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Stakeholder Engagement with Evidence Specialist (Ref. No. 202377)

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CIFOR-ICRAF is looking for a:

Stakeholder Engagement with Evidence Specialist

Overview

The Stakeholder Engagement with Evidence and Process Specialist will be expected to lead and support work across multiple projects and countries to bring evidence and stakeholders together through strategic and inclusive engagement processes to inform decision-making for enhanced outcomes in natural resource management and sustainable development. The role will also engage in research and knowledge production linked to the engagement processes.

Summary of responsibilities

1. Design and project manage strategic stakeholder engagement processes including stakeholder mapping, facilitating consultation processes for strategic understanding of diverse stakeholders and their needs and priorities.
2. Run (and enhance) co-design processes using human centered design methods (largely for decision dashboards).
3. Co-design and facilitate workshops (both in-person and virtually) globally and at local and national levels.
4. Oversee structured engagement and strategic relationship building with various stakeholders over time.
5. Explore and bring in new engagement methods and processes, by expanding approaches to incorporate cutting edge pedagogy to the SHARED team.
6. Build capacity of engagement focal points in projects and country offices and develop and deliver training materials.
7. Liaise with other project ‘staff’ to build capacity and co-ordinate efforts around evidence needs and engagement.
8. Design and implement research around stakeholder engagement with evidence and contribute to scientific writing and co-author publications.
9. Writing and presenting to communicate outputs and outcomes of the work.
10. Understand and strategically design contextually appropriate evidence or interventions for specific project cases.

11. Analyze and synthesize evidence (data, case studies, local knowledge etc.) working with domain specialists so that it is accessible and can be used for project planning, targeting, monitoring and policy influence.

12. Other Responsibilities
   • Represent SPACIAL at meetings and SHARED events.
   • Contribute to policy engagement and influence work.
   • Support resource mobilization and contribute to funding proposals.
   • Present/communicate SHARED to internal and external audiences, including the donor.
   • Contribute to the Spatial Data Science & Applied Learning Lab (SPACIAL) team meetings.
   • Contribute to the wider CIFOR-ICRAF community.
   • Any other tasks related to the SPACIAL unit.

Requirements
   • Minimum of a Master’s degree in Agriculture, Environment, Natural Resources, Governance, Economics, Social science, or related field with an understanding of landscape management
   • At least 7 years’ experience working in research/development projects in the global south and in stakeholder engagement or facilitation across multiple countries
   • Policy engagement or policy impact work.
   • Project development, management, and budgeting experience.
   • Research synthesis for a policy or practice audience.
   • Minimum 5 years’ experience in facilitating, mediation of diverse spaces and contentious forums with government, civil society, or NGO actors, ideally around landscapes and resources.

Personal attributes and competencies:
   • Excellent written and oral communication skills in English including scientific writing skills.
   • Analytical approach and interest in data.
   • Team oriented values and proactivity.
   • Ability to use initiative and solve problems.
   • Excellent presentation skills.
   • Human centered design experience desirable.
   • Ability to speak and write French desirable.
   • Ability to work in a close and diverse team and work collaboratively but also to lead pieces of work.

Terms and conditions
   • This is a Globally Recruited position. CIFOR-ICRAF offers competitive remuneration in local currency commensurate with skills and experience.
   • The duty station will be in Nairobi, Kenya CIFOR-ICRAF Offices.

Application process
   Go to http://worldagroforestry.org/working-for-icraf/vacancies
   • A cover letter illustrating your suitability for the position against the listed requirements and salary expectations,
   • A detailed and updated curriculum vitae,
   • The names and addresses of three referees, including telephone and email addresses.
   • The application deadline is 20 January 2024.
   • We will acknowledge all applications but will only contact short-listed candidates.
   • Interviews expected in February with the selected applicant expected to start by June 2024.
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