



CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIPS YEAR ONE

Intra-Africa Academic mobility Project: - Collaborative training in fisheries and aquaculture in East, Central and Southern Africa (COTRA)

What is the programme about?

The EU under its Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme, has provided funding to support training of graduate students in African universities. In this mobility programme five African partner institutions and one EU Technical partner will collaborate in the training of professionals to achieve sustainable fisheries management and aquaculture resources that shall lead to increased fish production and enhanced food and nutritional security, and hence, improved livelihood and household revenue. 24 Masters (6 credit seeking, 18 degree-seeking) and 12 Doctorates (4 credit seeking, 8 degree-seeking) will be trained in the thematic areas of Fisheries Management, Aquaculture, Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, Ichthyology, Zoology and Biology-: Hydrobiology. In addition, 10 administrative staff will participate in a capacity building program mainly in areas of **financial and international student management** among others. Mobility partners will either act as sending and/or hosting institutions. The project will provide fellowships for full degree programs (PhDs and MSc) as well as short term mobility for students and staff and will run from 1st November 2017 until 31st October 2022.

The project is expected to contribute to a) improved skills and competences of academic staff in research, training and supervision, b) enhanced quality of graduate training that will lead to innovative and fit-for-purpose professionals in fisheries and aquaculture, c) improved skills and competences of administrative staff in implementing international mobility. Subsequently, a procedure/platform to support the harmonisation and internationalisation of fisheries and aquaculture programmes among African Universities shall be achieved.

The Call for applications is open from **05th March 2018** and will close on **28th April 2018**. All interested candidates should download the application form, fill it and submit either through email or postal services. In order to facilitate and fasten the mobility process, each applicant is advised to apply to the hosting university for admission. The admission criteria for each university can be found from their respective websites given in the table below. The applications for scholarship should be submitted to the project coordinating office (cotraintrafricascholarships@gmail.com, praburu2002@yahoo.com) with a copy to the coordinator at the sending institution. Information on the host

institutions, admission criteria and application forms are available on the programme website (<http://www.cotraintrafrica.org>).

The scholarships are open to candidates from Target Group 1 (Applicants currently registered at or have done their degrees at one of the partner institutions: University of Eldoret (Kenya), Makerere University (Uganda), Rhodes University (Republic of South Africa), Mzuzu University (Malawi), and the Official University of Bukavu (DR Congo), and Target Group 2 (applicants currently registered at or have done their degrees at University of Abomey-Calavi (Benin) and Bahir Dar University (Ethiopia) or applicants who are currently registered at or have done their degrees from any other institutions in East, Central and Southern Africa. Please note that applicants are only allowed to apply to study in an institution outside of their home countries. **Any applicant who has previously benefitted from an EU funded mobility program and those who obtained their previous entry degrees from Europe does not qualify.** Females and candidates with disabilities are particularly encouraged to apply.

Specific Programmes on offer from Partner Universities

Host institution	Programme	Number of fellowships	Language of instruction	Website	Contact person
University of Eldoret	PhD in Fisheries (Fisheries Management)	1	English	www.uoeld.ac.ke	Prof. Phillip Raburu praburu2002@yahoo.com
	PhD. in Fisheries (Aquaculture)	2	English		
	MSc in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (Fisheries Management)	1	English		
	MSc in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (Aquaculture)	3	English		Prof. Phillip Raburu praburu2002@yahoo.com
	MSc in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (Aquatic Science)	2	English		
Rhodes University	PhD Fisheries Science	2	English	www.ru.ac.za	Dr. Cliff Jones c.jones@ru.ac.za
	MSc Fisheries Science	2	English		

	MSc Ichthyology	2	English		
Makerere Universit y	PhD in Zoology	1	English	www.mak.ac.ug	Dr. Akoll Peter pakoll@cns.mak.ac.ug
	MSc. in Zoology (Fisheries and Aquaculture)	8	English		
Official Universit y of Bukavu	Masters in Biology (Option: Hydrobiology)	0	English	www.ucbukavu.ac.cd	Dr Mbalassa Mulongaibalu mbalassamulongaibalu3@gmail.com
Mzuzu Universit y	Master of Science in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences	6	English	www.mzuni.ac.mw	Associate Professor Wales Singini walassingini@gmail.com

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