

## Socioeconomics - Postdoctoral Fellow

The International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT), is seeking an innovative, self-motivated, scientifically outstanding candidate for a postdoctoral fellow position in socioeconomics. The position is initially available for one year with an opportunity for an extension, but may lead to a career path position for an outstanding scientist. The position will be based in Nairobi, Kenya and working in countries of East and Southern Africa.

### **We are seeking candidates with the following qualifications:**

- ✓ PhD in agricultural or development economics or related field.
- ✓ Excellent skills to collect, manage and analyze qualitative and quantitative socio-economic data (PRA, RRA, household surveys, market surveys).
- ✓ Knowledge of farm household survey methods, and analytical capacity in econometrics and mathematical programming.
- ✓ Good writing and oral skills in English.
- ✓ Ability to work in multicultural teams.
- ✓ Preferably at least 2 years of pre / post PhD research in the region on maize farming systems.
- ✓ Regional languages (Eastern/Southern Africa in particular) an advantage.

### **Principal Activities:**

- ✓ Supervise participatory community surveys and ensure quality data collection.
- ✓ Assemble secondary data from farming systems and countries in the region.
- ✓ Supervise household survey data collection, entry and processing.
- ✓ Support national economists to process and analyse and report on survey data.
- ✓ Contribute to the development of scenario analyses and analytical, mathematical, economic or simulation analyses.

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CIMMYT salaries for internationally recruited staff are highly competitive, with a range of benefits including housing allowance, life and health insurance package, education allowance (from KG to Grade 12), annual medical examination, and shipping allowance.

*CIMMYT is an equal-opportunity employer and strives for staff diversity in gender and nationality.*

Please send via e-mail your letter of application, **no later than October 15, 2006**, CV/Resume (including full contact information) with names and contact information of three references to:

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