



**INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE (IITA)
SHORT-TERM CONTRACT VACANCY ADVERTISEMENT**

Ref: STS2022-010	Position: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical Field Officer
Location: Biu-Borno	Recruitment Type: STS- National (6-months renewable contract)
Date Posted: 22 June 2022	Closing Date: 29 June 2022

The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture seeks suitable applicants for the position below at the Institute's project location in Biu-Borno:

Position: Technical Field Officer

Duration: 5 months

Location: Biu-Borno

DUTIES:

- Contribute to capacity building of agro-input dealers and Agrochemical companies, extension agents, volunteer extension facilitators, partner seed companies and community-based seed producers.
- In consultation with the senior agronomist, will be responsible for advising on the technical aspects of the agricultural activities including mechanization.
- Supervise extension agents in providing necessary extension and advisory services to networked farmers.
- Link smallholder farmers to agro-input dealers, aggregators, processors, and markets.
- Work closely with all relevant activity staff to support all aspects of field implementation.
- Perform any other job-related task as may be assigned by the Supervisor.

QUALIFICATION:

BSC/HND in Plant or Crop Science, Agriculture, Agriculture extension and rural sociology or related field with a minimum of five (5) years' experience performing similar or related role in a well-structured organization.

COMPETENCIES:

The ideal candidate must:

- Have good knowledge of field operations and evaluation as well as data collection and analysis.
- Have ability to communicate fluently (orally and in writing) in English, Hausa and one or more of Northern Nigeria's major languages.
- Have ability to travel into rural communities and impart knowledge to smallholder farmers.
- Be proficient in the use of computers, have working knowledge of Microsoft tools, internet-based tools, and other electronic communication tools.
- Have excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to work in a team-oriented multicultural environment.
- Have ability to deliver accurate and timely reports.
- Be able to work with minimum supervision and with tight deadlines.

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 One Week 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