RUFORUM Annual General Meeting 2017 to be held 26th-28th October, 2017 in Lilongwe, Malawi

RUFORUM is pleased to announce its 13th Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held 26th-28th October 2017 at the Bingu International Conference Centre in Lilongwe, Malawi. The AGM will be hosted by the Government of Malawi and RUFORUM member universities in Malawi. His Excellency, Prof. Arthur Peter Mutharika, the President of the Republic of Malawi will be the guest of honour for the event.

Participation at the Annual General Meeting is expected from the 66 Vice Chancellors of member universities, over 80 Deans and Principals, university staff and key stakeholders. The RUFORUM AGM is the overarching organ of the RUFORUM network that meets annually to review the previous year’s activities approve RUFORUM Secretariat activities for the running fiscal year; 2017/18 in this case. Other RUFORUM Governance Organs (the Board and its committees) will also meet during the AGM. For example, the RUFORUM Deans and Principals will meet to share experiences and lessons from there training and research activities.

RUFORUM will also recognise higher education achievers through the IMPRESSA Awards and outstanding farmers. The IMPRESSA Awards recognize outstanding university scientists making significant contribution in agricultural Research and Science for Development in Africa. Nominations will close on the 31st July, 2017.
Notes to Editors:

The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) is a network of 66 African Universities with mission to ‘strengthen the capacities of Universities to foster innovations responsive to demands of small-holder farmers through the training of high quality researchers, the output of impact oriented research and the maintenance of collaborative working relations among researchers, farmers, national agricultural research institutions’. RUFORUM was established in 2004, with Secretariat hosted by Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda. RUFORUM signed MoU with the African Union and has mandate to support capacity building for science, research and technology development in Africa. RUFORUM has supported the training of over 1500 postgraduate students, the generation of over 300 agricultural technologies and mobilized over US$70 million for strengthening postgraduate education in Africa. Please visit www.ruforum.org for more information.

For additional information, photos and interviews with key delegates, contact Ms Joan Apio, Communications Publicity and Marketing Officer, below.

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