

Rockefeller Foundation - Open Position

Associate Director Agriculture

Primary Responsibilities:	Associate Directors provide leadership support of programmatic Initiative work. They play a key role in finding, shaping, developing and implementing new Initiatives for the Foundation. They work under the direction of Managing Directors who manage Initiative teams and with other Associate Directors, research and support professionals to identify and understand global trends, issues, challenges and opportunities. They work with teams exploring for ideas, and they catalyze ideas and turn them into actionable Initiatives. They partner with evaluation professionals to learn from the work and incorporate lessons learned. This Associate Director position will focus on agriculture and the nexus of agriculture and climate change, including support for our work on climate smart rural development. Associate Directors must be able to lead work that ranges across multiple sectors, topics and fields. Their focus is to use the assets of the Rockefeller Foundation to have impact on the lives of poor and vulnerable people across the world.
Tasks Performed:	This AD position serves as a key contributor focused on various activities that support the foundation's work in agriculture and related climate changes activities. The AD works on Initiatives that have an emphasis on agricultural development – requiring knowledge of some or all of the following: agricultural science and technologies, agricultural markets and economics, food security policies and natural resources management. The AD position reports to the Managing Director who leads the Foundation's agricultural work around the world, including key partnerships such as the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa, and "climate smart" rural development. The AD works closely with the Managing Directors responsible for the Foundation's Regional Offices, and Climate Change Resilience Initiative, and other MDs as needed to ensure meaningful intersections across the Foundation's work.
Essential Functions:	* Designs and develops new program activities that flexibly respond to opportunities that are high impact and are responsive to need * Designs, initiates and executes an implementation strategy for various lines of work, as a member or leader of a team * Under the direction of the Team Leader, manages Initiative execution, by managing relationships of diverse grantees and funding partners * Works with program staff, grantees and partners to facilitate the flow of information, research, evaluation and learning toward results and impact * Represents the Foundation in diverse communities, including speaking engagements, attending conferences and participating in other key internal and external meetings * Partners with other Associate Directors and Managing Directors and Research Associates to ensure cross fertilization of Initiatives.
Desired Education:	Advanced Degree
Desired Degree:	PhD, MSc, or MA
Desired Major:	Disciplines relevant to agricultural development, economics, or other areas
Desired Job Experience:	* 10 plus years work experience in international agriculture, climate change, food policy, and development * Experience working in Africa and with African cultures helpful * Understanding of and experience working on the impacts of climate change helpful * Demonstrated experience in developing, managing and implementing multi-party projects with defined objectives, deliverables, monitoring and evaluation of results * International work experience – working across cultures and borders * Deep knowledge of developing countries * Strong networks into development and research organizations worldwide * Experience in managing/supervising personnel contributing to program scoping and delivery - consultants, researches, etc. * Experience with evaluative research methods * The ability to travel extensively (30-40%) both domestically and internationally.
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