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Institute for Natural Resources in Africa

**CALL FOR A RESEARCH FELLOW – GREEN ECONOMY
(Consultant Contract – CTC)**

Accra, Ghana

Organizational Unit : United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA)

Reference Number : 2015/UNU/INRA/RF/GE/01

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Closing Date : 30th December, 2015

United Nations University Objectives:

The UNU is an international community of scholars engaged in research, postgraduate training and the dissemination of knowledge in furtherance of the purposes and principles of the United Nations, its Peoples and Member States. The University functions as a think tank for the United Nations system, contributes to capacity building, particularly in developing countries, and serves as a platform for new and innovative ideas and dialogue. For more information please visit <http://unu.edu>.

United Nations University - Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA):

UNU-INRA is one of the fifteen Research and Training Centres and Programmes established by UNU worldwide. The mission of UNU-INRA is to strengthen the capacity of Africa's universities and research institutions to conduct research and produce well-trained, well-equipped and motivated individuals, capable of developing, adapting and disseminating technologies that advance food security and promote conservation and efficient use of the continent's natural resources for sustainable development. For more information please visit <http://inra.unu.edu/>

We are looking for an outstanding individual with strong commitment and the potential to bring a significant contribution to the activities of the Institute.

Responsibilities:

Under the supervision of the Director of UNU-INRA, the Research Fellow will:

- Conduct research on green economy with focus on Public Private Partnership, value chain and financing;
- Develop research and training proposals for funding;
- Plan, organize and participate in national and sub-regional conferences/meetings/workshops;
- Prepare and publish research outputs in high quality publications, including peer-reviewed journals, extension and policy briefs; and
- Perform any other professional duties as may be required by the Director of UNU-INRA.

Required Qualifications and Experience:

- A PhD or ABD in Development Economics, Environmental Economics, Agricultural Economics, Ecology, Resource Management, Forestry, Soil Sciences or a related discipline;
- At least two (2) years of relevant work experience beyond the Masters level, preferably in an international environment;
- Good computer application and modeling skills and use of statistical and econometrical packages;
- Good writing, presentation and communication skills; and demonstrated experience in organizing training workshops, conferences, and fundraising activities, as well as forging partnerships with international agencies, national institutions and NGOs;
- Fluency in oral and written English and good working knowledge of French is essential. Knowledge of another UN official language is an asset;
- Ability to work independently with little supervision and under tight deadlines; and
- A good team player with strong interpersonal skills, demonstrated by the ability to work in a multi-cultural, multi-ethnic environment with sensitivity and respect for diversity.

Remuneration:

- Remuneration will commensurate with academic qualification and work experience according to the suitability of the candidate.

Duration of contract:

- The successful candidate shall work under the Consultant Contract (CTC) for a fixed period of twelve (12) months for the above-mentioned project. No consultant shall provide services for more than twenty-four (24) months in a thirty-six (36) –month period.

This is a locally recruited post; no relocation expenses or allowances apply. The successful candidate will be employed under a local contract and will not hold international civil servant status nor be a “staff member” as defined in the United Nations Staff Rules and Regulations.

Applications from suitably qualified women candidates are particularly encouraged.

Starting Date: 15th January, 2016.

Application Procedure:

Interested applicants should submit their applications, preferably by email (to recruit-inra@unu.edu), and must include the following:

- A cover letter setting out how the qualifications and experience match the requirements of the position;
- A curriculum vitae and a completed and signed [UNU Personal History \(P.11\)](#) form downloadable from [UNU website](#). Please avoid using similar forms provided by other United Nations organizations;
- Full contact information of three (3) referees; and
- An indication of the reference number of the vacancy announcement ([2015/UNU/INRA/RF/GE/01](#))