



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 **European Union**). 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 climate-smart agricultural practices under open-field and sheltered farming systems, including aquaponics**, for a contractual period of **six (6) months** (with the possibility of contract renewal for a further period of 3 months upon satisfactory performance).

Qualifications Required

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

Profile

Candidates must have:

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

Responsibilities and Duties

- Write up of Literature Review;
- Provide technical support in the setting-up of appropriate infrastructures;
- Design and set up of experiments;
- Monitoring of experimental trials;
- Collect data;
- Analyse data using appropriate statistical methods;
- Write regular update reports; 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 six (6) months. The proposed starting date will be **01 April 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 **email address** (n.boodia@uom.ac.mu) and copied to (deanfoa@uom.ac.mu) by **14 March 2022, 16:00 hours at latest**.

The envelope should be clearly marked "**Trainee Project Assistant for the DeSIRA Project – WP 2: Development of CSA practices and technologies**" 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: 28 February 2022