

## Call for proposals

Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and International Development Research Centre (IDRC)

The Canadian International Food Security Research Fund

Call for Concept Notes: Open Call 2010

More information on [www.idrc.ca/cifsrf](http://www.idrc.ca/cifsrf)

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is now accepting letters of inquiry for a new grant program to develop point-of-care diagnostics for the developing world.

\$30 million in new grants will be available through Grand Challenges Diagnostics, a part of the Grand Challenges in Global Health initiative. The program will develop components and technologies that allow assessment of multiple conditions and pathogens at the point-of-care in a variety of settings.

We are looking to fund the development and optimization of novel, accurate, feasible technologies that are low cost, easy to use, functional at high temperatures and humidity, and do not require refrigeration, reagents, water or lab equipment.

Details and application instructions are available at <http://www.grandchallenges.org/diagnostics/Pages/Introduction.aspx>. Letters of inquiry are being accepted online until February 16, 2010.

After a review of submitted letters of inquiry, the foundation will invite full grant proposals from selected applicants.

Ruforum Community action research programme

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Call ID: RU/CGS/CARP/15/02/2010

For selection in March 2010

## BACKGROUND

This is to announce the RUFORUM Community Action Research Programme (CARP) First Call for Concept Notes. The purpose of the Programme is to demonstrate innovative approaches towards strengthened University engagement with development practice in Eastern and Southern Africa. Initially, priority will be given to projects that focus on scaling-up and out research outputs from the most successful RUFORUM CGS projects. Projects to be funded will be action research closely linking participating university researchers with all stakeholders along the value chain, including national and international research and development agencies, where appropriate. Please consult attached guidelines for writing CARP proposals. Concepts that do not follow guidelines closely may be disqualified.

For more information on RUFORUM, please visit [www.ruforum.org](http://www.ruforum.org)

## TIME FRAME for Call ID RU/CGS/CARP/15/02/2010

1. Deadline for Concept Note submission to RUFORUM Secretariat by 15 February 2010.
2. Compliance Review by RUFORUM Secretariat 1 March 2010.
3. Technical Committee to select potential proposals with comments to Secretariat and Secretariat to return to PIs by 15 March 2010.
4. Full Proposals to be developed by PIs by latest 10 April
5. Full Proposal Writing Workshop to be held before 30 April 2010.
6. Secretariat to compile proposals for final selection and approval by Technical Committee by 15 May 2010.
7. Results from the selection will be communicated to PIs by end of May, 2010 at the latest.
8. Projects to commence implementation by end of June, 2010

CONCEPT NOTE DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 15, 2010

## Royal Geographical Society - Grants

The Society has 18 named grant programs across four categories (research, students, teaching, and expeditions). Most grants are for individuals, and some are for UK residents only. Research grants focus on agricultural and pastoral systems, soil and water management, climate change, ecological surveys, and others. Grants range from £500 to £15 thousand. The Society posts a calendar of application deadlines.

For additional information, please visit our website on: <http://www.rgs.org/OurWork/Grants/Grants.htm>.

Application Deadline: Multiple

## Conservation, Food, and Health Foundation - Grants

Grants are offered to NGOs in resource conservation and sustainable agriculture (in addition to health). Grants support research and solve specific problems in order to build capacity in developing countries. There are no geographical restrictions. The average grant size is US\$11,000, and grants are rarely over US\$25,000.

For more information, please visit our website on: [http://cfhfoundation.grantsmanagement08.com/?page\\_id=6](http://cfhfoundation.grantsmanagement08.com/?page_id=6)

Application Deadline: 01 March and 01 September.

## Borlaug LEAP (Leadership Enhancement in Agriculture Program) – Grants for Thesis Research at centers of the CGIAR

The LEAP is open to graduate students from developing countries who show strong promise as leaders in the field of agriculture and related disciplines. Awards of up to US\$20,000 are made on a competitive basis to graduate students who show strong scientific and leadership potential, and who have a research proposal coordinated between their home university, a U.S. university, and a mentor in the CGIAR. Reviews of applications are conducted twice a year.

For more information, please visit our website on: <http://leap.ucdavis.edu/>

Application Deadline: Open

Third World Academy of Sciences (Academy of sciences for the developing world)

TWAS's International Programme for Higher Education and Research (IPHER) provides some 250 fellowships tenable in developing countries such as Brazil, China and India for scientists from developing countries. Fellowships, which run for various lengths of time, are available for postgraduate, postdoctoral and advanced research. Brief details of each programme are provided below. For additional information, including eligibility criteria and application forms, please visit: <http://www.ictp.trieste.it/~twas/hg/Fellowships.html>.

Application Deadline: October every year

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission

We are delighted to announce that the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission has awarded up to 15 full fee distance learning scholarships to the MSc in International Animal Health programme for 2008.

These scholarships are available for students from developing Commonwealth nations in sub-Saharan Africa; the eligible countries are: Botswana, Cameroon, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia.

Full details can be found at our web site (<http://www.internationalanimalhealth.ed.ac.uk/application.htm> ). If you have any queries or would like further details about this programme of study, please do not hesitate to contact us at [IAH.onlineMSc@ed.ac.uk](mailto:IAH.onlineMSc@ed.ac.uk).

Application Deadline: Open

## The Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS)

Grants for Scientific Meetings Held in Developing Countries. 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. 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.

For additional information, please visit our website on: [http://users.ictp.it/~twas/mtm/SM\\_Form.html](http://users.ictp.it/~twas/mtm/SM_Form.html).

Application Deadline: 01 June and 01 December