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#### 11 - 17 February 2021

# Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF)

A study conducted by *icipe* researchers has found that women take longer to finish their PhDs and publish less. The paper, <u>Making it to the PhD: Gender and student performance in Sub-Saharan Africa</u>, was prepared to inform the preparation of a gender strategy for the Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF). One of RSIF's major objectives is to correct imbalances in the number of women and disadvantaged groups in the fields of applied sciences, engineering and technology in Africa. https://www.universityworldnews.com/post.php?story=20210207174249986

## **Integrated Pest Management**

*icipe*'s locust and Fall armyworm (FAW) control measures are among the effective ecological responses to infestations by damaging pests. The Centre has also developed biopesticides that are safer and more effective because they do not kill beneficial pests and microbes that are natural enemies of the locusts and FAW.

https://foodtank.com/news/2021/02/selling-the-past-as-innovation-in-africa/

## Insects for Food, Feed, and other Uses (INSEFF)

Prof Baldwyn Torto was part of a research team that investigated the nutritional value of edible stinkbug (*Encosternum delegorguei*) native to southern and central Africa. The study, published in the PloS ONE journal, recommends that carbohydrate-based diets such as cereals and cassava can be fortified with powdered, processed edible stink bugs to improve their nutritional uptake.

https://illuminaija.com/entertainment-news/how-on-earth-do-people-eat-this-see-the-stink-bugs-eaten-by-some-parts-of-africa/

#### Social media







The Wellcome Genome Campus @CSCevents and @H3ABioNet Next Generation Sequencing Bioinformatics 2021 course call for applications is now open. @icipe is hosting one of the Virtual classrooms. Please apply at shorturl.at/ehpEQ



In collaboration with H3ABionet, we are pleased to announce that applications are open for the 2021 Next Generation Sequencing Bioinformatics Africa blended format course.

Next generation sequencing (NGS) has become an essential tool in genetic and genomic analysis. It is increasingly important for experimental scientists to gain the bioinformatics skills required to analyse the large volumes of data produced by next generation sequencers.

This course will equip participants with the essential informatics skills required to begin analysing NGS data and apply some of the most commonly used tools and resources for sequence data analysis. For more information on the course, including prerequisite module content and learning outcomes please click here.

Places on this course are limited, so make sure to apply before the deadline closes. All applications must be received by 22 February 2021.

This course will be FREE to attend for all eligible applicants.

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"I use #science to help #farmers and agro-processors meet phytosanitary standards for #pest free #mango exports to the #European market."- Dr Samira Mohamed.

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Photo of the month: February 2021

International Day of Women and Girls in Science is celebrated annually on 11 February. The

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It's Buzzing day, and this week, it's an Africa special! You'll find a round-up of exciting insect companies & projects on the continent; a Q&A with Dr Chrysantus Tanga of @icipe; a recipe for mango cricket smoothies with @InstarFarming cricket powder.



#### Buzzing

A newsletter chronicling the growing use of insects as food and feed.

@buzzing.substack.com

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Push-pull, a low-input mixed farming system which uses companion planting for pest control, improves nutrition and livelihoods, empowers farmers. Developed in Africa by @icipe and @Rothamsted, has lessons for the UK too. #agroecology



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If you are a pig farmer you may want to google about the "Black Soldier Fly". The larva stage is rich in protein and is being used as a substitute to fish in animal feed production... if you need more info, go to ICIPE, you will thank me later Cc @CalebKaruga

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Cientistas do Centro Internacional de Fisiologia e Ecologia de Insetos (ICIPE) em Nairóbi desenvolveram medidas de controle de gafanhotos, como um feromônio que limita a transformação de insetos em enxames que devastam as plantações. @Mapa\_Brasil

Dr. Gonzo @DocteurGonzo4 ⋅ Feb 12

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