

CAVS HOSTS AN INTERNATIONAL COURSE ON INCREASING THE DEVELOPMENT IMPACT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH (IDIAR) ON 26th February 2018 to 23rd March 2018

The Department of Plant Science and Crop Protection in the College of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences (CAVS), University of Nairobi, in collaboration with the University of Sydney, Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO), ICIPE, the Kyeema Foundation and Australia Africa Universities Network (AAUN) will be hosting a one-month international course on **Increasing the Development Impact of Agricultural Research (IDIAR) on 26th February 2018 to 23rd March 2018 at Southern Sun Mayfair Hotel, Parklands, Nairobi.**

This course is designed for African, mid-career male and female professionals, working in agricultural policy, research and outreach, both in government and the private sector. It is designed to increase their understanding, and applied knowledge and practice of maximising impact of agricultural research, particularly focusing on forming effective partnerships across the public and private sectors. It is also designed to facilitate the building of networks within Africa among participants, as well as develop cross Africa-Australia linkages in this area. It is a flexible program, tailored to accommodate those from a range of backgrounds.

The course aim is to increase participants' capacity to develop effective, relevant, contextually-appropriate and high-impact agricultural research programs. The course will do this through increasing participants' capacity to work in multi-stakeholder partnerships to increase agricultural innovation, adoption and extension, and strengthen participants' management, planning, problem-solving, communication and outreach skills and abilities as agents of change.

Twenty six (26) individuals from 16 African countries namely Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, South Africa, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Sudan and Madagascar will receive the IDIAR training.

Facilitators from the University of Sydney will include Prof Robyn Alders (Program leader) and Emma Walters (Program Manager) while facilitators from the University of Nairobi will include Prof. Florence M. Olubayo (Lead Facilitator) and Prof. George N. Chemining'wa.

What is the course program?

The course adopts a modular approach as follows:

Australia Awards Africa Fellowships - Increasing the Development Impact of Agricultural Research

