

## SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE RESEARCH INTERN

We are seeking a promising and self-motivated Sustainable Agriculture Research Intern to support the long-term growth and success of Conservation International's work in the Asia-Pacific Field Division for a period of 3-6 months. The intern will have the opportunity to work alongside Conservation International's team in the Philippines to support sustainable agriculture efforts related to both the supply of, and demand for, sustainable commodities.

The Conservation International University Internship Program is open to undergraduate or Master's level students in local universities reading Earth Systems Science, Supply Chain Management, Environmental Management, Business Administration or Economics, or related fields.

### **About Conservation International**

Conservation International works to spotlight and secure the critical benefits that nature provides to humanity. Since our inception in 1987, we've helped to protect more than 6 million square kilometers of land and sea across more than 70 countries. Currently with offices in 29 countries and 2,000 partners worldwide, our reach is truly global. Building upon a strong foundation of science, partnership, and field demonstration, Conservation International empowers societies to responsibly and sustainably care for nature, our global biodiversity, for the well-being of humanity.

In Singapore, Conservation International envisions a vibrant, resilient and sustainable city for generations to come and aims to empower the community to protect nature through individual and collective action. Conservation International Singapore's country program is focused on community engagement and education, capacity building through student internships, and exploring and supporting innovative solutions for conservation science and research.

### **Conservation International Values**

We expect that all employees will embrace the values of our organization:

- **Passion:** Inspired by people and by nature, we are urgently compelled to drive change for a sustainable future.
- **Integrity:** We are honest, transparent and accountable for our actions.
- **Teamwork:** We work together as one CI, recognizing that inclusion, collaboration and cooperation are fundamental to achieving a healthy and prosperous world for all.
- **Respect:** We respect each other and work to earn trust, valuing our diversity of cultures, talents, and experiences.
- **Courage:** We pursue our vision, taking bold action, persevering and overcoming challenges.
- **Optimism:** We are optimistic about the capacity of people to be caring, generous and brilliant, and believe that with partners, we can inspire humanity to create a better future.

## **Location**

Singapore (remote-working)

Must have stable and secure internet access for work.

## **About the Project**

Conservation International's work on sustainable agriculture involves efforts related to both the supply of, and demand for, sustainable commodities. This includes working closely with small and large-scale producers on the implementation of best practices as well as with market actors on the development and implementation of sustainable and responsible sourcing strategies.

Conservation International's partnerships with governments, private sector, communities, and other local stakeholders on sustainable land use supports the promotion of healthy ecosystems, the conservation and protection of key landscapes, and capacity building and livelihood opportunities for the local stakeholders living in these landscapes.

## **About the Role**

The intern will support CI's efforts related to conservation, communities, and natural climate solutions for a priority project. Specifically, the intern will play a key role in identifying, and defining solutions to, drivers of land conversion within the project's landscape to further support project strategies related to land use management and stakeholder engagement.

Working with the Director for Sustainable Agriculture based in Singapore and colleagues across the Asia-Pacific, the intern will provide support in the following areas:

- Mapping of value chains and market actors (agriculture, mining, etc.) that drive land use changes within, and/or important to, target landscapes.
- Researching and mapping of policy commitments, or lack of, (sourcing/procurement, global commitments to deforestation, etc.) of local and international actors within/relevant to target landscapes.
- Conduct research on commodities, commodity supply chains, land use changes, related stakeholders (e.g. smallholders, private sector actors), trade flows, etc.
- Develop a strategic engagement roadmap for implementation across the project's lifespan using data obtained from the research.
- Contribute to activities that help promote, and strengthen, sustainable land use and management for actors within/across the landscape.

## **Qualifications**

- Current enrolment in a Singapore university (or gap year), reading an undergraduate or Master's degree with a focus on Earth Systems Science, Supply Chain Management specializing in tropical agriculture, Environmental Management, Business Administration or Economics with a focus on sustainability, or related fields.
- Strong research capabilities.

### **Desirable Qualities**

- Interest in sustainable commodities.
- Interest in corporate/private sector.
- Experience working in/with the Philippines.
- Independent thinker and worker and self-motivated.
- Team player.
- Advanced analytical and critical skills.
- Statistical and graphical analysis of data.
- Knowledge in Tableau is advantageous.

### **Benefits**

The intern will be provided with a monthly stipend of SGD 1,000 for a 5-day work week.

### **Application**

To be considered for this internship, please apply to [singapore@conservation.org](mailto:singapore@conservation.org) with the subject “**Application: Sustainable Agriculture Research Intern – [full name]**” and the following attachments:

1. Curriculum vitae.
2. Cover letter, which should include the applicant’s interest in working with Conservation International’s field programs in the Asia-Pacific and any relevant experience working in an NGO or environmental conservation setting.
3. Period of availability.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an interview.