

ROUNDTABLE ON SUSTAINABLE BIOMATERIALS

Position: Technical Analyst and Business Development intern

RSB Scholarship in partnership with the University of Campinas/UNICAMP

RSB is recruiting an intern in the Sao Paulo / Campinas region of Brazil to support the development of “Fuelling a Sustainable Bioeconomy” project in Brazil.

Start date: October/2019

Duration: 1 year

Location: Home-based Campinas/Sao Paulo region

Working time: part time – 24 hours/week

Salary: US\$ 1,750.00/month (approx. R\$ 7,000.00/month)

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Overview:

The Roundtable on Sustainable Biomaterials is seeking a **motivated individual to support the engagement of business, government and NGOs** in an exciting new programme to develop Brazil's bioeconomy based on the world's strongest sustainability standard, via a scholarship programme in partnership with **University of Campinas/UNICAMP**.

The intern will work closely with RSB's team in Brazil – and the broader organisation - and in collaboration with the WWF network in Brazil and beyond. The Programme is part of a wider initiative on the bioeconomy encompassing regional hubs in South Africa and Ethiopia as well as a global effort led by RSB, WWF and international partners with the support of the Boeing Corporate Citizenship Programme.

The programme aims to engage key corporate, government and civil society organisations and individuals to build a sustainable Brazilian bioeconomy. It will help to transform key commodity supply chains through best in class sustainable practices and work with industry, investors and policy makers to create an enabling environment for the growth of alternative aviation fuels and advanced products including bioplastics and cosmetics.

Specific duties include:

Understanding of sustainable alternative fuels in Brazil improved

- ✓ Review global and local sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) initiatives and draw up reports and memos on outcomes.
- ✓ Support the technical and economic assessment of SAF production, monitoring the consultants' activities and the preparation of the final report.

Potential for smallholder integration into sustainable bioeconomy developed

- ✓ Review of current data and status on smallholders in Brazil for the main agricultural crops.
- ✓ Identify economic, environmental and social challenges related to these smallholder production systems.

Undertake advocacy to integrate sustainability requirements into Brazilian biofuels governance and drive uptake of sustainable aviation fuels.

- ✓ Support the RSB Business Development team in identifying key stakeholders (e.g. civil society, NGOs, Brazilian Biofuels Network) and defining an action plan to support a sustainability agenda.
- ✓ Support the Business Development team in constructing an agenda for the Brazilian bioeconomy over the next 10 years (highlighting opportunities for biofuels, biomaterials, integrated forest/crop systems, restoration, waste management and circular economy) to be published as guide outlining recommendations and opportunities for sustainable bioeconomy development in Brazil.

Profile of RSB raised in Brazil

- ✓ Produce tailored materials in Portuguese to promote the RSB (news, annual report, etc.), Bioeconomy, SAF and disseminate project data for different players.

- ✓ Identify opportunities for RSB to further collaborate with UNICAMP to increase awareness of the RSB standard across UNICAMP's curricula, research and initiatives
- ✓ Support the Technical Advisory and Certification team in developing RSB National Indicators for Brazil.

Public awareness and support raised to drive mainstreaming of sustainability into the biofuels sector

- ✓ Support the RSB Business Development and Marketing & Communications teams in implementing a communication plan for Brazil, including the preparation and/or organisation of press releases, technical materials, lectures, webinars and workshops.

Qualifications:

Required:

- University Bachelor's degree in chemical engineering, food engineering, economics or related areas;
- Basic experience in project management and business development;
- Proven knowledge in biomass production in Brazil (agriculture, forestry, wastes) and processing (biofuels, bioenergy, biomaterials, advanced products).
- Written and verbal communication skills in English and Portuguese.

Desirable:

- Specific knowledge and, or experience in life cycle analysis and economic modeling.

Personal attributes:

- Open-mindedness;
- Excellent communication skills through different medium;
- Ability to work under pressure;
- Ability to work with a multicultural and virtual team;
- Personal commitment to sustainability;
- Willingness to travel as required by the job;
- And anything else deemed necessary in meeting the objectives of the organisation.