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CALL FOR STUDENTS TRAINING ON AGRI-ENTREPRENEURSHIP THROUGH EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING (4th COHORT)

Training for Young Agricultural Entrepreneurs:

Laikipia University in partnership with Agripreneurship Alliance (Switzerland) aim at promoting the establishment of youth led businesses within Agri-Food amongst our student fraternity. The University will be conducting the fourth cohort training having successfully conducted three previous ones. Participants will be guided in developing innovative business ideas within the Agri-Food sector that can create wealth for themselves and their families, create employment within their communities, reduce poverty and support food and nutrition security through experiential learning and business ideas incubation.

Target Group

This training targets motivated and committed students who have an interest in agriculture or food related fields. This training is open to all students of Laikipia University Main Campus who are considering starting a venture in agribusiness and those who have already started an agribusiness and wish to learn how to take their business to the next level of growth.

Training

The training will focus on providing experiential skills that can be of use to development of agri-entrepreneurship businesses. In addition, the students will receive training in business plan development and entrepreneurship which will expose them to opportunities in the agri-entrepreneurship sector. The training will use blended-learning courses, tools, resources and also adopt a cloud-based approach.

Delivery

The training is staggered into very short intensive activities over a period of 6-9 weeks. The training will be on appropriate times during week-days and weekends. The training will use African Management Institute (AMI) platform for experiential learning that is easy to use and available online to access.

On completing this training, the students will be expected to apply experiential learning skills in the fields of agriculture and agri-foods development to develop business plans that are viable, implementable and fundable.

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Eligibility and Registration

1. LU students from any degree program who are engaged / aspire to be engaged in agribusiness activities.
2. Applicant should write a **one-page motivation essay indicating why they are interested** in the training and attach proof of affiliation with any club / association

Training requirement

1. One must be committed to participate in all scheduled sessions and complete the online tasks in time.
2. All members of a group must be involved in group activities

HOW TO APPLY:

Interested applicants should send their applications to undersigned below:

Training Coordinator -Agripreneurship programme

Dr. Florence Opondo,

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Deadline for application is 30th January, 2022

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