



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
Research technician for soil laboratory
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The Africa Rice Centre (AfricaRice) is seeking a highly qualified **Research Technician for soil laboratory** to be based at AfricaRice's 700 ha experimental station at M'bé, near Bouaké, Côte d'Ivoire.

About AfricaRice

AfricaRice is a leading Pan – African rice research organization committed to improving the livelihoods in Africa through strong science and effective partnerships. AfricaRice is one of the 15 international agricultural research centers that are members of the CGIAR System Organization. It is also an Intergovernmental association of African member countries. Its membership comprises of 26 countries, covering West, Central, East and North African regions.

Responsibilities

Under the overall guidance and supervision of the soil laboratory manager, the **research technician** will undertake a range of routine laboratory soil and plant analyses. He or she also performs the following tasks that include but not limited to:

1. Prepare chemical and standard solutions for soil and plant analyses
2. Implement extraction and digestion methods for various chemical analyses
3. Maintain and operate a wide range of laboratory equipment (e.g. centrifuges, titrators, pipetting machines and pH meters)
4. Record and manage data in soil and plant analyses
5. Manage and request reagents and chemicals
6. Provide technical support to laboratory assistant

Qualifications /Selection Criteria

Education: BTS or Bachelor in Chemistry or agronomy

Work Experience: More than three years of relevant working experience.

Knowledge and Key Competencies:

- Knowledge of laboratory analyses.
- Knowledge of Ms office.
- Ability to work in a multicultural team.
- Excellent communication skills, orally and written.
- Ability to take initiative

Language

The candidate should communicate fluently (orally and in writing) in English or French with a good working knowledge of the other language.

Terms and Conditions

- This is an locally recruited position.
- AfricaRice provides an attractive salary and benefits package and a collegial and gender-sensitive working environment.
- The initial appointment is for two years with renewal of contract possibility.

Application procedure

Expressions of interest (a full CV + supporting statement) including the names and addresses (telephone / fax / email) of three referees should be submitted.

To apply for this position, please send your applications to africaricehr@cgiar.org with the following mention in subject: “**Recruitment process – Research Technician for soil laboratory**”.

Applications will be considered until **Sunday, April 22, 2018**.

AfricaRice is an equal opportunity employer. We believe that staff diversity promotes excellence in our operations and particularly welcome qualified applications from women, people living with disabilities and developing countries.

AfricaRice thanks all applicants but only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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