ILRI National Coordinator (Ref. No. 2016)
Work Location: Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso

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CIFOR is looking for an

**ILRI National Coordinator**

**Overview**
The International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) aims to enhance the role of livestock in forging pathways out of poverty in developing countries. ILRI is a member of the CGIAR Consortium, a global network of 15 research centers working with many partners for a food-secure future. ILRI has two main campuses in Kenya and Ethiopia as well as other hubs in West Africa, Eastern and Southern Africa, South Asia, and East and Southeast Asia. More details are available at [www.ilri.org](http://www.ilri.org).

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ILRI is consolidating its research activities in Burkina Faso and therefore seeks to appoint a national coordinator for its office there, which serves as the institute’s regional hub for West Africa.

The Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), acting on behalf of ILRI, aims to recruit a suitably qualified person to fill this position. The relevant duties and selection criteria are as follows:

**Summary of responsibilities**
The successful candidate will perform the following duties:

1. Support and facilitate ILRI projects in Burkina Faso.
2. Engage with national counterparts and represent ILRI.
3. Ensure the smooth functioning of the office.
4. Coordinate with ILRI principal investigators, scientists and management regarding project implementation, partnerships/agreements, travel and visit arrangements, and other matters.
5. Provide support for resource mobilization.
6. Liaise with CIFOR to ensure that the hosting agreement between ILRI and CIFOR is implemented effectively.

Selection criteria
The successful candidate will possess the following:

**Education, knowledge and experience:**
- an advanced degree in animal science, social science, or agriculture
- five years of relevant professional experience
- a sound understanding of (i) livestock systems in Burkina Faso, (ii) research on development challenges and opportunities, and (iii) the role of livestock in achieving development objectives
- well-developed skills in organizing, facilitating and managing partnerships
- an established network of key livestock stakeholders, including government
- excellent command of English and French, both written and spoken

**Personal attributes and competencies:**
- ability to work with a high degree of autonomy, while showing initiative and good judgment
- ability and willingness to work under basic field conditions
- sound organizational skills and an ability to set priorities effectively under time pressure
- strong communication skills and an ability to interact effectively with people in a multidisciplinary and multicultural environment
- creative, flexible and able to respond to changing requirements as a team player.

**Terms and conditions**
- This is a Nationally Recruited Staff (NRS) position.
- CIFOR offers competitive remuneration in francs CFA (FCFA), commensurate with skills and experience.
- The appointment will be for a maximum of 50% of full time for one year, inclusive three months’ probation, with a possibility of extension contingent upon performance, continued relevance of the position and available resources.
- The duty station will be in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.

**Application process**
- The application deadline is 30 April 2020.
- We will acknowledge all applications, but will contact only short-listed candidates.

To apply, please send your letter of interest and CV, including contact information for three referees to: m.karambiri@cgiar.org and copy to ILRI-BurkinaFaso@cgiar.org

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