

Call for FAO-ICARDA CactusNet vacant positions

<https://www.cactusnetwork.org/>

Applications are invited for the following FAO-ICARDA CactusNet vacancies:

Regional Coordinators:

1. Mediterranean Region
2. South American Region
3. Asia

Research Team Coordinators

1. Genetic resources and conservation, including pitayas, pitahayas and other cacti
2. Nopalitos/beles production
3. Medicinal and Cosmetic uses
4. Youth

As stated in the CactusNet Constitution:

“Each coordinator will be elected from among the CactusNet members by the General Assembly and will serve a term of three years. No member shall be re-elected for more than two terms consecutively”.

“Candidates should have been a member of the CactusNet for at least one year, have research or extension experience in the relevant area, and must submit a Curriculum Vitae and a reference letter from one of the current ISC members. The nominees will be presented to all members of CactusNet via electronic means at least 30 days before the election, and the votes will be cast electronically. Voting members should have been a CactusNet member at the time of the call for nomination”.

1. Terms of reference

All coordinators should be able to communicate in English with the other International Steering Committee (ISC) members.

- a. Regional coordinators shall:
 - i. Foster communication among region members;
 - ii. Promote and encourage the establishment of joint projects on cactus research and development among countries with common geographical and ecological situations within the region;
 - iii. Arrange biannual meetings (virtual or physical) of its members to review activity progress, problems and formulate work plans;

- iv. Coordinate fundraising effort for activities to be implemented in the region;
 - v. Report at least once a year to the Secretariat activities undertaken in the region.
- b. Thematic coordinators shall:
- i. Foster communication among thematic members;
 - ii. Promote and encourage the establishment of joint projects on cactus research and development among countries within thematic areas;
 - iii. Arrange biannual meetings (virtual or physical) of its members to review activity progress, problems and formulate work plans;
 - iv. Coordinate fundraising effort for activities to be implemented;
 - v. Report at least once a year to the Secretariat activities undertaken in the thematic area.

Note: You can see the details for the election in the CactusNet Constitution:

<https://www.cactusnetwork.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/Constitution-of-CactusNet-Dec2022.pdf>

Deadline for submitting applications: February 18, 2023.

Please send your application to: cactusnet2023@gmail.com