Cocoa Research & Environment Specialist Consultancy,
Green Prosperity – Sustainable Cocoa Production Program
www.worldcocoa.org
Makassar, Indonesia

General Description:

The World Cocoa Foundation (WCF), a non-profit foundation of the global chocolate and cocoa industry, promotes a sustainable cocoa economy through economic and social development and environmental conservation in cocoa growing communities in West Africa, Latin America and Southeast Asia. WCF works with its members to create unique public-private partnerships that support cocoa sustainability throughout the entire cocoa value chain, from small holder farmers to improvements in cocoa quality and value-addition.

WCF is a sub-recipient of funding for the Green Prosperity - Sustainable Cocoa Production Program (GP-SCPP) led by Swisscontact. The project is supported by funding from the Millennium Challenge Account and seven companies. The project aims to reduce poverty and greenhouse gas emissions in the Indonesian cocoa sector. The project includes activities related to productivity, the environment, nutrition, finance, and multi-stakeholder collaboration. WCF’s role in the project is focused on cocoa research (particularly with regards to the environment) and multi-stakeholder collaboration.

This role is based in Indonesia and will report to the Associate Director, Southeast Asia, Latin America & Research located in Washington, DC. However, this position will also be integrated to the GP-SCPP team structure and the position will work closely with Swisscontact and other consortium partner staff on a daily basis. Candidates must be authorized to work in Indonesia for the remaining duration of the two-year project. WCF is not able to sponsor visas. As WCF is pursuing business registration in Indonesia, this role may be transferred to an employment contract. Therefore, WCF will require an exclusive consulting arrangement (i.e. no simultaneous outside employment or other consulting assignments).

Estimated start date: May 16 2016.

Specific Responsibilities: The Cocoa Research & Environment Specialist will be responsible for:

• Overseeing and coordinating sensory-guided exploration of Indonesian fine-flavor cocoa bean activities; including procurement and set up of equipment; logistical coordination of training; and organizing/facilitating workshops

• Supporting the preparation of meetings and workshops to raise stakeholder awareness of good environmental practices and greenhouse gas emissions (including content development, setting agenda, facilitation)
Supporting the development of a private sector strategy for addressing environmental issues in the cocoa sector

Developing linkages and information sharing between GP-SCPP environment/research activities and relevant environment/research activities conducted by others nationally and internationally

Providing general administrative and operational support

Participating in relevant task forces of the Cocoa Sustainable Partnership to exchange learning and information on research and environment

Skills and Experience Required:

- Minimum 7 years of relevant working experience in managing and designing agricultural research, socio-economic research, agricultural development and/or environmental sustainability projects; experience with cocoa or other agricultural commodities preferred
- Degree in agriculture, agricultural economics, environmental science, international development or a related discipline. Strong analytical skills required.
- Demonstrated experience in designing and managing agricultural research studies and programs involving Indonesian and international research institutions.
- Strong background in environmental issues including greenhouse gas emissions, change mitigation and adaptation, and biodiversity conservation.
- Proficiency in English and Bahasa Indonesia (verbal and written); concise writing and reporting skills
- Self-initiative and good professional communication skills; accustomed and willing to work with a variety of private sector and partner organization representatives
- Ability and interest to work in a fast-paced, small office work environment

Compensation:
Compensation for the consultancy is competitive and commensurate with experience.

How to Apply:
Interested and eligible consultants are requested to upload their proposal describing their interest in this engagement, their interest in WCF, and their qualifications to:
https://worldcocoa.egnyte.com/ul/7qg4Bz6s0E

Please address the letter to “Hiring Manager” and name your files using the following convention: ‘J.Doe Proposal and ‘J.Doe Qualifications’
Proposals will be reviewed on a rolling basis until position is filled. No phone calls please. Only shortlisted consultant candidates will be contacted.