



**INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE (IITA)
INTERNAL & EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT**

Ref: IITA-HR-NRS2020-021	Position: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research Technician II (Breeding)
Location: Ubiaja, Ikenne and Mokwa	Recruitment Type: National (2-year renewable contract)
Date Posted: 27 July 2020	Closing Date: 10 August 2020

The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture seeks suitable applicants for the positions below at the Institute's field location in Ubiaja, Ikenne & Mokwa:

Position: Research Technician II (Breeding)

Contract: 2-year renewable contract
Mokwa

Location: Ubiaja, Ikenne &

DUTIES:

- Assist in designing and establishing field trials under supervision of breeder
- Implement day-to-day operations of on-station, off-station, and on-farm cassava breeding field trials.
- Prepare plot barcodes and electronic resources for data capture including hardware and software
- Collect pre-harvest data, including early plant vigor, pest and disease resistance and morphological characterization.
- Conduct harvesting of field trials and capture yield and yield-related traits data
- Ensure field trials are always well maintained
- Assist in updating and maintaining trials and pedigree records
- Assist to oversee hiring and supervision of daily-hired staff for planting, weeding and harvesting operations while maintaining strict control of budget expenditures
- Assist in coordinating crossing activities for all locations
- Perform any other duties assigned by the Supervisor

QUALIFICATION:

National Diploma in Agriculture, Agronomy, Biology, or related field with three (3) years' experience performing similar role in a laboratory environment.

COMPETENCIES:

The ideal candidate must:

- Have good field data collection skills, excellent record keeping, experience in high through-put phenotyping, trial design and data analysis skills
- Be organized, strong attention to detail and excellent time management skills

- Consistently follow field and lab protocols and other directions and with minimal errors
- Be dependable, takes initiative and responsibility for own actions
- Be flexible, adaptable, able to respond to changes in routine
- Be strong listening, verbal, and documentation skills.

REMUNERATION:

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

METHOD OF APPLICATION:

Interested applicants should complete the online application attaching 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. While all applications will be acknowledged, please note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.