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FOURTH CALL FOR REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AND INNOVATION FUND (RSIF) PHD SCHOLARSHIP IN SELECTED AFRICAN UNIVERSITIES

PhD Scholarships available to support 3-4-year doctoral training in Applied Sciences, Engineering and Technology

This is to inform the University community of the fourth call for PhD scholarships with the Regional Scholarship and Innovation (RSIF), which is in line with Nigeria's involvement in the partnerships for skills in Applied Sciences, Engineering and Technology (PASET).

This fourth call will provide over 100 fully funded PhD scholarships for eligible applicants. The scholarships are offered in partnership with advanced international partner institutions and are aimed at training a critical mass of PhD and post-doctoral candidates, and support research and innovation in sub-Saharan Africa.

The scholarships are open to eligible candidates in the fields of applied sciences, engineering and technology (ASET) and they are tenable in specific African Universities. They are supported by African Governments and key partners such as the World Bank and the Government of Korea.

Eligible applicants for the RSIF PhD scholarships must possess the following:

- Have a relevant master's degree in one of the fields of study. The master's degree must have been completed less than six years before 31st July 2021;
- Meet the specific admission requirements of the African host university they are applying to;
- Be a citizen of a sub-Saharan African country;
- Be willing to enroll full-time in a PhD programme at the African host university in the 2021-2022 academic year;
- Be willing to spend 6-24 months in 'sandwich' training at an international partner university, research institute or private company;

- Demonstrate that their research goals are well aligned to the RSIF priority thematic areas and contribute to Africa's development.

Priority for the scholarships will be given to women and existing young academic faculty who do not have a PhD; and applicants who are 35 years of age and below.

The scholarship covers university tuition and related fees, competitive stipend to cover living expenses, travel, medical insurance, and research costs. Graduates will have access to RSIF competitive research costs. Graduates will have access to RSIF competitive research grants upon completion of their PhD.

Interested candidates are invited to view more information on the website of the PASET Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF) including the list of participating universities at www.rsif-paset.org.

Deadline for submission: 30th September 2021 at 5:00 pm (East Africa Time; UTC+ 3)

Thank you.

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