

Vacancy for Internship Ghana 'Light Assessment for categorising KKFU Primary Cooperatives'

Country: Ghana

Client: Kuapa Kokoo Cocoa Farmers cooperative and Marketing Union Ltd.

Period: : 1 July – 31 October, 2020

Deadline for application: 10th June

Number of students we need: 2



Who are we looking for?

A graduate or research student with a background in agribusiness or farmer led organisations management, economics, accounting, MBA or related field.

Context

Kuapa Kokoo Cocoa Farmers cooperative and Marketing Union Ltd. (KKFU) is made up of almost 100,000 members divided into 57 Primary Cooperative Societies which are spread in 6 out of the 7 cocoa districts in Ghana. It is arguably the biggest agricultural cooperatives in Ghana. The union wants to implement an input scheme at the society level to make them financially sustainable while making inputs easily accessible to its members. Ever since its existence, the union has not done any study to know the actual status in strength or weaknesses of its member cooperatives.

To know which societies can better implement the scheme, there is a need for a categorisation exercise which will help identify the current state and areas of improvement for all the 57 cooperatives.



The assignment

- Design a data collection tool (Modify Agriterra scoping tool)
- Develop a workplan for the assignment
- Field data collection and assessment
- Categorisation of cooperatives
- Report writing including recommendations
- Present results in a stakeholder workshop

Profile of the intern

Knowledge: Strong methodological knowledge of both quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis in a participatory research is required. Very good knowledge of the common MS Office programmes (Outlook, Word, Power Point), Excel or other data analysis software is a must.

Experience: Previous work experience from internships, student jobs and/or academic project. Experience in developing countries from internships or exchange semesters is a distinctive advantage.

Competences: Flexible individual with strong problem-solving and analytical skills self-motivated.

Language level: Fluency in English, both written and oral, is a prerequisite.

Application

Send your CV and a short letter of motivation to Agriterra vacancy@agriterra.org for the attention of Mr C.C. (Cees) van Rij, manager agri-advice.

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