

Head, MENA Region Cairo, Egypt

The International Water Management Institute (IWMI) is a non-profit, scientific research organization focusing on the sustainable use of water and land resources in developing countries. IWMI's mission is to provide evidence-based solutions to sustainably manage water and land resources for food security, people's livelihoods and the environment.

The International Water Management Institute (IWMI) is looking for a highly motivated research leader with exceptional capacity and a deep understanding of water, land and agricultural development challenges and opportunities in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region. The Head of IWMI's MENA Region will represent the Institute, and raise its profile and visibility in the region. The individual will develop/review a subregional-level strategy based on development challenges/priorities in the MENA region, and ensure that it is in line with IWMI's global research strategy. He/She will maintain strong links with national and international partners to ensure effective uptake of IWMI's research outputs. In addition, the Head will lead and undertake research to achieve IWMI's goals, and take responsibility for the smooth running of the office by overseeing office administration, and financial and technical support functions. The position holder will be based in Cairo, Egypt, and report to the Director, Africa, in relation to duties within the position, and to the Theme Leader on research functions.

We are looking for candidates with a PhD or equivalent in environmental or other engineering, with a specialization in water quality and safe reuse, irrigation systems management, irrigation engineering, soil science or social science, and at least 10 years of relevant work experience. Candidates having the capacity to work with, and influence, stakeholders, especially senior decision makers at national and regional levels, and to liaise with key donor agencies; and possessing strong interpersonal skills, and the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with co-workers, managers and other stakeholders in a multicultural setting, with sensitivity and respect for diversity are encouraged to apply.

This is an internationally recruited position with a competitive salary and benefits package, which includes a housing allowance, transport, education, shipping assistance, annual home leave, retirement and health insurance package. The duration of the contract will initially be for a three-year period with possible extension.

For a detailed job description and to apply for the position, visit www.iwmi.org/jobs. Your application must include a copy of your curriculum vitae, cover letter which addresses IWMI's requirements stated above, and contact information of three professional referees who may be contacted if you are short-listed for the position.

Applications must be submitted by 24:00 (Colombo time) on October 21, 2016 (Friday).

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IWMI is an equal opportunity employer and emphasizes the importance of regional and gender diversity in identifying candidates for this position and its staff more generally.

