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Dietary Intake Lead for Nigerian National Food Consumption and Micronutrient Survey (Ref. No: DDG-R4D/DIL/NFC/MS/02/20)

Background: The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) invites applications for the internationally recruited position of **Dietary Intake Lead for Nigerian National Food Consumption and Micronutrient**.

The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) is a not-for-profit institution that generates agricultural innovations to meet Africa's most pressing challenges of hunger, malnutrition, poverty, and natural resource degradation. Working with various partners across sub-Saharan Africa, we improve livelihoods, enhance food and nutrition security, increase employment, and preserve natural resource integrity. IITA is a member of CGIAR, a global agriculture research partnership for a food secure future. Please visit <http://www.iita.org/> for more information on IITA.

Position Responsibilities

- Lead, plan, coordinate and supervise all activities related to dietary intake for the survey including pre-survey and main survey fieldwork.
- Lead and/or contribute to activities for the development of detailed pre-survey field protocols (i.e. standard operating procedures for the development of standard recipes, collection of conversion factors and pre-testing of portion size estimation methods).
- Lead pre-survey training workshops with field workers (i.e., training field workers to facilitate group discussions, and on methods for the collection of standard recipes, market surveys and pre-testing PSEM).
- Lead and/contribute to data collection and analyses to generate databases to be uploaded into the INDDEX24 application.
- Lead in the development of a data analysis plan for the dietary component of the survey, data-cleaning and drafting of dietary reports.
- Lead training workshops with all field staff (i.e., field coordinators, supervisors and enumerators).
- Oversee coordination of field operations, provide support in the management of the component.
- Work closely with all stakeholders of the NFCMS, particularly with the dietary technical advisors (such as *Intake* – Center for Dietary Assessment/FHI Solutions and International Dietary Data Expansion Project (INDDEX)).
- Report to the overall survey coordinator.
- Supervise project staff on dietary intake.
- Perform any duties assigned by the supervisor (Overall Survey Coordinator).

Educational Qualifications

The candidate should have a finalised PhD in Nutrition, Food Science/Technology, Public Health or related fields.

Core Competencies

- At least five years of field-based work in large scale dietary surveys preferably in Nigeria or in low- and middle-income countries.
- Demonstrated ability to be collaborative across activities while utilizing strong communications and interpersonal skills, with evidence of the ability to productively interact with a wide range of stakeholders.
- Demonstrated capacity to manage complex teams, including problem solving skills, and capacity to meet deadlines and deliver quality deliverables to meet objectives.
- Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Very strong written and verbal communication skills (proficiency in English).
- Knowledge of Nigerian foods desirable.
- 10 years of significant related international experience to successfully achieve meaningful and sustainable results.
- Previous working experience in an international organization and/or in a complex or multi-faceted environment.
- Competence in quantitative analysis, with the ability to present patterns in data with both statistical rigor and simplicity to non-specialist audiences.
- Ability to translate technical material into practical tools and guidance materials.
- Visual creativity, including design of slides and diagrams and excellent presentation skills.
- Reliable, timely, delivery-oriented working style
- Capacity to foster effective, trusting, collaborative relationships, within the coordinating office, but also with external stakeholders
- Fast learner with curiosity and appetite to take on challenging tasks personally
- Ability to work with minimal supervision on specific tasks

Duty Station: IITA Headquarters, Ibadan, Nigeria

General information: The contract will be for an initial period of two years. IITA offers an internationally competitive remuneration package paid in US Dollars.

Applications: Applications must include covering letter which should address how the candidate's background/experience relates to the specific duties of the position applied for, curriculum vitae, names and addresses of three professional referees (which **must** include either the Head of the applicant's current or previous organization or applicant's direct Supervisor/Superior at his/her present or former place of work). The application should be addressed to the Head, Human Resources Service. Please complete our online application form using this link: <http://www.iita.org/careers>

Closing Date: 1st April 2020

IITA is an equal opportunity employer and particularly welcomes applications from women candidates.

Please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.