**CALL For MSC APPLICATIONS -2024/2025**

**Background**

The Africa Center of Excellence for Climate Smart Agriculture and Biodiversity Conservation (ACE Climate SABC) at Haramaya University that was established with a loan grant obtained from the World Bank started its operation in October 2017. The Center has admitted seven cohorts of MSc and PhD students since its inception. The Center provides a new opportunity for African students to enroll in trans-disciplinary post-graduate programs conducted by a truly capable faculty members in either of the two programs: **MSc in Climate Smart Agriculture,** and **MSc in Biodiversity and Ecosystem Management**

The Center is presently screening applications for MSc positions under the two Intra-Africa Academic Mobility (MOBAF) projects (COCREATE-Africa and CSAS) to start coursework in October, 2024 tentatively. The Center will provide admission to fill the remaining MSc positions by qualified applicants that can find sponsors to cover their tuition fees, research costs and living expenses. The Center will facilitate provision of accommodation on the main Campus of Haramaya University for a reasonable rent fee. Candidates will be selected on the competitive basis by vetting their academic credentials.

**Who can apply?**

Applicants for MSc in Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) must hold a BSc in agriculture and environmental sciences and related fields from recognized university; applicants from non-agricultural backgrounds may be required to take remedial/bridging courses at their own costs to compensate for deficiencies as recommendation by appropriate academic units.

Applicants for MSc in Biodiversity and Ecosystem Management (BEM) must hold BSc Degree from recognized universities or colleges in Biological and Environmental Sciences, agricultural sciences, wildlife management and ecotourism, natural resource management, forestry, geography and other related fields.

Applicants for both programs should also score qualifying marks on the **Graduate Admission Test (GAT)**given by the Federal Ministry of Education of Ethiopia.

**Tuition Fees**

Self-sponsored applicants are required to pay tuition fees as per the structure set by the Postgraduate Programs Directorate of the University.

**How to Apply?**

Applicants must send scanned softcopies of their motivation letters, authenticated degree and transcript, CVs, recommendation letters, sponsorship letter from employers, valid Identification Cards, Certificate of GAT all listed in a single PDF file (i.e., separate PDF files are not accepted). Publications, if any, should be sent in a separate PDF file each as separate documents. Applications should be sent through email to: [aceclimatesabc@haramaya.edu.et](mailto:aceclimatesabc@haramaya.edu.et) before **31th August, 2024**. Please, you should also make a CC to the following email addresses when you attach your documents for application.

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