



The Association of African Universities (AAU) and its partners is pleased to invite you to a series of upcoming events. These initiatives aim to promote innovation, digital transformation, and responsible research across African Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

Please find below the details of these upcoming engagements:

1. SEADE SECOND PILOTING VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

Organised in collaboration with HapaSpace Foundation under the Strengthening the Europe-African Digital Ecosystem through Increased R&I Cooperation (SEADE) project, the AAU invites you to the **Second Piloting Workshop on the Enrich in Africa (EiA) Digital Platform**, scheduled for **Tuesday, 12th August 2025 at 1:00 PM GMT via Zoom**.

This virtual workshop offers a unique opportunity for actors in the science, technology, and innovation (STI) ecosystem to explore newly integrated features and tools on the EiA platform. These enhancements are designed to address key barriers to innovation across Africa and Europe, including limited commercialization pathways, weak cross-border collaboration, and low visibility of African innovators.

Participants will engage with tools such as Route-to-Market Capacity Building Programs, AU-EU R&I resources (AfriConEU Toolkit, EURAXESS, Innnowwide), non-EU support platforms (EuroQuity, VC4A, Digital Collective Africa), IP support tools (AfriIPChatbot, African SME Helpdesk), and a centralized repository for research and innovation resources.

The workshop aims to demonstrate the platform's functionalities, showcase real-world applications, gather user feedback, and strengthen ecosystem connections. Researchers, faculty, university administrators, and innovation managers are encouraged to attend.

To confirm participation, please register via: <https://shorturl.at/5La2L> by **Friday, 9th August 2025**.

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2. INAUGURAL MEDIA MASTERCLASS

The TV Unit of the Association of African Universities, AAU TV, extends an invitation to participate in a Four-Day Media Masterclass for Higher Education Institutions, under the theme, “Harnessing Media for Education: Mastering Digital Tools Training for African Universities.”

This inaugural masterclass is designed to build the capacity of communication and media professionals, as well as students in media-related programs, by equipping them with essential digital media skills. The training blends theory with hands-on practice to enhance participants’ abilities in media literacy, digital storytelling and content creation.

The masterclass will focus on equipping attendees with first-hand experience in digital media production and promoting the ethical and responsible use of media in educational contexts.

| Date : 9th – 12th September 2025 | Venue : AAU Secretariat, Accra Ghana | Registration Fee : USD 300 | Registration Link : <https://forms.office.com/r/ThB0H6pTXc> | Payment Link : <https://pay.aau.org/media-masterclass> | Link to read more : <https://blog.aau.org/media-masterclass-for-higher-education-institutions/> |

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3. CALL FOR PAPERS & PARTICIPATION - RUAIETH 2025

The Association of African Universities (AAU), its Southern Africa Regional Office (SARO), and Europe Regional Office are pleased to announce the Call for Papers and invite you to register for the International Conference on Responsible Use of Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies in Higher Education (RUAIETH 2025).

The conference will be hosted at the Namibia University of Science & Technology (NUST) from 1 to 3 October 2025.

RUAIETH 2025 welcomes original research contributions and workshop proposals focused on the responsible integration of Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies in higher education. Accepted papers will be published by Taylor & Francis, with selected extended versions featured in the Journal of Responsible Technology.

The conference will explore key themes including personalised learning, smart campuses, digital twins, governance and ethics, and challenges to adoption such as inclusiveness and infrastructure.

Please visit <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/RUAIETH2025> to submit a paper .

|Dates: 1st - 3rd October 2025 | Venue : Namibia University of Science & Technology (NUST), Windhoek, Namibia | Registration Link: <https://ruaieth.nust.na/> | Link to read more : ruaieth.nust.na |

For further information, please send an email to aauric2025@nust.na with salary@aaau.org on copy.

We look forward to your participation in these impactful events, that aim to advance knowledge sharing and innovation in African higher education.