

Internship, Investing in Sustainable Food Systems in Africa

Nairobi, Kenya

Level4International is seeking an energetic, quality oriented, professional intern. We value our interns and want to invest in and mentor future leaders who will grow personally and professionally and create an impact in the sector. As a valued member of the team, you will have the chance to contribute to our initiatives through engaging, meaningful work assignments.

Program Details

- This position is open to college graduate students only.
- A cover letter is required and CV.
- The 2024 summer program will run for at least 11 weeks between May and August 2024.
- This position will be based in Nairobi with either a hybrid or remote schedule.

Stipend: \$1000/month

Expenses: Travel expenses to and in Nairobi will not be covered. Any expenses incurred for the work conducted will be covered based on prior authorization.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

- Conduct landscape research on food system actors and initiatives contributing to the team's
 development hypothesis and strategy. Focus areas include school nutrition, consumer and
 institutional food procurement, and regenerative agriculture.
- Track and synthesize key policy and regulatory developments related to the evolving strategy and business plan.
- Support the team in preparing issue briefs, drafting internal and external presentations, and collecting data to inform evaluation and direction-setting.
- Draft two blogs on investing in sustainable food and agricultural supply chains in Africa for joint publication.
- Review and synthesize academic and grey literature related to the team's strategy and learning questions.
- Engage with and help track deliverables, and impact metrics, for technical reporting.
- Update website and social media accounts weekly.

Education, Experience, and Skills

- Recently graduated or currently enrolled in a graduate program in one of the following areas: food systems, business, impact investments, policy, sustainability, organizational development, climate change or a related field.
- Strong research and analytical capabilities and excellent written communication skills; able to synthesize research and data to guide communications, proposals and strategy.
- Knowledge of the intersection of food systems and climate change, including a range of food systems solutions for advancing climate mitigation and resilience.
- Collaborative, innovative, eager to learn, and interested in how foundations create and implement strategies working alongside a diverse set of partners.

- Previous work experience in Africa, the food and agricultural sectors, startup, philanthropy, public policy/advocacy, or communications and marketing preferred.
- Must be a proactive self-starter and self-directed.

Qualifications and Competencies

- Bias for Action: Takes on new opportunities and tough challenges with a sense of urgency, high energy, and enthusiasm.
- **Communicates Effectively**: Develops and delivers multi-mode communications that convey a clear understanding of the unique needs of different audiences.
- Decision Quality: Makes good and timely decisions that keep the organization moving forward.
- **Plans and Aligns**: Plans and prioritizes work to meet commitments aligned with organizational goals.
- **Values Differences**: Recognizes the value of different perspectives and commits to inclusion, equity, and diversity in every aspect of work.

At Level4 International, we blend expertise and innovation to catalyze and facilitate organizational change and growth, bringing businesses to new heights. Our boutique consulting firm specializes in providing tailored solutions for African and global organizations to improve the sustainability and impact of value distribution in supply chains and leverage strategic investment.

We assist and support our clients to navigate the African food and agriculture landscape with inclusivity, integrity, and sustainability, fostering economic development and contributing to global sustainability goals.

Level4International is a trail-blazing, disruptive, trend-setting boutique consulting firm catalyzing transformational change towards sustainable growth, impact at the last mile and excellence for food and agricultural businesses in Africa and globally.