# **Application Guidelines**

# **Eligibility Criteria**

The Gender Responsive Agriculture Systems Policy (GRASP) Fellowship is open to African women who meet the criteria below:

- Nationals of Ghana, Rwanda, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, and Uganda.
- Resident in Africa for the entire duration of the fellowship.
- Have at least a master's degree in a relevant discipline in agrifood systems.
- Have at least ten years working experience in agrifood systems related areas.
- Demonstrated interest and contribution to gender and policy issues at national, regional, or continental levels.
- Employed in national and international organizations including government agencies, non-governmental organizations, the private sector, development, civil society, regional and sub-regional communities, or academia.
- Not a Fellow of a previous or ongoing AWARD Fellowship
- Satisfactory level of proficiency in the English language to enable them participate in training and other fellowship activities.

# Ideal AWARD Policy Fellows

The ideal AWARD Policy Fellows will:

- Convincingly explain the top policy challenges or questions they are currently working on.
- Show how they have played a leadership role in policy development and implementation, particularly in projects at the nexus of agricultural development, food systems, and gender equality.
- Clearly articulate what policy idea they will work on under the policy innovation projects.

# Pre-conditions for Participation in the GRASP Fellowship

Notification on an offer to successful applicants does not guarantee participation in the Fellowship. Participation will be confirmed upon the applicant's:

- provision of details of the institution's head or responsible supervisor that shall endorse their participation in the Fellowship activities
- submission of the required documentation (copies of passport and academic certificates) to support information provided in the application form
- acceptance of the AWARD's code of conduct
- timely communication to AWARD accepting the offer

# **Application Procedure**

The call for the GRASP Fellowship **opens on March 21, 25 and closes on April 21, 2025.** Late and/or incomplete applications will NOT be considered. The application process will include the following steps:



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# Supporting Documents

- The GRASP Fellowship brochure (download here)
- Frequently Asked Questions -FAQs (download here)

### **Important Dates to note**

Call for applications open	March 21, 2025
Call close	<mark>April 21, 2025</mark>
Notification to the selected candidates	<mark>June 2025</mark>
Start of the Fellowship activities	<mark>June 2025</mark>

### For more information visit www.awardfellowships.org

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