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## Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Collaborative Research on Horticulture

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### NEWS ANNOUNCEMENT

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### **Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service awarded Trellis Fund grant from Horticulture Innovation Lab**

The Horticulture Innovation Lab is proud to announce that it has awarded a \$2,000 (USD) Trellis Fund grant to Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS).

KEPHIS will lead a project focused on improving food production by adopting best pest management methods in Kenya.

As part of the Trellis Fund process, the KEPHIS project team will also work with a U.S. graduate student, who will be selected to provide additional agricultural expertise to achieve the project goals.

“We are pleased to build new relationships with local organizations, with support from our innovative Trellis Fund program,” said Elizabeth Mitcham, director of the Horticulture Innovation Lab at the University of California, Davis. “We believe this model, which links knowledgeable U.S. university students with local, on-the-ground practitioners, can help further extend horticultural expertise to farmers nearby.”

This new project is one of nine Trellis Fund projects that will take place over the course of 6 months in 2017.

The Horticulture Innovation Lab is funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development, as part of the U.S. government’s global hunger and food security initiative called Feed the Future. With leadership from UC Davis, the program builds international partnerships for fruit and vegetable research that improves livelihoods in developing countries.

For more information about the Horticulture Innovation Lab and its Trellis Fund, visit <http://horticulture.ucdavis.edu/main/trellis.html>.

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