

## Funding News – February 2010

### Global Food Security PhD scholarships

- What:** Food Security Center starts its PhD program "Global Food Security" and offers up to 12 full scholarships for PhD students for a period of 36 months, beginning August 01, 2010. The successful candidates will receive scholarships for participating in FSC's PhD program "Global Food Security" to conduct their doctorates.
- Who:** The Center wishes to attract outstanding PhD students pursuing a career in academia or development collaboration. The scholarship aims at increasing their previously gained scientific knowledge and skills relevant to food security related issues..
- When:** closing date for applications: 05 April 2010
- Where:** <http://www.foodsecurity.de>

### IFAR 2010 Fellowship Program Call

- What:** IFAR is a results-oriented foundation that supports partnerships, collaboration, and awards as a means of fostering scientific excellence in agriculture and related fields. IFAR's mission is to: recognize and promote scientific excellence involving the work of international agricultural research centers supported by the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) and their partners; promote science through professional development; and give priority to Africa and South Asia. In support of its mission, IFAR annually provides small grants to professionals from national agricultural research systems in developing countries (NARS). Nominations for these awards must be sponsored by one or more CGIAR Center/s (see <http://www.cgiar.org/> for a full list of Centers), and the work programs proposed by applicants must be closely linked with the program of a CGIAR Center. Applicants are encouraged to collaborate with Center scientists when preparing their project proposals for submission to IFAR.
- Who:** All applicants are expected to hold a graduate degree. Grants are not intended to finance regular undergraduate or graduate academic programs, in whole or in part.
- When:** Closing date: 10 March 2010
- Where:** [http://www.ifar4dev.org/pdf/2010%20SmallGrantsProg\\_application.pdf](http://www.ifar4dev.org/pdf/2010%20SmallGrantsProg_application.pdf)

### Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program

- What:** The Ford Foundation International Fellowship Program (IFP) is pleased to announce the ninth round of fellowships in Kenya for the Academic Year 2011/2012. During this round, the program will offer fifty-one (51) Masters Fellowships in East Africa tenable in any part of the world, including Africa. Each fellowship covers tuition fees, health insurance, subsistence allowance, travel and other related expenses. IFP will provide

support of up to three (3) years of formal post-graduate study. Upon completion of their studies, the fellows are expected to enhance their leadership skills in fields that further the Ford Foundation's goals of strengthening democratic values, reducing poverty and injustice, promoting international cooperation and advancing human achievement.

**Who:** Applicants must be a resident citizen or official resident of Kenya, hold an Honors Bachelor's degree, pursue a post-graduate degree that will directly enhance his/her leadership capacity and professional knowledge in a practical, policy, academic or artistic discipline. For more details of eligibility criteria, see the IFP Web site.

Note: Priority will be given to people living and working outside the major cities. Women and persons with disabilities are also encouraged to apply. Applicants do not need to have university admission to be eligible for this fellowship competition.

**When:** Completed forms (in hard copy) and all supporting documentation should be received at the IFP Kenya office not later than 2.00pm Friday 12th March, 2010.

**Where:** Application forms may be downloaded from [www.ifpeastafrica.org](http://www.ifpeastafrica.org) or collected from the respective country offices (details on Web site).

### **CANADA-HOPE Scholarship Program- Fellowship Awards (2010-2011)**

**What:** The CANADA-HOPE Scholarship Program is dedicated to improving the health of people in developing countries by further strengthening international collaborative efforts between researchers. The program will enable promising scientists and clinicians from South Asia and sub-Saharan Africa to be mentored by prominent Canadian researchers. Value and term: The maximum amount awarded for a single grant is \$174,000 for four years. Funding start date: July 1st, 2010.

**Who:** The scholar must have a mentor in a related field at an eligible Canadian institution and the sponsorship of an eligible institution in sub-continental South Asia (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh Sri Lanka, Nepal and Bhutan) or in sub-Saharan Africa. The scholarships are intended for men and women of high intellectual promise who may be expected to make a significant contribution to their own countries following their return from study in Canada. More details about eligibility criteria at <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/22630.html#F10>

**When:** Closing date: 31 March 2010 (next round open December 2010)

**Where:** [Research net Web site](#)

### **Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP) Regular Program**

**What:** In 1987, the World Bank, with funding from the Government of Japan, established the World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (WBGSP) for graduate studies in subjects related to economic development. Each year, the Program awards scholarships to

individuals from World Bank member countries to undertake graduate studies at renowned universities throughout member countries of the Bank. The JJ/WBGSP scholarship provides annual awards to cover the cost of completing a master's degree or its equivalent. The awards are given for one year and, provided that the academic program is longer than one year, may be renewed for a second consecutive year or a portion thereof, subject to satisfactory academic performance in the first year and the availability of funds. There is an absolute two year maximum limit on JJ/WBGSP awards. More details of benefits available at: [JJ/WBGSP Benefits page](#).

**Who:** To apply for a JJ/WBGSP scholarship under the Regular Program, an applicant must: be a national of a World Bank member country eligible to borrow; be born after March 31, 1970; have, by March 31, 2010, at least 2, preferably 4 to 5, years of recent full time professional experience acquired after a university degree, in the applicant's home country or in another developing country; hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent. More details of eligibility criteria available at: [JJ/WBGSP Eligibility page](#).

**When:** closing date: 31 March 2010

**Where:** [JJ/WBSGP Applications page](#)

### Research Fellow Partnership Programme for Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources (RFPP)

**What:** RFPP aims at generating development relevant knowledge, training young scientists and establishing research partnerships in the fields of agriculture, forestry and natural resource management in international development. These objectives shall be achieved by supporting doctoral and post-doctoral fellowships as well as by promoting internships. RFPP projects shall be embedded in research partnerships between a CGIAR center (or equivalent) and a Swiss research institution.

**Who:** Swiss residents under the age of 36, or citizens from developing countries or countries in transition up to the age of 40.

**When:** Calls are launched twice a year with deadlines on 31st of March and 30th of September respectively. For more information regarding the current call, please contact the RFPP coordinator at [igomez@ethz.ch](mailto:igomez@ethz.ch).

**Where:** <http://www.rfpp.ethz.ch/>

### TWAS Prizes 2010

**What:** The TWAS Prizes are awarded to individual scientists in developing countries in recognition of outstanding contributions to knowledge in eight fields of science: biology, chemistry, mathematics, physics, agricultural sciences, earth sciences, engineering sciences and medical sciences. Each prize consists of US\$15,000 and is accompanied by a plaque inscribed with the recipient's major contributions. Prizes are usually presented on a special occasion, often coinciding with the General Meeting of TWAS.

**Who:** Candidates for a TWAS Prize must be scientists who have been working and living in a developing country for at least ten years. They must meet at least one of the following qualifications:

- Scientific research achievement of outstanding significance for the development of scientific thought.
- Outstanding contribution to the application of Science and Technology to industry or to human well-being in a developing country.

**When:** Closing date: 31 March 2010

**Where:** <http://twas.ictp.it/prog/prizes/twas-prizes>

### Women's World Summit Foundation Prize for women's creativity in rural life

**What:** Awarded since 1994 by WWSF Women's World Summit Foundation - an international, non-profit, humanitarian NGO, serving the implementation of women's and children's rights and the UN development agenda - the Prize (\$ 1000 per laureate and \$ 3000 for specific African women's organizations), honors women and women's groups around the world exhibiting exceptional creativity, courage and commitment for the improvement of the quality of life in rural communities (354 prizes awarded so far). The Prize aims to draw international attention to laureates' contributions to sustainable development, household food security and peace, thus generating recognition and support for their projects. While rural women are vital in providing examples of sound practice in their communities, they still do not have full access to tools needed for development, such as education, credit, land rights and participation in decision making. By highlighting and awarding creative development models, innovations and experiences enhancing the quality of rural life, WWSF participates in addressing the eradication of rural poverty, gender mainstreaming and women's empowerment.

**Who:** Women showing:

- Exceptional courage and perseverance in improving rural life
- Creativity in the approach
- Preservation of and respect for the environment
- Continuing impact on the community

**When:** Closing date: 31 March 2010 by post

**Where:** <http://www.woman.ch/june09/women/1-introduction.php>

### The Yara Prize

**What:** The mission of the Yara Prize is to contribute to the transformation of African agriculture and food availability within a sustainable context, thereby helping to reduce hunger and poverty. The Yara Prize has a focus on food: the improvement of food production and availability and the development of local markets in Africa, as a contribution to reducing hunger and poverty. The prize recognizes such efforts and results in any field of work clearly related to combating hunger, improving health and reducing poverty in Africa, within every aspect of agriculture and food production

supporting the development of both the input and the output market. The prize was launched in 2005 and consists of a USD 100,000 grant, a glass trophy and a diploma.

**Who:** Any qualified candidate or candidates recognized for their contributions to reducing hunger and poverty in Africa.

**When:** Closing date: 01 April 2010

**Where:** [www.yara.com](http://www.yara.com)

### **Fondation de France and Comité français pour la solidarité internationale (CFSI)**

**What:** Call for proposals on promoting family farming in West Africa by improving and diversifying production, managing natural resources, and strengthening farmers' organizations. The call is open to farming organizations in West Africa, and to NGOs and networks in West Africa and France which promote family farming in West Africa.

**Who:**

- Farming organizations in Western Africa;
- NGOs providing support in Western Africa or in France;
- organizational or individual networks (in Western Africa and France) working on a shared project or approach to promote family farming in Western Africa.

**When:** Closing date: 07 April 2010

**Where:** <http://www.cfsi.asso.fr/netkali/CFSI.aspx?IdItem=135&IdDoc=263>

### **Crawford Fund Fellowship for 2010**

**What:** The Crawford Fund Fellowship provides further training for an agricultural scientist whose work has shown potential. This prestigious award provides an opportunity for the successful candidate to spend a period of focused study and training in Australia, with resulting benefits to the awardee, their country's agriculture and to Australia.

**Who:** Candidates should be below the age of 35 and from a selected group of developing countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma, Cambodia, East Timor, Fiji, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Is, Tonga, Tuvalu and Kiribati, Vanuatu or Vietnam).

**When:** The closing date for nominations is 12 April 2010

**Where:** [www.crawfordfund.org](http://www.crawfordfund.org)

### **Rothamsted International Fellowship Scheme - sustainable agriculture in developing and emerging countries**

**What:** Rothamsted International (RI) is a UK non-profit organization working for sustainable agriculture in developing and emerging countries. The Rothamsted International Fellowship Scheme (RIFS) aims to share scientific excellence in agricultural and environmental research by contributing to the development and dissemination of

technologies relevant to sustainable agricultural growth across the developing world. Through the Rothamsted International Fellowship Scheme, scientists undertake projects for 6 to 12 months at Rothamsted Research in the UK. RI Fellowships are directed towards mid-career researchers in agricultural sciences from developing and emerging countries.

**Who:** Applications are invited from mid-career scientists who are citizens of developing or emerging countries, or whose work has been based exclusively within such a country. Most applicants have doctoral status. The applications will be assessed on the basis of their scientific merit, and the potential for long-term research collaboration.

**When:** Closing date: 8 May 2010

**Where:** [http://www.rothamsted-international.org/RIFS\\_applying\\_deadlines.shtml](http://www.rothamsted-international.org/RIFS_applying_deadlines.shtml)

### South-South Annual research grants

**What:** The Collaborative Tri-continental Program was launched in 2005 by the Latin American Council of Social Sciences (CLACSO), the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) and the Asian Political and International Studies Association (APISA) with the purpose of enhancing the production of knowledge suitable for fostering high quality social science research to build a Southern perspective on critical issues, with the aim of feeding these into global debates. The South-South annual research grants aim to promote collaboration among researchers from the South and to stimulate analytical empirical studies on topics of relevance for their countries. Special attention will be given to projects involving the elaboration of alternative methodologies, the generation of new empirical data and the critical questioning of dominant theoretical paradigms. Altogether 9 (nine) proposals will be selected with a maximum grant of USD 10,000 per project. The resources allocated would be freely utilized in activities related with the research: information collection, data processing, books purchase and related expenses. Resources cannot be used for project designing or for direct or indirect costs of the supporting institutions.

**Who:** Experienced researchers, MA or PhD graduates. Candidates are required to be supported by organizer institutions or their member centers. The call for applications is open to candidates of all disciplines of the Social and Human Sciences with projects linked to the main theme “Hegemony, Counter-hegemony and Alternative Hegemony”, in the current context of global crisis. Priority will be given to experienced researchers based in Southern institutions with a strong track record in cross-disciplinary research.

**When:** Application closing date: 30 May 2010

**Where:** <http://www.codesria.org/spip.php?article509&lang=en>

### CODESRIA Small grants programme for thesis writing

**What:** The Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) is pleased to announce the twenty second competition under its Small Grants Programme for Thesis Writing. The grants are designed to contribute to the development of the

social sciences in Africa, and the continuous renewal and strengthening of research capacities in African universities through the funding of primary research conducted by post-graduate students and professionals. In this connection, candidates whose applications are successful are encouraged to use the resources available under the grants to cover the cost of their fieldwork, the acquisition of books and documents, the processing of data which they have collected and the printing of their thesis/dissertation. As the Council has a strong interest in encouraging African researchers to engage one another on a sustained basis, recipients of the small grants will also be supported to order books and journals produced by African scholarly publishers, including CODESRIA itself. They will also be encouraged to apply to attend CODESRIA research methodology workshops.

**Who:** The Programme is open to graduate students and professionals currently registered in African universities preparing their theses and dissertations in all social science fields and in other disciplines involving social or economic analysis. Preference is given to those registered for Doctoral Studies (PhD or equivalent). with fewer grants dedicated for Masters and MPhil theses.

**When:** Closing date: 18 June 2010

**Where:** <http://www.codesria.org/spip.php?article209&lang=en>

### MS/PhD scholarships at SEARCA

**What:** Launched in November 2005, the SEARCA PhD Research Scholarship provides financial support to a limited number of qualified PhD students whose research is relevant to the priority thrusts of SEARCA. This scholarship program aims to: provide PhD students the opportunity to use the resources and facilities available at SEARCA and its network of universities for their research; produce quality research papers for publication; and enable them to work with SEARCA's R&D personnel on mutually identified areas of concerns/interests in agriculture and rural development.

**Who:** Any graduate student who is a citizen of any SEAMEO member country and pursuing a PhD in agriculture or related sciences from any university in the world is eligible to apply for the scholarship. The applicant must have already completed his/her course work with an approved dissertation proposal and is ready to conduct the dissertation research.

**When:** Closing date: 01 September 2010

**Where:** <http://cambodiajobs.blogspot.com/2008/03/msphd-scholarships-at-searca.html>

### IFS Research Grants

**What:** The IFS Granting Programme is open for project proposals from developing country scientists who meet the eligibility criteria and conduct research on the sustainable management of biological resources. An IFS Research Grant has a maximum value of USD 12,000. It is awarded to an individual researcher, for a specific research project, presented by the applicant in the application form. The IFS Research Grant is intended

for the purchase of the basic tools needed to conduct the proposed research project - equipment, expendable supplies, and literature - and to arrange fieldwork activities related to the proposed project. It is expected that the IFS Grantees already receive a salary and are employed by or otherwise attached to a developing country research institution. The timeframe of a research project should normally be 1-3 years.

**Who:** An eligible candidate for an IFS Research grant is:  
-a citizen of a developing country  
-a scientist with at least a Master's or equivalent degree/research experience  
-under 40 years of age and at the beginning of research career (45 years in sub-Saharan Africa)  
-attached to a university, national research institution or a research-oriented NGO in a developing country.

**When:** Closing date: 30 December 2010

**Where:** [http://www.ifs.se/Forms/how\\_to\\_apply.asp](http://www.ifs.se/Forms/how_to_apply.asp)

### Resources

G&D guidelines on **how to write a winning proposal at:**

<http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/Newsletter/Tipsforgoodproposal.doc>

G&D tips for **Publishing and Presentations at:**

[http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/Cast\\_the\\_net/PUBLISHINGTIPS.pdf](http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/Cast_the_net/PUBLISHINGTIPS.pdf)

**Tips on preparing winning science posters and presentations at:**

<http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/resource/conference.asp>

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