



World Vegetable Center

**Job
Announcement**
Research Officer III
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

The World Vegetable Center (WorldVeg) is a non-profit, autonomous international agricultural research center with headquarters in Taiwan and five regional offices around the globe. WorldVeg's research and development work focuses on breeding improved vegetable lines, developing and promoting safe production practices, reducing postharvest losses, and improving the nutritional value of vegetables. The center aims to raise awareness of the importance of vegetables for improved health and global poverty alleviation. For more information, please visit our website: worldveg.org.

The World Vegetable Center (WorldVeg) seeks to recruit a research officer (III) who will provide research support the Veggies 4 Planet & People Project in Ethiopia.

Key Responsibilities:

- Lead a participatory appraisal of existing vegetable business networks in different parts of the country
- Conduct baseline, mid-term, and end line evaluation studies of the project, using both quantitative and qualitative methods
- Facilitation of participatory monitoring and evaluation processes of vegetable business networks using regenerative agricultural technologies, post-harvest practices, and circular agri-business practices
- Monitoring and evaluation of vegetable seed supply systems in liaison with private seed companies
- Carry out profitability studies of vegetable production and vegetable businesses
- In liaison with stakeholders, colleagues and partners, promote innovation and processes that improve efficiencies in the vegetable value chains
- Promote youth and gender empowerment in vegetable business networks through implementing partners
- Document evidence and lessons learned into high quality documents or media for dissemination
- Liaise with Media Officer in Arusha and media partners to influence behavioural change of producers towards adoption of generative technologies and circular agri-business practices
- Interact with policy makers and produces research briefs to influence policy towards a more enabling environment for vegetable business networks and sustainable agricultural practices
- Prepare technical progress and other evaluation reports of scientific standards
- Facilitate partner meetings and learning events
- Perform any other related duties as may be required

Required Qualifications and Competencies (Technical and Behavioral)

- Masters degree in agri-business, socioeconomics or related discipline

Skills:

- Proven experience in participatory appraisals, qualitative and quantitative evaluation studies, baseline studies, and impact assessments
- Proven ability to extract evidence and lessons learned from evaluation exercises and turn these into high-quality documents for dissemination
- Proven experience in profitability studies
- Affinity with youth and women empowerment approaches, and planetary health
- Experience in policy dialogues, advocacy, and media use
- Experience with the commercial seed sector or research on seed systems

Duty Station: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Note: This is a Nationally Recruited Staff (NRS) position with competitive pay and benefits.

The candidate we hire will embody WorldVeg's Five Core Values:

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| 1. <i>Dedication to Innovation and Knowledge Sharing</i> | Supports the conduct of world-class science, respects ethical standards, and is committed to transparently sharing results. |
| 2. <i>Commitment to Impact</i> | Aspires to achieve positive, tangible, and lasting impact contributing to Sustainable Development Goals. |
| 3. <i>Commitment to Partnerships</i> | Believes in the value of partnerships to advance research for development. |
| 4. <i>Respect for People</i> | Respect the diversity of gender, culture, ethnic origin, religion, age, beliefs, and views. |
| 5. <i>Respect for the Environment</i> | Strives to minimize its environmental impact and to introduce greener technology and practices. |

How to Apply: Applicants should submit a letter of application explaining their suitability for and interest in the position along with a curriculum vitae in English, a recent passport-size photograph, names and addresses (including telephone and e-mail) of three referees, and date of availability to <http://ilri.simplicant.com/> or the job bank site on or before **19 June 2025**. Please mention the position title in the subject line.