

2015 BHEARD Scholar Abdoulah Mamary Kane

## Profile Country of Study: Kenya **University: Egerton University** Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Department: Management Student Position: Graduate Research Assistant - Ph.D. Hometown: Bamako, Mali Home Institution: **Rural Economic Institute Home Position:** Senior Researcher Home: Dr. Bino Teme Mentored By: University: JK Lagar, Professor,

Egerton University

## Research Area: Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness and Management

## BHEARD PROGRAM START DATE: September 2015

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION: B.Sc., Agricultural Engineering and Water Management,

Rural Polytechnic IPR/IFRA, Mali

**GRADUATE EDUCATION:** M.Sc., Agricultural Economic and Management, China Agricultural

University

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS:**

- Food security Economic evaluation of irrigation systems used in vegetables production and water management.
- Economic evaluation, monitoring and assessment of environmental economic impact.
- Project management.

Abdoulah's interest is from the agricultural policy of his country. Mali has a large potential in agricultural and water resource, but the income is very low. The mission of Egerton University is to train and produce graduates in farm management, agricultural and applied economics, agribusiness management and agri-enterprise development who are knowledgeable in agricultural economic concepts, adequately equipped with relevant up to date analytical tools/skills necessary to function effectively in a wide range of assignments in the public and private (i.e,both profit and nonprofit) sectors, and with a solid foundation for those progressing on to post-doctoral level studies.

The overall goal is to build capacity for policy research and analysis, as well as agribusiness value chain analysis to promote agricultural development in Sub-Saharan Africa, through investment in the requisite human resources. Abdoulah's research interests with his employer (IER) is still in food security from research activities with farmers in agricultural economic and agribusiness.

**PERSONAL STATEMENT:** Abdoulah's goals are to graduate with a Ph.D. in economic analysis of irrigation systems; to teach agricultural economics at the university level; and to publish scientific papers. Abdoulah also would like to develop skill in research methodology and English, and to participate in different meeting and conferences organized by his university.

**WHEN I AM NOT WORKING I ENJOY:** Abdoulah enjoys helping mostly with farmers in production. He likes to spend his time reading and making reflections in the research field.