Call for interest

Consultant (Soil expert) for sampling of soils on trial site of the EU-INNOVAR project Duration: 20 hours

Project context:
The INNOVAR project is a cooperation between 21 partners and is led by the Agrifood and Biosciences Institute (AFBI) from Belfast. INNOVAR will test a novel concept to introduce innovations in variety testing using data science, genomics, phenomics and machine learning. ISRIC contributes to INNOVAR with acquisition, management and analyses of data on the environment (weather, soils) at INNOVAR trial sites to be included in variety testing. ISRIC seeks involvement of consultants to do the sampling of soils at a trial site (see locations indicated below) at 6 randomized locations on the trial site and at two standard depths.

Duty Responsibilities:
Sampling of the soil at the trial site.
We are seeking experts for performing this duty at (one of the following) locations:

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The expert will:
- Sample the soil profile at six randomized locations over the trial site (indicated by GPS) and take soil samples at two standard depths on those locations.
- Handle the samples such that they are dried, labelled and packaged for transport
- Collaborate with the INNOVAR trial site manager (and work within the rules of work that apply on the trial site)
- Collaborate with the ISRIC team to coordinate the field work, sample collection and the sample shipment

Organizational competencies required:
- Conscientious worker
- Sensitive to the working environment of experimental sites
- Follow protocols set for the task

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Qualifications requirements:
The expert will have proven experience in the field of sampling soils.
In view of costs for travel, the expert will have residence within the area of the trial site (maximum of 6 hours travel).
The expert is proficient in English and the national language of the trial site.

Application information
Interested candidates should send their Curriculum Vitae to maria.ruiperezgonzalez@isric.org and before **August 15, 2022.** Candidates will indicate for which of the sites they apply and include their actual hourly rate (excl. VAT) and expected travel costs. Candidates may be required to participate in an online interview.