Call for internships in low-emissions agriculture projects
Roles of the visiting student and supervisor at host institution

- Each Carbon Sequestration Fellowship recipient will work directly with a research supervisor at the host institution. The activities to be conducted by the student and a budget for the scientific visit will be agreed upon between the student and research supervisor in a contract.

- Each student should contribute to a project at the host institution in a way that builds their skills and ideally leads to a collaborative publication and contributes to their Master or PhD thesis. Skills may include, for example, lab and field work, modeling, writing science and policy publications, data visualization, presentations, project management and team collaboration.

- The supervisor should communicate with the student about the support the student will receive during the research stay. For instance, the student should know whether they are modeling, working in the lab or field, or all of the above.

Regular communication

- There must be a supervisor at the host institution who sees the student regularly. Regular communication in both directions is a feature of successful past experiences and promotes progress toward research objectives of both parties.

Use of grant award

- Carbon Sequestration Fellowship awards are managed by The Alliance. Grant money should be used to finance the short-term scientific visit, including travel (flight tickets allocated by Alliance), housing, meals, and research materials and services (if the student requires additional materials or services beyond those required by the host center project). Funding is not to be used for tuition, fees, or unrelated personal costs.

Logistics and housing

- The student and research supervisor will agree on dates for the research stay. The student is responsible for arranging visas, flights, lodging, etc., with assistance from the host institution as necessary. The supervisor must be willing to assist with documentation for visas, if needed. Depending on the location, the student will stay at the research center or nearby (if apartments can be rented, etc.).

- Carbon Sequestration Fellowship research stays are expected to be a maximum of four months students and supervisors are welcome to extend the stay by mutual agreement if additional funding is available to support a longer stay.
Related opportunities for students

- The Alliance will organize webinars, a workshop and other activities for capacity building, professional experience, or communications of their research results to give all Carbon Sequestration Fellowship students a chance to share research and their experiences with each other.

- Carbon Sequestration Fellowship students are not expected to use their award for travel to the workshop.

Zero tolerance of discrimination, harassment and misconduct

- Carbon Sequestration Fellowship strictly prohibits discrimination against, and harassment based on an individual’s race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, handicap, familial status, or national origin.

- Carbon Sequestration Fellowship also prohibits sexual harassment and sexual misconduct, which includes attempted and completed acts of sexual assault, relationship violence, and sexual exploitation.

In case of problems

- The student and the supervisor should discuss any problems that may arise.

- Upon the student’s arrival, the supervisor should also introduce the student to a member of the human resources team at the host institution in case contact with a third person is necessary.

- The host or the student should contact: CarbonSequestrationFellowship@cgiar.org in case of problems that are not quickly resolved.

All enquiries relating to this call for expressions of interest should be directed to: CarbonSequestrationFellowship@cgiar.org

More information

- Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT

ANNEX: PROJECT TEMPLATE (In case you will be selected)

1. Project title.
2. Brief project outline (200-250 words) – including links to the Alliance research groups, flagships, projects, or other activities.
3. Host institution and location.
4. Project leader / research supervisor (name, title, affiliation, and email).
5. Estimated grant amount for visiting student (between 10,000-12,000 USD; estimated based on living costs at and travel to host institution).
6. Preferred dates for research visit, between May and December for 4 months (must be before end of 2023).