



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!

Summer time is always a bit more quite. However, YPARD community has shown presence on-line through our events. YPARD team has been working on different projects; September is at the door with several initiatives to be launched at strategic and on-ground levels. YPARD is also strengthened with continuous new venue of young enthusiast professionals. This newsletter is just a small overview of what YPARD is working on and a small selection of other information, visit the [website](#) regularly for more! Enjoy!



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YPARD News

Global

- Processing to the selection of a **new Steering Committee Member** to contribute actively to a growing YPARD and help to steer the strategic development of YPARD
- Welcoming an **Intern in Web4Knowledge** to share more information on-line, particularly more YP featured job offers and news
- Celebrating the **International Youth Day** by reaffirming YPARD mission and objectives, and some of the achievements of the International Year of the Youth. This is just a milestone; more to go!

More on YPARD Global Website

Africa

- Organizing a **mapping training in Kenya** in collaboration with ACTS
- Calling all YPs in Africa to join **RAILS national learning teams**

More on YPARD Africa portal

Latin America and Caribbean (LAC)

- Presenting YPARD-LAC in a public university in Colombia. Lessons learned for strengthening YPARD message(s) and challenging skeptical feedbacks: "The idea is good, but what do I gain, concretely, by becoming YPARD-LAC member?" (in Spanish)

More on YPARD LAC portal

Asia

- Organizing the **Capacity building Workshop on "Young scientists for agricultural development in Vietnam"** at Nong Lam University in Vietnam" on 16.09.2011, and a round Table Discussion on "Participation of youth in ARD Activities".

More on YPARD Asia portal

YPARD On-line Community News

Series of Blogs on
Agriculture, ICTs and Young
Professionals is over

Read: **Youth, ICTs and Agriculture – Wrapping up this special blog series**, by Courtney Paisley (YPARD) and Michael Riggs (e-Agriculture)

Carry on reading, writing and commenting on **YPARD** and **e-Agriculture** blog spaces!

Our first francophone
blogger!

We welcome our first blogger in French with: **Qu'est-ce qu'un «jeune» agriculteur?**

More francophone and French contributions will be facilitated by a new interface in French to be implemented in months coming! Keep posted!

Become a blogger yourself! **Get started!** Need some assistance? **Contact us!**

Opportunities

YPARD selection of the Month

Funding

Capacity Building for Young Researchers in Agriculture

Deadline: October 10

ETH Zurich: Research Fellows

Deadline: December 10

Research in Food Security and Bio-Energy: UK and São Paulo

Deadline: December 31

[More](#)

Jobs/Internships

Professor at Dep. of Crop Science, University of Namibia

Deadline: September 7!

Senior Lecturer at Dep. of Agriculture Economics and Extension, University of Namibia

Deadline: September 7!

[More offers to come!](#)

'Featured News' for YPs in ARD

YPARD selection of the Month

YoBloCo Awards: Write a blog on youth and agriculture and win up to 3,000 Euros!

Only 2.3% world's researchers in Africa

"The G120 recognized the primary role of youth in preparing the turnover of generations in agriculture."

Did you know that YPARD LAC coordination unit is hosted by CIAT in Colombia?

CIAT is an agricultural research institution. They focus on scientific solutions to hunger in the tropics. They believe eco-efficient agriculture is the best way to eradicate hunger and improve livelihoods in the region. CIAT is also about partnerships with likeminded organizations, for a far-reaching and long-lasting impact. [Get to know more!](#)

ARD Events

YPARD selection of the month

Upcoming events

Conference - Increasing Agricultural Productivity and Enhancing Food Security in Africa: New Challenges and Opportunities, 1-3 November 2011, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

International conference "Innovations in Extension and Advisory Services: Linking Knowledge to Policy and Action for Food and Livelihoods", 15-18 November 2011, Nairobi, Kenya

Young People, Farming & Food: The Future of the Agrifood Sector in Africa, 19-21 March 2012, Accra, Ghana

3rd RUFORUM Biennial Conference, 24 to 28 Sep 2012, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

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ARD News

Food security without food transfers?

Don't miss hotspots of agricultural innovation

NE (Nienke) Stein: A microbial fuel cell-based biosensor for the detection of toxic components in water

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