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Position:

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Organization:

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Field of research:

Animal Breeding and Genetics

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Loukaïya Zorobouragui is a scientific researcher at the Animal Production and Health Laboratory of the Joint FAO/IAEA Centre for Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture. Her current PhD research is focused on improving milk production and resilience to heat stress in Goudali cattle in West Africa.

Participating in the AWARD Leadership Program for Emerging African Women in Science fuelled Loukaïya's motivation by providing her the opportunity to expand her skill set in ways that are relevant to her work. Loukaïya says, "This course improved the impact of my research through a deepened understanding of gender dynamics and gender-responsive approaches to meeting stakeholder needs."

As someone who believes in meaningfully contributing to her community through her work, Loukaïya says, "I wholeheartedly encourage young women to apply for this program. It is a life-changing experience because it focuses on addressing real-world challenges and allows you to contribute to scientific advancements that directly benefit local communities and Africa as a whole."