# Expression of Interest: Consultant Roster – Specialists in Scaling Readiness, Publication Reporting Quality Assessment, Knowledge Graph technology, and AR4D Indicators.

## What we are seeking:

The CGIAR System Organization (CGIAR) seeks to establish a pre-approved roster of specialists in Scaling Readiness, Publication Reporting Quality Assessment, Knowledge Graph technology, and Agricultural Research for Development (AR4D) indicators. CGIAR is looking for talented and motivated specialists to work with the Program Unit to deliver a range of products and services in support of our current and future portfolio.

We seek specialists in the following areas:
- Scaling Readiness
- Publication reporting quality assessment
- Knowledge graph
- AR4D Indicators

Specialists can expect to work on improving the quality and utility of the CGIAR Results Dashboard https://www.cgiar.org/impact/results-dashboard/ and implementing the CGIAR Performance and Results Management Framework https://www.cgiar.org/how-we-work/accountability/legal-documents/

## Deliverables and timeline:

Qualified consultants will be placed on the roster for one year with a potential for two additional renewal years.  Work assigned to roster-based consultants will not exceed 180 days a year. There is no guarantee of work for consultants placed on the roster.

# Role descriptions

| Scaling Readiness - **Specialists** | Requirement |
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| <ul><li>Conceptual, technical and capability-oriented inputs to implementation of CGIAR Performance Framework.</li><li>Case study design & delivery</li></ul> | <ul><li>Masters/PhD degree in related field</li><li>Minimum 5 years' related experience</li><li>Demonstrated track record of delivering effective scaling solutions in AR4D field</li></ul> |

| Publication Reporting quality assessment – **Specialists** | Requirement |
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| <ul><li>Qualitative and quantitative data quality review against established criteria</li><li>Delivery of tools, processes and guidelines to ensure data is correct, documented, and standardized</li></ul> | <ul><li>Bachelor/Masters in related field.</li><li>Minimum of 3 years' experience working in Excel table analysis, data verification in the context of agricultural research and/or development projects.</li></ul> |

| Knowledge graph - **Specialists** | Requirement |
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| <ul><li>Design & deliver knowledge graph solutions in line with CGIAR Performance Framework implementation</li></ul> | <ul><li>Bachelor/Masters in related field.</li><li>Minimum of 3 years' experience working with knowledge graph, unstructured data, text mining, NLP & ML</li></ul> |

| AR4D Indicators – **Specialists** | Requirements |
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| <ul><li>Advisory services and solution delivery relating to agricultural research for development indicators</li></ul> | <ul><li>MSc, PhD in related field.</li><li>5+ years' experience in related field.</li><li>Demonstrated experience with AR4D indicator standards</li></ul> |

# Evaluation Criteria:

Roster applicants will be evaluated on the following criteria:
•Relevant experience
•Quality of work samples
•Satisfactory references

## Who we are:

CGIAR is a global research partnership for a food-secure future. CGIAR science is dedicated to reducing poverty, enhancing food and nutrition security, and improving natural resources and ecosystem services. Its research is carried out by 13 CGIAR Centers and Alliances in close collaboration with hundreds of partners, including national and regional research institutes, civil society organizations, academia, development organizations, and the private sector. These 13 Centers and Alliances have more than 10,000 staff based in over 50 countries.

In 2020, CGIAR embarked on an ambitious reform: One CGIAR. One CGIAR is a dynamic reformulation of CGIAR's partnerships, knowledge, assets, and global presence, aiming for greater integration in the face of the interdependent challenges facing today's world. It comprises (i) a sharper mission statement and impact focus to 2030, aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals; (ii) unified governance under a 'One CGIAR Common Board'; (iii) institutional integration, including more aligned management under an empowered Executive Management Team, common policies and services, and a unified country presence; (iv) a new research modality; as well as (v) more, and pooled, funding.

A key aspect of the transition to One CGIAR is institutional integration, including harmonization of CGIAR's policies and internal business services in Human Resources, Information Technology, Finance, Procurement, Communications and Resource Mobilization, and **Research Performance and Results Management**.

Please find more information about CGIAR at  www.cgiar.org

## How to submit an Expression of Interest:

Please submit the following as separate documents:

(1) A brief statement of no more than 2 pages of text a) identifying the category of interest, b) highlighting three examples of the type of service offered (for functional/image examples please provide links), c) Daily rate in USD. These rates will be applied for the full 12 months that the consultant is on the roster (rates can be renegotiated if the roster membership is extended).
(2) A CV including two references (no more than two pages)

**Please submit documents to** smo-bidding@cgiar.org.

Expressions of Interest (EOIs) will be reviewed and included in the roster on a rolling basis through the stated deadline. Only electronically submitted proposals will be considered. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. Please note: these consultancies are not designed for work of a continuing nature, or to lead to a staff position and as such, there should be no expectation of continued employment at the end of the contract.

All EOI must be received no later than 30 June 2021. Only electronically submitted proposals will be considered. Late proposals will not be considered.