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Welcome to a selection of global news from SLU!

In this newsletter you can read about some of our ongoing efforts to contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals.



Dry, drier, driest: linking up with local actors in Karamoja region during site selection for Drylands Transform

Transformation towards the sustainable development goals in dry rangelands requires strong engagement with local stakeholders in transdisciplinary research. Follow the team from one SLU-led research project in Kenya and Uganda on the initial reconnaissance trip earlier this year

[Follow the team here.](#)

Read an interview with Professor Ingrid Öborn, project leader for Drylands Transform [here](#).



Online course for better application of modern tools in breeding programmes

Better knowledge and skills in bioinformatics, programming and analysis of genomic data can improve the breeding of livestock. In a recently conducted course, researchers from SLU and the International Livestock Research Institute provided training for researchers in Africa.

[Read about the course.](#)

Many species are still unknown – biodiversity will be mapped in a huge project

Most of the species we share our planet with are still unknown. We also have a lot to learn about how species interact with each other and live together. Now researchers all over the world are working together to map life on earth in the huge project Lifeplan. The field work is coordinated from SLU.

[*Find out more.*](#)



Why do smallholders in sub-Saharan Africa adopt, adapt and reject different technologies?

In a new episode of TABLE's podcast, SLU researcher Klara Fischer discusses how different smallholders in sub-Saharan Africa adopt and adapt different technologies, why new crop technologies are not scale-neutral, and why it's important to work in interdisciplinary teams and be aware of the boundaries of our own knowledge.

[*Listen here.*](#)

Honorary doctor at SLU receives the 2021 World Food Prize

Dr. Shakuntala Haraksingh Thilsted receives the 2021 World Food Prize for her improvement of aquatic food systems for enhanced nutrition and resilient ecosystems. Dr. Thilsted was appointed honorary doctor at SLU's Faculty of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences in 2020.

[*Read more.*](#)



Funding

Are you looking for funding opportunities and information about upcoming calls related to the global agenda in low- and middle-income countries?

[*Have a look in our database!*](#)

Seed-money call for collaborative projects between GCUA2030 members and SLU.

Short-term projects focusing on research,

communication or networking of relevance to the SDGs with the potential to attract future funding and further develop collaboration between SLU and the other GCUA 2030 member universities.

[More information.](#)

Coming up!

Climate conversation 26 August

This open seminar, with a focus on the IPCC AR6 The Physical Science Basis report, is the second in a series of dialogues and seminars that are held during the year.

Agri4D 28-30 September

Welcome to join us in the online conference with the theme Food Systems for New Realities.