

# Profile



## Leadership Program for Emerging African Women in Science

### Supporting Rural Livelihoods through Poverty Alleviation



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Emebet Sisay is a PhD candidate at Haramaya University, where her research focuses on integrating perspectives from agriculture, environmental science, and gender studies to inform policies and interventions to improve the lives and livelihoods of rural populations.

Reflecting on her work, Emebet says, "What drives me is the potential impact it may have on improving people's lives, especially vulnerable groups. My research focuses on issues that are critically important yet often overlooked - like the different ways climate change affects women and men, and how rural communities can strengthen their livelihoods and food security."

Emebet joined the AWARD Leadership Program for Emerging African Women in Science with the goal of developing skills and competencies that could enable her to be an effective leader and manager within a research environment. "I have strengthened my ability to plan and navigate my research career path strategically. This includes networking and promoting my work to attract funding and collaboration opportunities to advance my work," she says.

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#### Position:

PhD Candidate and  
Researcher

#### Organization:

Haramaya University

#### Field of research:

Rural Development and  
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