

## 2021 CRAWFORD FUND FELLOWSHIP

## **Terms and Conditions**

**Aim:** The Fellowship aims to provide further training to a scientist from a developing country whose work in the field of agriculture, fisheries, forestry, agribusiness or natural resource management has shown significant potential. The training shall take place at an Australian agricultural institution and the training will emphasise the application of knowledge to increased agricultural productivity in the recipient's home country.

**The Fellowship:** The successful recipient shall spend up to three months at an Australian institution, or group of Institutions, receiving further relevant training in research, development and/or extension. The training shall have direct relevance to the needs of the recipient's home country.

**Eligibility:** The Fellowship is open to citizens of, or people working in selected developing countries. The nominated countries may change with time. In 2021 the countries selected are: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, East Timor, Fiji, Indonesia, Laos, Myanmar, Nepal, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Kiribati, Vanuatu or Vietnam. Nominees will be actively engaged in the practice of some aspect of agricultural research or extension for development, and may be undertaking formal postgraduate study. The successful recipient will be below the age of 35 years on 1 January in the year of the Fellowship Award, 2021.

**Frequency of the Award:** The Fellowship shall be offered annually and shall not be offered if in the opinion of the selection committee no suitably qualified candidate is available.

Entitlements and Responsibilities of the Recipient: The recipient shall be entitled to a return economy airfare to and from Australia, graduate student standard accommodation and subsistence during the tenure of the Fellowship, and comprehensive medical insurance for the period of the Fellowship. The recipient shall be required to return to his/her home country at the end of the Fellowship. The recipient shall be required to submit to the Chief Executive Officer of the Crawford Fund, within one month of completing the Fellowship, a written report summarising the training activities undertaken, and indicating potential benefits from the training to the recipient's home country including an outline of plans for applying the knowledge gained in the recipient's home country to increase agricultural production. The recipient should also comment on aspects of the Fellowship that may benefit future recipients.

**COVID-19 Implications:** while the Fellowship will be awarded in 2021, travel will not be possible unless it complies with DFAT Travel advice for safety and health purposes. The budget for the Fellowship will not cover the cost of quarantining prior to travel restrictions being lifted.

**Public Awareness Activities**: The recipient may be required to assist the Fund in public awareness activities related to their Fellowship. This may include the writing of a blog for our website, posts for our social media channels, providing photos while training is underway, and undertaking video or media interviews.

**Nominations:** Late or self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominations for the award should be made by at least two persons with experience in agriculture and who have a good knowledge of the nominee's background. The nominations must include the nominee's full name and title, contact details, education qualifications, and professional experience. Any special aspects to the advantage of the candidate should be included. The nominators should provide an indication of their knowledge of the nominee's fluency in English. Nominations are confidential. Nominations **must** be made on the online application form with all required attachments. Nominations must be received at the Crawford Fund Central Office by the closing date given on the application form – Close of Business AEST 17.00 on Wednesday, 31 March 2021.

**Proposers:** are strongly encouraged to contact our Director of Capacity Building, Professor Shaun Coffey (shaun.coffey@crawfordfund.org) to discuss their application before it is finalised and submitted. The first proposer must be an Australian. The second proposer should be the Officer-in-Charge of the nominee's Institute, Department, etc.

**Selection Committee:** A Selection Committee will be established comprising the Crawford Fund Director of Capacity Building and two additional persons appointed by the Crawford Fund. This selection committee shall consider all nominations and make a recommendation for endorsement by the Board of Directors. The Selection Committee shall be free to seek assistance in determining the relative merits of nominees.

**Notification:** The proposers and the successful nominee shall be notified by letter signed by the Chief Executive of the Crawford Fund.

**Guidelines for the Selection Committee:** In determining the successful nominee, the selection committee shall take into account the candidate's professional history and experience, and the impact of his/her contributions in the application of research and development in agriculture in a developing country or countries. This impact should be identified where possible in terms of benefits to agricultural production. Preference shall be given to applicants who have not previously accepted a similar award.

**CLOSING DATE FOR NOMINATIONS is COB 1700 AEST Wednesday, 31 March 2021** 

(late nominations or self-nominations will not be accepted)

