://twas.ictp.it/prog/exchange/fells/fells-overview>

12. TWAS – Prizes for Young African Scientists 2011

Deadline : 30 June each year

The AU-TWAS Young Scientist National Awards are prizes of US\$5 thousand to young (*not over age 40*) African scientists in each of two categories: life and earth sciences; and basic sciences, technology, and innovation. Participating countries are Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Lesotho, Malawi, Nigeria, Senegal, Sudan, and Zimbabwe. The closing date for nominations is 30 June each year.

AU-TWAS Young Scientists National Awards

The African Union and TWAS offer support for African countries to institute awards for young African scientists.

TWAS, the African Union (AU) and national ministries of science and technology are entering into partnership with national science academies, scientific research councils and high-level research organizations in Africa to institute 'AU-TWAS Young Scientist National Awards'.

The awards are designed to recognize scientific excellence in their countries. In each participating country, two US\$5,000-prizes will be awarded each year in the categories of:

- 'Life and earth sciences', and
- 'Basic sciences, technology and innovation'.

For African countries, this programme replaces the [TWAS Prizes for Young Scientists in Developing Countries](#) award scheme.

Procedure

- African organizations intending to award AU-TWAS Young Scientist National Awards in their respective countries are required to sign an agreement of collaboration with TWAS, the AU and their national ministry of science and technology that outlines the rules and regulations governing the scheme. The scheme is then managed by the participating organization while TWAS and the AU provide the prize money.
- Candidates eligible for the prizes should be no older than forty years of age at the time of winning the prize; hold at least a Master's degree; have a good record of research publications in internationally recognized journals; be living and working in the country of the awarding organization for at least the previous three years.
- Nominations of women scientists are particularly encouraged.
- The closing date for nominations should be **30 June** each year: **Africa Scientific Renaissance Day**.
- A committee of eminent scientists in the country — including TWAS members, where applicable — should be formed for selecting the prize winners. Names of committee members should be sent to TWAS for information.
- The awarding organizations should send a complete profile of the selected nominees to TWAS, providing details on their achievements together with curriculum vitae and list of publications. Approval of TWAS and the AU is required before announcing the names of the winners.
- The prize should be presented to the awardees by a high-ranking public figure (e.g., head of state/government, minister of science and technology) at a special ceremony held each year on **9 September: Africa Union Day**.

Participating Organizations

To date, TWAS and the AU have signed agreements with ministries of science and technology and participating organizations in 12 countries. The participating organizations are:

- Benin: *Centre Beninois de la Recherche Scientifique et Technique* (CBRST)
- Burkina Faso: *Centre Nationale de la Recherche Scientifique et Technologique* (CNRST)
- Cameroon: Cameroon Academy of Sciences
- Egypt: Academy of Scientific Research and Technology (ASRT)
- Ghana: Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences
- Guinea: *Organisation Scientifique National de Stimulation de la Recherche en Guinee*
- Lesotho: Department of Science and Technology

- Malawi: National Commission for Science and Technology
- Nigeria: Nigerian Academy of Sciences
- Senegal: National Academy of Science and Technology (ANSTS)
- Sudan: Sudan Institute for Natural Sciences (SIFNS)
- Zimbabwe: Zimbabwe Academy of Sciences

This programme is for science academies, research councils or high-level research organizations in developing countries. For information about joining the scheme, please contact:

AU-TWAS Young Scientist National Awards

ICTP Campus
Strada Costiera 11
34151 Trieste
Italy

Fax: +39 040 2240 7387

E-mail: prizes@twas.org

For details information : <http://twas.ictp.it/prog/prizes/au-twas-young-scientist-national-awards>

13. TWAS – Grants for International Meetings 2011

Deadline : 01 June and 01 December each year

The Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS) makes grants to support the organization of high-level international and regional scientific activities in developing countries by offering financial assistance for conferences, workshops, symposia, and special meetings held in these countries. Application deadlines are 01 June and 01 December each year.

Support for International Scientific Meetings

With funds provided by the Italian government, TWAS encourages the organization of high-level international and regional scientific activities in developing countries by offering financial assistance to the organizers of such events. Deadlines for applications: 1 June for meetings to be held during January-June of the following year, and 1 December for meetings to be held during July-December of the following year.

Since 1986, TWAS has been supporting scientists and institutions in developing countries through a wide range of programmes including supporting scientific meetings organized in developing countries. With funds provided by the [Italian government](#), TWAS encourages the organization of high level international and regional scientific activities in developing countries by offering financial assistance to the organizers of conferences, workshops, symposia and special meetings held in these countries.

Grants are offered for meetings in the following fields of natural sciences: **agricultural, biological, chemical, engineering, geological and medical sciences**. Grants are not offered for meetings in physics and mathematics; these fields are covered by a [similar](#)

[programme](#) sponsored by the Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP).

- Support is normally provided in the form of travel grants for principal speakers from abroad and/or participants from developing countries other than the country where the meeting is held. The amount provided normally does not exceed US\$5,000.
- Special consideration will be given to those meetings that are likely to benefit the scientific community in developing countries and promote regional and international cooperation in science, technology and innovation and their applications to real-world problems.
- TWAS only considers applications made by **organizers** of international and regional scientific meetings in developing countries. TWAS does not provide support to individual scientists wishing to attend a scientific event, even if the event is taking place in a developing country.
- The grant is intended only for air tickets.
- TWAS must be acknowledged as a co-sponsor in all material and websites related to the supported activity.
- Funds can only be released after the meeting and upon receipt of the original used ticket stubs and boarding passes of the participants benefiting from the grant.
- Immediately after the meeting, organizers should send TWAS a final narrative and financial report, the final scientific programme and the list of participants and lecturers.
- All documentary evidence needed to release funds from TWAS must be submitted by the organizers within six months from the end of the meeting.

Application

- Complete the electronic application form below (see "Related Content" at the bottom of the page) using Microsoft Word or any other word-processing programme.
- The application must be signed by both the applicant and the head of the institution.
- Incomplete and/or unsigned applications cannot be considered.
- The application form should be completed in all its parts and sent by email to mahdavi@twas.org.

TWAS will acknowledge receipt of an application within two weeks. If you do not receive an acknowledgment within this period, please contact: Mrs M.T. Mahdavi, TWAS, ICTP Campus, Strada Costiera 11, 34014 Trieste, Italy. Phone: +39-040-2240325, Fax: +39-040-224559, E-mail: mahdavi@twas.org

Deadlines

for receiving applications are:

- **1 June** for meetings to be held during *January-June of the following year*
- **1 December** for meetings to be held during *July-December of the following year*

We strongly recommend that you do not wait until the deadline but submit the application as early as you can to enable us to process your application as fast as possible. Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their requests within four months of each deadline.

For details information : <http://twas.ictp.it/prog/meetings/support-for-international-scientific-meetings>

14. Food and Agriculture Organization – ACP/FLEGT 4th Call for Proposals

Deadline : 20 May 2011

ACP-FLEGT makes grants to support Forest Law Enforcement, Governance, and Trade in the ACP (African, Caribbean, and Pacific) countries. The program is funded by the European Commission and administered by FAO's Forestry Department. Eligible applicants are ACP government institutions, civil society organizations, and private-sector organizations. Maximum funding is 100 thousand euros for pilot projects; 50 thousand euros for technical assistance projects; and 25 thousand euros for direct assistance to governments in ACP countries. The deadline for proposals is 20 May 2011.

The Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade Support Programme for African, Caribbean and Pacific countries (ACP-FLEGT Support Programme) is a collaborative effort among the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the European Commission and the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP) to address forest law enforcement, governance and trade issues in ACP member countries.

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is issuing a call for proposals through its *Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade Support Programme to African, Caribbean and Pacific Countries* (ACP-FLEGT Support Programme).

The ACP-FLEGT Support Programme, through funding from the European Commission, provides assistance to ACP countries to put the European Union FLEGT Action Plan into practice and supports sharing FLEGT-related information and lessons learned among ACP country stakeholder groups.

Eligible stakeholder groups (ACP country government institutions, civil society and private sector organizations) are encouraged to submit proposals for either pilot projects or technical assistance.

Proposals must address one of the nine FLEGT thematic areas in an ACP Country or group of countries. Special consideration will be given to proposals that support three under-represented thematic areas:

- Private sector organization initiatives; ☐
- Domestic or regional market issues; and ☐
- Information and knowledge of FLEGT. ☐

Proposals that support multi-stakeholder processes or build partnerships are encouraged. The nine FLEGT thematic areas and guidelines on how to apply are provided on the ACP-FLEGT Support Programme website **www.fao.org/forestry/acp-flegt**, which includes eligibility information, a list of ACP countries, submission and selection processes, the format for proposals and funding limits.

Proposals may be submitted **electronically** or by **fax**. Electronic submissions should be sent by e-mail to **acp-flegt-call-for-proposals@fao.org**. The signature page must be signed, scanned and submitted with the electronic form of the proposal. Completed and signed proposals may be submitted by fax, Attention: Programme Manager, at: **+39 06 570 55514**.

Please submit your proposal on or before **Friday 20 May 2011 at 17:00h GMT + 1.**

Contact the ACP-FLEGT Support Programme, Forestry Department, FAO with any questions at e-mail: **acp-flegt-info@fao.org**

For details information: <http://www.fao.org/forestry/acp-flegt/en/>

15. Development marketplace – Cameroon DM 2011

2011 Country DM – Cameroon: Strengthening Community Participation for a Better Local Governance in Health, Education and Forest Resource Management

Deadline : 31 May 2011

The Development Marketplace announces the Cameroon DM 2011 to improve citizen participation and governance in health, education, and forest resource management. The competition is open to submissions from innovators within non-profit civil society organizations. Grants are up to US\$20 thousand for one year. The competition is sponsored by the Cameroon Office of the World Bank, in partnership with Catholic Relief Services. The application deadline is 31 May 2011.

The Competition is in Opened status.

Competition No: Cameroon DM2011

Award Pool: \$320,000

Competition Type: Country Specific

Competition Status: Opened

Country: Cameroon

Region: Africa

Sectors: Anti-Corruption, Decentralization & Subnational Regional Economics, Education, Forestry, Health, Nutrition & Population

Themes: Improving Citizen Participation and Governance in Health, Education and Forest Resource Management

Website(s): www.cameroonDM.org

The competition is accepting applications for innovative or original ideas from associations, NGOs and common initiative groups working in Cameroon. Applications will be accepted between 28 April and 31 May 2011.

The overarching objective of the Cameroon Development Marketplace is to stimulate the demand from civil society for better governance and service delivery within the following sectors: health, education and forest resources management.

The competition will attract ideas from a range of innovators within non-profit civil society organizations (Associations, Non-governmental organisations, and Common Initiatives Groups). It is sponsored by the Cameroon Office of the World Bank, in partnership with Catholic Relief Services (CRS).

The specific objectives of the DM are to:

- * identify and support grass-roots innovative activities aimed at generating and articulating demand for better governance and accountability, and improving public service delivery in health, education and forest resource management; and

- * share knowledge and ideas between CSOs, development partners and the government of Cameroon.

An open event will be held in Yaoundé in mid-July, where finalists' initiatives will be displayed, reviewed and selected by an independent jury. Winning proposals will be awarded grants from XAF 7,000,000.- to XAF 12,000,000.-, for a project period of 12 months. The total award pool is US\$ 320,000.

Proposals will be evaluated on the following 5 criteria:

1. Innovation

Applicants must describe at least 3 separate elements that differentiate the proposed project from the existing ones. Projects should describe their approach as it relates to increasing citizen participation and improving local governance in health, education and forest resource management.

2. Potential for Replication in Other Sites

The application should describe how the project could be replicated in other places to help solve similar problems.

3. Impact in the Community

The project document should explain what changes are expected regarding the quality of local services and governance in: transparency, participation, accountability. Describe the anticipated impact on the project beneficiaries.

4. Results

The proposed project must illustrate at least four concrete results in increased citizen participation within the Education, Health and Forest Resource Management sectors.

5. Sustainability

The project should outline measures in place to monitor and evaluate the quality of implementation, whether the project reaches its stated goals, and how it plans to move forward beyond grant funding.

Details: <http://wbi.worldbank.org/developmentmarketplace/competition/2011-country-dm-cameroon-strengthening-community-participation-better-local-governance-h>

16. Intern with the Refugee Youth Summer Academy

Since its inception in 1999, the Refugee Youth Program has developed partnerships with New York City public schools, community-based organizations and local colleges and universities to support the positive development of refugee youth and their communities in New York City. The Refugee Youth Program provides year round programming working directly with refugee youth, their parents and families, and their schools.

The Refugee Youth Summer Academy is a six-week program focusing on English literacy and math skills newly arrived refugee youth need to succeed at their grade level in the New York

City public system. In the morning students participate in academic classes while afternoon sessions are reserved for creative arts and recreational activities including sports, arts and crafts, theatre, music and dance. Field Trips are held on Fridays.

The Refugee Youth Program is currently looking for interns to support this year's Summer Academy. To apply for an internship, please click on any of the links below for details and requirements:

- [Peer Counselor](#)
- [Family Literacy Teacher](#)
- [Education Services Intern](#)
- [Assistant Teacher](#)
- [Assistant Program Manager](#)

17. Internship Available

15,300 pro rata per annum (short-term contract, four months)

Deadline – 6pm Friday 20 May

Interviews, including a written test, will be held on Thursday 2 June

We are currently engaged in research and policy work on how the recession is affecting cities' economic performance and prospects, in-depth research with specific Partner Cities and developing the Centre's City Performance Indices.

We are looking for an intern to work with the team on a range of projects relating to city policy and economic performance. This is a fantastic opportunity for someone seeking a first step in the world of policy and research.

The postholder would gain in-depth experience of a range of research duties through supporting the Centre's core research team. Specific tasks for interns include: qualitative and quantitative research on aspects of the economies of UK cities and towns and desk-based research into economic conditions, trends and strategies in a number of UK and international cities.

You will be based in the Centre for Cities office on London's South Bank for a period of four months (full-time), starting as soon as possible.

If you are interested in applying for an internship, please download a job description and application form. Completed application forms should be sent to info@centreforcities.org or HR, Centre for Cities, Enterprise House, 59-65 Upper Ground, London SE1 9PQ.

18. Announcing the 2nd IAVE World Summit on Youth Volunteering!

Partners of the Americas and Universidad del Norte (Uninorte) have partnered with the International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE) to celebrate the work of youth leaders at the 2nd IAVE World Summit on Youth Volunteering in Barranquilla, Colombia from November 3-5, 2011. The Summit will bring together youth from around the world to share best practices, to participate in trainings and capacity building, and to highlight the Important role of youth in our society. The Summit is open to youth aged 16-30 from across the globe, and to adults who work with, or are interested in working with youth. For more information, visit

<http://www.worldyouthsummit.org/index.html>

