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## **Consultancy opportunity**

### **Development of an investment plan for wheat production and marketing in Southern Africa**

Southern Africa is a net importer of wheat. As urbanization and incomes of the middle class increase, wheat consumption also increases, leaving a big gap between production and consumption needs. The deficit has to be met through imports. Only about 30% of the demand for wheat is met from local production; the rest (70%) is imported. Despite this huge difference between local production and consumption, the region has some significant potential for production of wheat.

CCARDESA and CIMMYT are implementing a project whose overall goal is to contribute to food security and reduce the wheat import bills of the countries in Southern Africa. CCARDESA would like to engage a consultant to carry out a detailed analysis of the current wheat investment opportunities in Southern Africa and subsequently compile a review paper on **justification for investment in wheat production and marketing in Southern Africa**.

To accomplish this task, CCARDESA is seeking the services of an experienced expert with the following key qualifications and skills:

1. a minimum of MSc degree in Agricultural Economics or a closely related field;
2. minimum of 10 years working experience in agriculture and carrying out similar assignments;
3. Experience and knowledge of the wheat value chain;
4. good understanding of the potential of wheat production in Southern Africa;
5. experience in development of agricultural investment plans; and
6. Good writing skills

Submit your CV of not more than 8 pages to [registry@ccardesa.org](mailto:registry@ccardesa.org) with a copy to [gsalima@ccardesa.org](mailto:gsalima@ccardesa.org)

Deadline for submission of CVs is **13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2017:**