JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

FIELD OFFICER

The African Conservation Tillage Network (ACT) is seeking for a highly qualified Field Officer to support with field implementation of conservation agriculture project activities based at Ngorika, Nyandarua County in Kenya.

About ACT

The African Conservation Tillage Network (ACT) is a rapidly growing pan-African not-for-profit organisation built on and driven by the values and principles required to harness indigenous African “energies”, inspiration and commitment to lead and contribute to Africa’s own development. ACT brings together stakeholders dedicated to improving sustainable agricultural productivity. The organisation promotes and supports Conservation Agriculture (CA) adaptation and adoption, collecting and sharing scientific facts; and supports farmers and the creation of multi-stakeholder platforms to search for joint innovations.

Responsibilities

The Field Officer is accountable to the Program Officer – Kenya and is responsible for providing day to day support for effective implementation of the Climate Smart Farming Techniques (Conservation Agriculture) project activities in Ngorika area, Nyandarua County.

Specific Responsibilities include:

i. Effective implementation of the Climate Smart Farming Techniques (Conservation Agriculture) project activities in the project area.
ii. Prepare and update timely quarterly work plans and reports for the project activities for submission to the Program Officer
iii. Ensure project information data capture and processes, storage and analysis and information sharing of the Project experiences and lessons
iv. Undertake regular farmer training and backstopping activities at the demonstration sites and follow up of the demonstrations
v. Ensure gender equality and gender mainstreaming in all aspects of the activities
vi. Coordinate and organize field days and exhibitions/any event related to the programme based on the work plans and budget.
vii. Lead and manage the set-up and management of fodder demonstrations and trials in collaboration with partners.
viii. Ensure effective communication and maintain appropriate relationships with the stakeholders.
ix. Undertake any other duties as may be required by the Programme Officer or ACT Secretariat.
Qualifications

- Bachelor’s degree in Agriculture, Animal production/husbandry, Dairy management and agronomy or related fields.
- At least 5 years’ experience in project management/implementation support with bias to livestock production.
- Proven experience/knowledge on climate smart agriculture including conservation agriculture.
- Additional experience in M&E, community based project management approaches and fodder production.
- Familiarity with county governance and other related procedures.
- A strong background in gender equality and gender mainstreaming.
- Good inter-personal and team building skills.
- Training and facilitation skills.
- A valid driving license with motor cycle riding provision will be an added advantage.
- Willingness to travel within the project county.
- Excellent spoken and writing skills.

Terms and Conditions

- This is a nationally recruited position.
- The appointment will be for a period of six months with possibility for renewal based on performance and funding.

How to apply:

Submit your application including your letter of motivation, CV/résumé stating your salary expectation via e-mail not later than 28th January 2016 to: hr@act-africa.org. Only the short listed candidates will be contacted.

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