



Co-operative Development
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Volunteer Opportunity

Microinsurance Researcher

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Location: Makassar, South Sulawesi, Indonesia

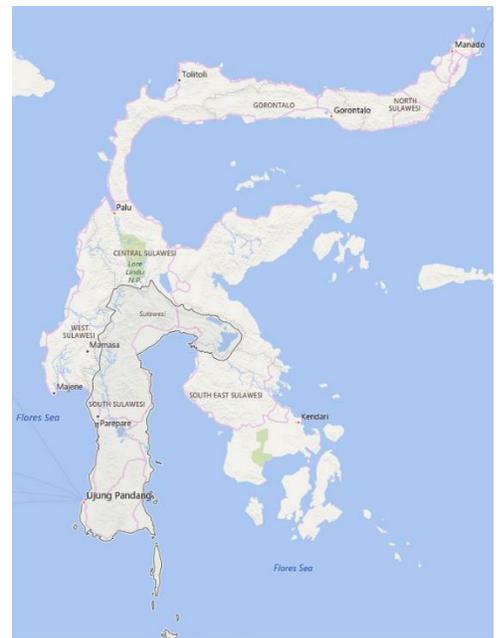
Start Date: 2019 (exact timing will be negotiated with the successful candidate)

Duration: 2 months minimum (exact duration will be negotiated with the successful candidate)

Language Requirement: English

The Project

INVEST Co-op Indonesia project is part of a four-year (2015-2019) multi-country Project bringing sustainable economic growth to women and men small producers through the Integrated Co-operative Model. The Project is funded by Global Affairs Canada (GAC) with contribution from the Co-operative Development Foundation of Canada (CDF Canada). In Indonesia, INVEST Co-op is introducing aquaculture practices that are resilient to climate change and increase quality and yield of production. Support is also being provided to farmers to improve access to financial services and markets through their co-operatives. By training the co-operatives in the seven basic principles (in alignment with the International Co-operative Alliance ICA), the project aims to enable co-operatives to be profitable, sustainable, and to run gender-equitable businesses by strengthening their institutional capacity to serve their members better. Aquaculture microinsurance will also be developed to protect the farmers against financial impact of losses due to weather disturbances. Activities will promote collaboration with governments, private companies, business associations, research institutions, and other stakeholders to strengthen networks and create a conducive environment.



Our Partner

Kospermindo is a co-operative enterprise established in 1999 with a vision to become the prominent trade centre for seaweed in the world. It began providing coaching and training to their seaweed farmers with an industrial cluster approach in 2002 and now operates in 12 locations throughout South Sulawesi, one location in Central Sulawesi, and one location in East Kalimantan. Kospermindo is the first organization authorized by the Ministry of Trade's Commodity Futures Trading Regulatory Agency (CoFTRA) to implement a warehouse receipt system for seaweed commodity in Indonesia.

PT Asuransi Central Asia and is one of the five most important Indonesian insurance agencies, with 36 branch office and 34 representative offices around Indonesia. It has a branch office in Makassar and one of the leaders in developing microinsurance products in the country.

Your Role and the Assignment in Brief

As a volunteer, you will be working in close coordination with ACA Asuransi and Kospermindo. You will be based in ACA Asuransi office, located in Makassar, South Sulawesi's capital city. Makassar was the gateway to eastern Indonesia for centuries, and it was from here that the Dutch controlled much of the trade that passed between the West and the East.

In close coordination with staff of ACA Asuransi and Kospermindo, you are expected to conduct in-depth primary and secondary research on other forms of insurance products that help the low-income men and women aquaculture farmers in South Sulawesi including their family members to immediately bounce back when crisis occurs. The study will analyze the size of the market and provide recommendations on insurance products that meet the needs of the target groups.

Essential Qualifications

- Previous experience in insurance market and industry analysis
- Higher education degree in insurance, marketing or relevant field
- Creative thinker with data-driven analytical aptitude.
- Excellent communication skills (verbal and written).
- Understanding and/or interest of the socio-economic context in Asia.

Terms and Conditions

This is a voluntary assignment. CDF Canada supports volunteers through the provision of a comprehensive package designed to cover a modest and healthy lifestyle, while allowing for effectiveness in the placement:

- Return international and domestic airfare.
- Ground transportation.
- Accommodation.
- Meal and incidental allowance.
- Visa-related costs (if needed).
- Travel insurance.
- Vaccination-related costs (if needed).
- Dedicated interpreter/translator (if needed and depending on the position and duration of the assignment).
- Pre-departure support and orientation.
- Support and orientation during the assignment.
- Debriefing upon completion of assignment.

E-volunteering

Depending on the nature of the placement, volunteers are encouraged to provide **e-volunteering** support to our local partners or CDF Canada before or after their placement. Volunteers also have the option of requesting support from an e-volunteer to help them with their work while they are in placement.

Engaging Canadians

CDF Canada provides technical and logistical support to young and experienced professionals through volunteer assignments to apply and gain new skills and knowledge in international co-operative development. We ask each volunteer, regardless of placement duration, to share her/his experience during and/or upon completion of their assignment either in the country of assignment and in Canada. Experience may be shared through providing human interest stories and photographs that can be used for social media outreach; participating in organized talks at universities or other public engagement activities to share and tell their experiences to motivate others.

Application Process

Please submit a resume and letter to apply@cdfcanada.coop You must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident. Successful candidates will be required to obtain a police-check from their local police/RCMP detachment. All applicants are thanked for their interest in CDF Canada; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.