

ESS Focal Points in ASARECA Countries

Proposed Terms of Reference

The Environment Focal Points will be appointed by the Environmental Agencies of the ASARECA countries at the request of ASARECA. They should be chosen from amongst the agencies officers that are responsible for monitoring and ensuring environmental compliance in their respective countries.

They will be required to do the following:

1. Participate in the screening, categorisation and ensuring of assessment of sub-projects proposed for implementation in their respective countries
2. Assist ASARECA in expediting approval of environmental assessment reports submitted to their countries for those projects that need national approval
3. Keep record of ESS requirements for all ASARECA supported research projects in their country
4. Liaise with the ASARECA NFP in complementing ESS focussed monitoring efforts and provide feedback on required action
5. Participate in capacity building efforts targeting sub-projects in their respective countries
6. Participate in the periodic auditing to be carried out by ASARECA

ASARECA will facilitate them to carry out the above activities, which should be integrated into their annual work plans.