Description

The International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) seeks a qualified candidate to serve as Research Fellow/Senior Research Fellow (RF/SRF) for a two-year, fixed-term, renewable appointment in the Director General’s Office. This position will report to the Chief of Staff, under the overall guidance of the Director General.

IFPRI’s 2013-2018 Strategy (http://www.ifpri.org/publication/ifpri-strategy-2013-2018) has identified ‘Building Resilience’ as one of its six strategic research areas. In 2014, IFPRI convened an international conference on “Building Resilience for Food and Nutrition Security” and subsequently organized a workshop to further advance the research agenda on resilience (http://www.2020resilience.ifpri.info/). IFPRI now aims to develop an integrated resilience research program that will help fill important gaps in resilience research, set benchmarks for achieving resilience at various levels, and help policymakers and practitioners evaluate, design, and implement policies, programs, and investments for successfully building resilience to multiple shocks including economic, environmental, and social shocks that adversely impact on food and nutrition security.

The RF/SRF will be based at IFPRI headquarters in Washington, DC, and will be expected to travel internationally. Grade level will be determined by demonstrated expertise and experience.

Essential Duties:

Conceptualization and Coordination (30%)

Facilitate a shared clear vision for the resilience research area among IFPRI’s divisions and the two CGIAR Research Programs led by the Institute

Shape an innovative research area that can bring evidence to bear on policies and programs to strengthen resilience for food and nutrition security

Develop, implement, and coordinate the resilience research area, including providing intellectual and management leadership

Link to and collaborate with internal and external partners and stakeholders on developing policy-relevant and program-relevant research portfolio within the scope of the resilience research area

Coordinate work plans, reporting, monitoring, and impact evaluation among the emerging projects/activities in this research area

Represent the resilience research area externally, liaising with other research or academic partners, policy organizations, nongovernmental organizations, and resilience coalitions

Research (50%)

Participate in existing and new research projects on resilience
Publish and/or co-publish new policy- and program-relevant research to address knowledge gaps/research needs that exist, or emerge, across the resilience area

**Resource Mobilization, Partnerships, and Communications (20%)**

Work closely with the Chief of Staff and Management Team to set priorities for and mobilize adequate resources to grow the resilience research area

Forge strategic partnerships with traditional and nontraditional partners

**Required Qualifications:**

PhD in a food-policy related field such as economics, nutrition/health, environment, agriculture, public policy, etc.

5+ years of post-PhD experience relevant to the job

Demonstrated leadership in developing significant resilience-or vulnerability-related research or programmatic activities

Strong publication record, with work related to resilience, vulnerability, or shocks

Demonstrated experience with resource mobilization and/or with fostering partnerships that cut across disciplines

Excellent written and spoken English communication skills with demonstrated excellence in written and oral presentations

Willingness to travel internationally

[http://ch.tbe.taleo.net/CH13/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=IFPRI&cws=37&rid=1459&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A=ifprijobs+%28Employment+opportunities+at+IFPRI%29](http://ch.tbe.taleo.net/CH13/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=IFPRI&cws=37&rid=1459&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A=ifprijobs+%28Employment+opportunities+at+IFPRI%29)