



YPARD Newsletter

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Keep updated on YPARD on-line and off-line activities worldwide, funding and job opportunities, updates on partner news and the latest news in ARD for young professionals!

February marks a new step with the launching of the **new YPARD website**, and asserts YPARD's presence online. Meanwhile discussions among young professionals in different locations globally, are strengthening YPARD networks and raising several issues, news from Romania, Colombia, Nigeria and Zambia are examples of what's going on! This newsletter is just a small overview of what YPARD is working on and a small selection of information; visit the **website** regularly for more! Enjoy!



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YPARD News

Africa

YPARD Africa member sponsorship opportunity by UNAAB to attend 16th tropical root crops symposium, 23-28 sept., Abeokuta, Nigeria. Deadline for application: 19 March 2012. Get sponsored and participate to the YPARD Africa meeting.

YPARD Zambia is strengthening its network!

YPARD Zambia updates us on the means to facilitate communication and networking among local stakeholders working on issues related to the youth in ARD in Zambia

More on YPARD Africa section

Europe

International ARD, local development and the youth, in Romania

YPARD reports its discussion with young Romanian on their aspirations and ideas about agriculture as a career path.

More on YPARD Europe section

LAC

Building up the Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) Region

The YPARD Coordinator travelled to meet with the YPARD LAC coordinator at CIAT in Cali, Colombia. The pair discussed strategies to build up the region, get more young people interested and activities that could propel the region ahead in 2012.

More on YPARD LAC section

YPARD On-line Community News

YPARD new website is online!

Read: **YPARD is glad to launch its new website!**

Explore: <http://www.ypard.net>

Key features:

Interfaces in English, French and Spanish

5 regional sections : Global, Africa, Asia, Europe, LAC (Latin and American and Caribbean)

Calendars to manage deadlines for opportunities and events

Advanced **search engines for members' profiles**

Publish your own news, blog posts and resources!

Tell us your story as a Young Professional in ARD!

Spread the word! "ypard.net"

Opportunities

YPARD selection of the Month

Funding

African Climate Change Fellowship Program
open until 12 Mar 2012

Rice Research: France, Italy, and Mediterranean/Global South
open until 12 Mar 2012

Borlaug Fellowship Program: Female Applicants 2012
open until 06 Apr 2012

More

Jobs/Internships

You are an organization or company proposing vacancies for young professionals in ARD? Send us your announcement at info@ypard.net!

More offers to come!

'Featured News' for YPs in ARD

YPARD selection of the Month

ICRA Courses on Rural Innovation [in French and English]

Underutilized Species - Where are we?

Cultural cringe: schoolchildren can't see the yoghurt for the trees

More

Young Professional of the Month!

Michael Osei, YPARD Ghana representative

"Michael Osei, a recognized and promising young scientist from Ghana" tells us about his bronze award he won at the 1st Ghana Science Congress Awards



ARD Events

YPARD selection of the month

Upcoming events

"Scientific Innovation in the Developing World" Conference for Young Scientists, 21 Apr 2012 - 22 Apr 2012 in Alexandria, Egypt

International Conference on Biotechnology and Food Science - ICBFS 2012, 07 Apr 2012 - 08 Apr 2012 in Bangkok

Call for Abstract - Workshop UNU Climate Change Mitigation with Local Communities, 26 Mar 2012 - 28 Mar 2012 in Cairns, Australia

Conference - Young People, Farming & Food: The Future of the Agrifood Sector in Africa. Call for Paper 19 Mar 2012 - 21 Mar 2012 in Accra, Ghana

More

Call for papers

Writeshop Climate Change and Disaster Reduction, open until 20 Mar 2012

Knight News Challenge: Your shot at a share of \$5 million, open until 17 Mar 2012

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