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## CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIPS YEAR TWO

## 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. For degree seeking mobility, the period of mobility will be for the duration of the programme while credit seeking mobility will be for a maximum period of 10 months.

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 harmonization and internationalization of fisheries and aquaculture programmes among African Universities shall be achieved.

# The Call for applications is from 4<sup>th.</sup> September 2019 to 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 (Midnight East African time).

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. The applications for scholarship should be submitted to the **COUNTRY coordinator** (found here: http://www.cotraintrafrica.org/contacts) with a copy to applications@cotraintrafrica.org. Scholarship application form available on the programme is 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 who currently registered at or have done their degrees from **any other institutions within Africa** including institution from Kenya, Uganda, Republic of South Africa, Malawi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Benin, Ethiopia, etc. 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.

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. Julius Manyala <u>manyalajo@yaho</u> <u>o.com</u>
	PhD. in Fisheries (Aquaculture) MSc in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (Fisheries Management	2	English		
	MSc in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (Aquaculture)				
	MSc in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences (Aquatic Science)				
Rhodes University	PhD Fisheries Science	1	English	www.ru.ac.za	Dr. Cliff Jones <u>c.jones@ru.ac.za</u>
	MSc Fisheries Science	- 3 English	English		
	MSc Ichthyology		Lingiisii		
Makerere University	PhD in Zoology	2	English	www.mak.ac.ug	Dr. Peter Akoll <u>pakoll@cns.mak.a</u> <u>c.ug</u>
	MSc. in Zoology (Fisheries and Aquaculture	2	English		
Official University of Bukavu	Masters in Biology (Option: Hydrobiology)	3	English	<u>www.ucbukavu.a</u> <u>c.cd</u>	Prof. Mbalassa Mulongaibalu <u>mbalassamulongai</u> <u>balu3@gmail.com</u>
Mzuzu University	Doctor of Philosophy (Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences)	1	English	www.mzuni.ac.m w	Prof Fanuel Kapute <u>fkapute@gmail.co</u> <u>m</u>
	Master of Science in Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences	3	English		

Specific Programmes on offer from Partner Universities













What does the scholarship cater for?

**Stipend:** The scholarship includes a subsistence allowance of  $900 \in$  per month for PhD candidates and  $600 \in$  for MSc candidates. Each scholarship recipient will also receive a one-month subsistence allowance for settling in. For the female candidate additional one-month subsistence allowance will be provided for each extra academic year for mobility of two or more years.

**Insurance:** Insurance coverage (accident, travel, health) will be provided for the duration of the grant within the limits of the grant provisions.

**Travel costs:** The candidate will be provided with a return ticket between his/her home Airport and the airport at the hosting institutions.

**Participation fees and Research:** The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme scholarship scheme "Collaborative Training in Fisheries and Aquaculture in East, Central and Southern Africa" (COTRA) under participation and research costs will cover the costs of tuition fees and research and other costs related to registration at the institution.

#### NB: Participation cost is not payable for credit seeking mobility

For more information on the Intra-Africa mobility programme contact Prof. Julius Mayala: Email: <u>manyalajo@yahoo.com</u> Website: (<u>http://www.cotraintrafrica.org/</u>)

