UNIVERSITY OF MAURITIUS

VACANCY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of **Trainee Project Assistant** (**Full-Time**), to work on the DeSIRA project ('Development-Smart Innovation through Research in Agriculture Initiative', funded by the <u>European Union</u>). As part of the project, the selected candidate will work on the following Work Package: 'Advancement of Climate Smart Agricultural Technologies' more precisely on the '**Development of a Model Aquaponics Unit**', for a contractual period of **three** (3) months.

Qualifications Required

A good Hons degree in the field of Agriculture: BSc (Hons) Agricultural Science and Technology or any other related fields.

Profile

Candidates must have:

- Excellent written and verbal skills.
- Knowledge of field research, hydroponics/ aquaponics methods, and experimental design methods.
- Strong organisational skills.

Responsibilities and Duties

- Write up of project technical report;
- Provide technical support in the setting-up of appropriate infrastructures;
- Design and set up of crop experiments;
- Monitoring of experimental trials on a day-today basis;
- Collect and analyse data. using appropriate statistical tools/ methods; and
- Reporting regularly to project Investigator; and
- Other duties to support research activities.

Remuneration

A monthly all-inclusive allowance of Rs13, 000/-, plus travelling expenses by bus.

Duration of Contract

Appointment will be offered for a contractual period of three (3) months. The proposed starting date will be **23 Nov 2022**.

Mode of Application

Letter of application together with a detailed *Curriculum Vitae* and photocopies of qualifications, birth certificate, marriage certificate (if applicable), testimonials and equivalence of qualifications (where applicable) should reach the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture (Attention: N. Boodia), University of Mauritius, Réduit, or <a href="mailto:emailt

The envelope should be clearly marked "Trainee Project Assistant for the DeSIRA Project – WP 2: Development of a Model Aquaponics Unit' on the top right hand corner.

Applications received **after** the closing date will not be considered.

The University reserves the right:

- to call for interview only the most appropriately and best qualified applicants.
- not to make any appointment as a result of this advertisement.
- to conduct a written/aptitude test as and when required.

Dean, Faculty of Agriculture
Date: 03 November 2022