



Agrinatura Newsletter 15/07/2024



Dear Agrinatura members, partners, and colleagues:

I hope you are enjoying the summer season! Please note that our newsletter will take a brief pause and will be published again in August. In the meantime, we encourage you to take some time off and enjoy the summer.

Thank you for your understanding, and we look forward to reconnecting with you next month.

Warm regards,

Dr Mabel Hernandez-Altamirano

Agrinatura Announcement

SASI-SPI is establishing its Advisory Committee (AC) to provide advice and recommendations on the initiative's orientations, results, and strategic issues. The AC will include representatives from AGRINATURA, FAO, EC, and external members. INTPA will approve the AC's composition and names at the project's start. The AC will meet twice yearly, primarily online, with one or two face-to-face meetings. Meetings will be chaired by INTPA and facilitated by SASI-SPI's Management Unit.

DG INTPA suggests the AC consists of two groups:

1. Representatives of participating organisations (AN, FAO, F3).
2. External non-participants, primarily experts from Agrinatura and FAO.

We request suggestions for 3-4 experts from your scientific staff relevant to SASI-SPI themes, including their CVs or a webpage. Please send the names and short descriptions of their expertise to Ioannis Dimitriou (Jannis.Dimitriou@slu.se) and Anita Rahova (anita.rahova@agrinatora-eu.eu) by **July 29**.

Calls

VCA4D launches a new call for experts for a value chain analysis on fisheries in Guinea Bissau.

Each expert will have 45 working days (50 for the team leader). The period for the study is September 2024 - March 2025.

Please send the CVs of candidates to vca4d@agrinatora-eu.eu, by **Friday 26 th July 2024**, CoB, at the latest.

More details [HERE](#)

Research Proposals on "Agroecological Innovations for Territorial Markets" Funded by the German Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL).

Short proposals can be submitted until 30 September 2024.

Funding is available only for consortia consisting of at least one German research institution and at least one research institution from Sub-Saharan Africa and/or South and/or Southeast Asia.

More information [HERE](#)

AGRI-Business Innovation Challenge

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), in partnership with the Nigeria Climate Innovation Center (NCIC), has launched the Agribusiness Innovation Challenge. This initiative seeks agritech startups with solutions to enhance Nigeria's food supply chain and address food safety and climate change challenges. The challenge, part of GAIN's Strengthening Nutrition in Priority Staples project, also offers technical assistance and training to women and youth-led startups to boost their capacity, access financial services, and innovate their business concepts. Applications are now open to eligible agri-tech startups in Nigeria.

For more information click [HERE](#)

Call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) - Analyse the Current Narrative On Food Security And Food Systems In Africa

The Alliance for Food Sovereignty in Africa (AFSA), supported by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA), invites qualified individuals or firms to submit Expressions of Interest (EOI) for a study on the current narrative of food security and systems in Africa. Part of the "Transforming the African Food System to Sustainability (TAFS) - My Food is African Project," this study aims to inspire African citizens to demand and consume healthy, culturally appropriate food supported by favorable policies by 2026. Candidates should have a strong understanding of African food systems, advanced degrees in relevant fields, and proven research experience.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest (1-2 pages), a short technical proposal (2-4 pages), and a general profile with evidence of previous work and CV(s) to afsa@afsafrica.org by 5:00 pm (East Africa

Time) on ***Sunday, July 28, 2024***. The email should indicate ***AFSA_Food Narrative Study*** in the subject line.

More details [HERE](#)

International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

Call for Proposals: 'Agri Connect' Project

Objective: Facilitate private sector investment and improve access to services for smallholder farmers via a Digital Farmer Registry.

Who Can Apply: Consulting organizations, private sector entities, alliances of partner service providers, specialized NGOs, and inter-governmental organizations (including UN agencies).

Deadline: August 10, 2024.

More details [HERE](#)

[Vacancies/fellowships/advertisements](#)



iCRA

Internship: Communication and Social Media Specialist

Then send your CV and a short cover letter outlining your relevant background and/or experience to communication@icra.global. If you have further questions contact Lonieke de Ruiten (lonieke.deruiten@icra.global) or call +31 (0)317 422 938

[More information click here](#)



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Center for
Development Research
University of Bonn

DAAD-EPOS scholarships

You can visit the new BIGS-DR [website](#) including the application portal and an informative Q&A section.

The **deadline for applications is the 31st of August 2024.**

[More information click here](#)



The call to apply for the **2024 Cohort of 'Accelerating African Women's Leadership in Climate Action' Fellowship** is now open. Application for the Fellowship is via an online registration form accessible from the [website](#).

[More information click here](#)



Two Calls for Experts to develop agricultural innovation courses for African universities.

The application deadline for both positions is **August 18th, 2024**

Position 1: Expert in E-learning Platforms for the Agricultural Sector (NKE2.8)

Position 2: Expert in Certification Mechanisms for Professional

Training in Agricultural Innovation
(NKE2.9)

[ToRs and more details HERE](#)

Webinars

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Webinars and events in June, more information [HERE](#)

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Courses - Wikifarmer Expert

[Details HERE](#)

Secretary General of Agrinatura Association



AGRINATURA is a grouping of European universities and research organizations with a common interest in sustainably supporting agricultural development to improve people's lives. AGRINATURA focuses on initiatives that open up new opportunities for farmers to enhance food security and improve the agro-food sector in general, while reducing the negative impact of agricultural activities on the environment. AGRINATURA members are involved in various issues related to agricultural research and education for development contributing through their expertise and experience. www.agrinatura.eu