



**Vacancy Announcement:
Research Technician for Weed Science
Ref: GSS/004/DAR/January 2010**

The Africa Rice Center (AfricaRice, ex-WARDA) seeks a highly qualified individual to fill the position of **Research Technician for Weed Science** at the General Support Staff (GSS) level at its regional East and Southern Africa station, Dar es Salaam (Tanzania).

The successful candidate will provide technical, administrative and program support to the Weed Scientist.

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Africa Rice Center (AfricaRice) is an autonomous intergovernmental research association of African member states. AfricaRice is also one of the 15 international agricultural research Centers supported by the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR). AfricaRice believes that diversity in its staff promotes excellence in its operations, and encourages applications from women and nationals of developing countries. AfricaRice's regional East and Southern Africa office is based in Dar es Salaam Tanzania. Dar es Salaam, offers excellent living conditions for AfricaRice staff.

Position: Research Technician for Weed Science
Salary Grade: GSS – G 4.

Responsibilities

- Support the program agenda related to Weed Science, including monitoring and supervising of research activities in different countries
- Setting up a physical and digital herbarium of important weed species
- Assisting of students and NARS collaborators
- Plan, implement and monitor weed research activities
- Undertake any other duties as the Weed Scientist shall require

Criteria, Qualification and Experience

The successful candidate will have:

- An African nationality
- An BSc. degree in biological/agricultural sciences (preferably in botany, weed sciences or agronomy)
- Experience in experimental research, farmer surveys or farmer participatory approaches
- Knowledge and experience in plant species determination
- Ability to work under pressure, and to work in a multicultural and multidisciplinary environment requiring good interpersonal and communication skills
- Capacity to conduct independent work and produce reliable results
- A high degree of professional motivation, flexibility, initiative, drive, reliability and willingness to learn and develop new skills

Application procedure:

Send by e-mail or post, (Subject: Weed Science RT application) a detailed CV with a cover letter and the names and addresses of three referees (including telephone, fax

number and e-mail addresses) to:

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P.O. Box 33581,

Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania,

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E-mail: p.chundu@cgiar.org / j.rodensburg@cgiar.org (Subject: Weed Science RT application)

N.B.: Applications should include detailed CV + one (01) page of your personal data: Family name, first name, sex, date of birth, complete address, marital status, nationality, highest degree/diploma, number of years of relevant work experience for the position, ability to master AfricaRice working languages (English/French).

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

Applications will be considered until **26 February 2010**.