



INTERNAL & EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT

Ref: IITA-HR-NRS2023-013	Position: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research Supervisor
Location: Abuja	Recruitment Type: National (2-year renewable contract)
Date Posted: 21 March 2023	Closing Date: 4 April 2023

The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture seeks suitable applicants for the positions below at the Institute's Station in Abuja.

Position: Research Supervisor

Contract: 2-year renewable contract

Location: Abuja

DUTIES:

- Participate in designing, planning and management of agronomy experiments in the screen house and on-station field for seed yam production using minisetts, mini-tubers, and vine cuttings.
- Participate in the design, planning and management of demonstration trials on certified seed yam production in collaboration with PROSSIVA-Yam Partners in Nigeria and Ghana.
- Provide technical backstopping to certified seed entrepreneurs, ware yam farmers, extension workers and Community Research Technicians on implementing demonstration trials for demand creation.
- Collect and maintain data on certified seed yam production activities including seed preparation, planting, scoring for diseases and pests, application of agronomic measures, labelling, harvesting, sorting, treating, storage, etc.
- Participate in monitoring the activities of PROSSIVA-associated private seed companies and certified seed entrepreneurs working with IITA PROSSIVA team members.
- Supervise the activities of daily rated labour on-station.
- Report monthly on the progress of planned activities.
- Perform any other job-related task as may be assigned by the Supervisor.

QUALIFICATION:

BSc/HND in Crop Science/Soil Science, Seed Science, Botany or any other related field with a minimum of two (2) years' experience performing a similar role in a well-structured environment with a valid driver's license.

COMPETENCIES:

The ideal candidate must:

- Be experienced in conducting agricultural research experiments.
- Be experienced in recording, handling, and processing data from research experiments and report writing.
- Have knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and some experience of using statistical software
- Have good interpersonal relationships, good documentation abilities, organizational skills and strong communication skills.
- Have ability to work independently and the use of any of SPSS, R, SAS or related statistical tools.
- Experience of using digital tools for data entry and knowledge of yam agronomy
- Have experience in working with partners in research and extension, as well as farmers.

REMUNERATION:

We offer highly competitive salaries with equally attractive benefits and excellent working conditions in a pleasant campus environment.

METHOD OF APPLICATION:

Interested applicants should complete the online application by attaching a detailed cover letter and curriculum vitae saved with their names in Microsoft word format to IITA website: <http://jobs.iita.org/erecruit> no later than Two Weeks from the date of this publication. The application must include the names and e-mail addresses of three professional referees which must include the applicant's current or previous direct Supervisor, professional colleague, and evidence of current remuneration package.

IITA is an equal-opportunity employer and is committed to building a diverse workforce, particularly welcoming applications from women. While all applications will be acknowledged, please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.