# CFC common fund for commodities

## **INTERNSHIP – JUNIOR ANALYST**

The CFC is seeking to recruit an Intern, based in its Amsterdam office, to support the work of the Operations Unit. This is an excellent opportunity for a Bachelor's/Master's student, resident in the Netherlands, with an interest in impact investments and financial analysis. Given the CFC's work with agricultural projects in developing countries, this position is especially relevant for those passionate about creating social, environmental, financial and operational impact in food and agribusinesses that serve smallholder value chains. Applicants with an interest in development finance and poverty alleviation are strongly encouraged to apply.

This position is offered on a **full-time or part-time basis** (30+ hours weekly) for a **period of 6–12 months**, starting in Q1 2025. While the CFC is unable to pay a formal salary for internship positions, a monthly allowance of  $\in$ 50 per working day is provided to assist with living costs.

### DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

This internship offers a valuable, hands-on learning experience in analysing food and agribusinesses and reviewing project reports. Additional duties may be assigned based on interest, need, and preferences. Under the mentorship of experienced professionals, the Junior Analyst will support the Operations Unit of the CFC with responsibilities including, but not limited to:

- Assisting in the operational and financial analysis of food and agribusinesses in developing countries.
- Supporting operational and financial due diligence.
- Contributing to the launch of CFC's new Agricultural Commodity Transformation (ACT) Fund.
- Participating in social and environmental impact analysis.
- Conducting research on emerging and important commodity issues.
- Contributing ideas to enhance impact through innovation and creativity.
- Recording the socio-economic benefits of impact funds and exploring ways to promote them to bridge the financing gap in the developing world.
- Elaborating the risk analysis of projects based on CFC's calculation system and defined risk classification.
- Supporting the negotiation of conditions for projects with initiators and sponsors.
- Analysing and evaluating reports submitted by CFC-financed projects, identifying gaps, and initiating appropriate action.
- Supporting Investment Managers and the Risk and Portfolio Manager in their reporting duties.
- Participating in project work related to CFC's website and social media presence.

#### COMPETENCIES

<u>Empathy.</u> A strong understanding of and sympathy for the needs of others, particularly those living below or at the poverty threshold.

<u>Analytical and operational skills.</u> Proficiency in data analysis using Excel and a good understanding of financial statements (balance sheet and profit/loss).

<u>Communication and teamwork.</u> Openness in sharing information and valuing others' ideas and expertise; willingness to learn.

<u>Commitment to good governance and ethics.</u> Experience in best practices in diligence and governance.

Professionalism. Persistence when facing challenges, maintaining composure in stressful situations.

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Current student in Business Administration, Development Studies, Agriculture, Forestry, Circular Economy, Economics, Finance, or related fields.
- Knowledge of financial matters related to loan and equity-oriented agriculture/SME projects.
- Ability to appraise financial interventions aimed at loan-financed development projects.
- Familiarity with environmental, social, and corporate governance (ESG) principles, especially for small-scale farmers.
- Experience in or insight into SMEs or smallholder farms is advantageous.
- Experience in planning and reporting on projects.
- Strong interpersonal, communication, and presentation skills.
- Willingness to travel if required.
- Team player with excellent client service orientation.
- Proficiency in databases, spreadsheet programs, and word processing; skills in digital communication, social media, and website content development are preferred.
- Good command of written and spoken English; knowledge of French, Spanish, Arabic or Chinese is preferred.
- NOTE: The CFC can offer internships only to nationals of its Member States. For a list of Member States, see the "About Us" section of the <u>CFC website</u>.

#### TO APPLY

Applicants should complete <u>this personal profile form</u> and send a cover letter (max 500 words) to accompany their concise curriculum vitae, in English, to <u>recruitment@common-fund.org</u> including their FULL name and Vacancy Ref (2024-04) in the email subject heading.

The closing date for applications is 18:00hrs (CEST) on **Thursday 12 December 2024.** 

Due to the anticipated number of applicants for this opportunity the CFC reserves the right to close this opportunity once sufficient applications are received, contact will be made with shortlisted candidates only.