

Transforming Investments in African Rainfed Agriculture (TIARA) 2023

Terms of Reference (ToR) for an intern to be based at the Africa Regional Centre of SIWI, South Africa

The [Stockholm International Water Institute](#), SIWI is a water institute which leverages knowledge and convening power to strengthen water governance for a just, prosperous and sustainable future. SIWI implements and participates in development projects around the world and arranges the annual World Water Week.

This ToR is intended as a reference for a paid internship work to support SIWI's Africa Regional Centre in South Africa, Pretoria, on the [Transforming Investments in African Rainfed Agriculture \(TIARA\)](#) project focused on advocacy and attracting finance to farmers in the Zambezi watercourse. TIARA is an advocacy initiative working on the basis that over 95% of food production in sub-Saharan Africa relies on rainfed agriculture, yet only 5% of public agricultural water investments support rainfed agriculture.

Working closely with the TIARA team, the recent graduate or post graduate intern would be expected to work remotely on and have interest on the topics of climate smart agriculture, benefits of green water management, climate change, water security, water governance, transboundary water management, environmental conservation, development and SDGs. The intern will contribute to implementing the Rainfed Agriculture Finance and Investment Forum (among other dialogue platforms) and undertake research activities related to the TIARA initiative.

Our initiative is working with local partner organizations across the Zambezi basin to develop the business case of how financial support to farmers through investing in rainfed agriculture can significantly improve food security along with soil and water conservation. Watch our short [film *Catching Raindrops in Africa*](#) created to promote Africa's frontline water managers!

Work tasks

Under the supervision of the TIARA project team, the intern shall:

- Gather information on land, soil and water conservation efforts in the Zambezi River basin and the African continent.
- Support stakeholder engagement efforts and target sector audiences, and engagement toward increased participation in TIARA dialogue platforms.
- Assess current reports.
- Gather input from internal and external reviewers of concept notes,
- Draft PowerPoint presentations of content for dialogue platforms,
- Support logistics, editing, layout/design and print and communication and dissemination strategy work.
- Compile performance and participation analysis (surveys) and support drafting of post event reporting.
- Make recommendations for additional work.
- Additional work tasks, or alterations of the above instructions, may be required. If so, it will be communicated by the TIARA project team. In all cases, the intern shall have a close dialogue with the project team during the entire work period.

The information gathered shall provide the basis for the rainfed agriculture finance and investment forum. The information shall be gathered from existing information in the public domain, primarily accessible via websites and from meetings with stakeholders.

Time frame and Location

The work shall be carried out remotely during a three to six-month period in March and August.

The candidate must reside within South Africa and is expected to attend on-site monthly meetings at the SIWI Africa regional centre in Pretoria.

Requirements

Recent graduate or current enrolment in a university post graduate program leading to a degree in water management, ecology, agriculture, environmental sciences/studies, development studies or a related discipline.

A keen and hard-working individual who can work as part of a team and ability to work independently.

Experience of the Southern Africa region and African continent.

Application

An application including a motivational letter of no more than one page and a CV should be sent to SIWI Africa Regional Centre at xanani.baloyi@siwi.org no later than **3 March 2023**.

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