



Position Overview

EMPLOYER:	Micronutrient Forum
POSITION:	Regenerative Agriculture Technical Advisor
START DATE:	Immediately
TERM:	Eight months consultancy
DESIRED EXPERIENCE:	5-8 years' work experience
DESIRED LOCATION:	Remote

About the Micronutrient Forum

The Micronutrient Forum (Forum) serves as a global catalyst and convener for sharing expertise, insights, and experience relevant to micronutrients in all aspects of health promotion and disease prevention, with special emphasis on the integration with relevant sectors.

The Forum is a backbone organization for collective action on micronutrient nutrition. As such, the Forum complements the actions of other organizations working in nutrition (funders, implementors, academicians, normative bodies) and fosters collaborative sectoral and cross-sectoral initiatives, leveraging internal and external expertise, to create collective impact. The Forum has earned a reputation as a responsive, evidence-based convener and knowledge broker with an independent voice.

The Forum's vision is a world where all people have optimal micronutrient status for health and well-being. To accomplish that vision, the Forum promotes dialogue and collective action on population assessment and delivery of vitamins, minerals, and other nutrients across multiple sectors by bridging nutrition science, policy, programs, and responsible business practices for health and well-being. Large scale food fortification (LSFF) is an effective and cost-efficient solution to micronutrient malnutrition – which could benefit from stronger collective action. The Forum supports all evidence-based solutions to ensure micronutrient security.

Founded in 2006, the Forum is perhaps best known for its Global Conference, having hosted five such events, with the most recent CONNECTED virtual event attracting over three thousand delegates. In addition to a biennial global conference, the Forum has a robust portfolio of programmatic work, including ongoing workstreams addressing the data gap in micronutrient nutrition, promoting nutrition of key populations including pregnant women, and offering technical support to academic, government, and implementing institutions.

The Forum is a US Based 501(c)3 non-profit corporation and operates as a remote organization with staff, consultants, and leadership spread across the globe.

See the [Forum's Strategic Plan](#)

See the [Forum's Team](#)



About the Standing Together for Nutrition Consortium

[Standing Together for Nutrition](#) Consortium is a multidisciplinary consortium of leading nutrition, food system, climate, and gender experts examining the scale and reach of global economic, conflict, climate, and health shocks. The Consortium, formed during the pandemic, has developed policy-relevant evidence, translated this evidence into policy messages, and worked with the advocacy partners to successfully advocate for programs and funding. The Consortium is hosted by the [Micronutrient Forum](#).

About the Regenerative Agriculture Scientific Consensus Project

While considerable interest and research has focused on the potential for regenerative agriculture (henceforth Regen) as a climate mitigation and adaptation strategy, the lack of consensus about its impact on nutrition may limit opportunities to scale and finance these practices.

ST4N will convene leading multi-disciplinary experts to drive consensus on the potential evidence, and evidence gaps, for Regen to support a more nutritious food system in the face of climate change. The findings will be valuable for funders, policymakers and researchers, offering guidance on how Regen can contribute to nutrition and climate goals.

This proposal has three aims:

- **Aim 1 – Scientific Consensus:** Create consensus on the evidence for action on Regen. Through convenings with an Advisory Committee of multi-sectoral experts, we will develop a scientific consensus on the policy-relevance of the evidence for Regen’s impact on the nutrient density of food and will evaluate evidence on other related indicators, such as complementary evidence on the potential impact of Regen on dietary quality, and nutrient intakes; identify and prioritize the evidence gaps for Regen’s impact on nutrient density of food; and develop an Action Plan to address the priority evidence gaps.
- **Aim 2 – Knowledge Management:** Synthesize the evidence on Regen’s impact on the nutrient density of food. Develop a white paper or peer-reviewed article on the Scientific Consensus for Regen’s impact on nutrient density of food. In addition to evidence on nutrient density, the synthesis may also include relevant evidence on the potential impact of Regen on dietary quality, and nutrient intakes. The Advisory Committee will also review and prioritize the remaining evidence gaps and recommend an Action Plan to address these prioritized evidence gaps.
- **Aim 3 – Policy Advocacy:** Create materials for partners to advocate for evidence-based policies to scale Regen. Develop evidence-based materials, for advocacy partners, to support policies and investments for Regen as a solution for more nutritious food systems and to potentially restore climate-related nutrient density losses.

Purpose of the Position

Regen is a new area for ST4N, so the Forum seeks a researcher with experience in Regen and with knowledge of nutrition, to support ST4N’s Regen Project workplan in close consultation with the ST4N Program Lead, Program Manager, and ST4N members, Forum leadership, and key funder. The Technical Advisor shall bring experience and expertise in regenerative agriculture research at the nexus of nutrition and food systems. Within the context of climate change, and an in-depth understanding of the



landscape of regenerative agriculture, nutrition, and food systems in the research and policy space. The Regen Technical Advisor will lead on developing the Landscape Analysis for selection of an Advisory Committee, and conduct a systematic review of the evidence on Regen's potential impact on the nutrient density of foods (crops and livestock).

This will be a remote position, for 10 months, with a flexible schedule that will average 80% over the contract period.

Major Duties and Responsibilities

The Technical Advisor shall work closely with the Project Lead, Program Manager, and Advisory Committee to manage and contribute technical expertise to the Consortium's activities. This position will contribute technical expertise in the areas of Regen, nutrition, and food systems, ensuring that ST4N activities are scientifically rigorous and relevant.

In close collaboration with the Project Lead and other stakeholders as appropriate, this **consultancy will include the following deliverables:**

- Support establishing the Advisory Committee: Conduct a landscape analysis to identify key experts at the nexus of regen and nutrition and potentially food systems, and from a diversity of geographies, particularly from low-and middle-income countries most affected by climate change. This will include mapping areas of expertise needed and the key players (researchers, advocates, private sector, farmers and those with lived experience, NGOs, government agencies). Assist with outreach to recruit the Advisory Committee.
- Synthesize the literature, including peer-reviewed articles, reports, and grey literature that examine the relationship between Regen practices and the nutritional density of food. This will entail a review of the evidence on the impact of Regen on macro- and micronutrient content and density of food crops and animal-source foods. Additional nutrition outcomes such as nutrient intakes and dietary quality could also be captured depending on the scope of the review and level of evidence identified to support these outcomes.
- Coordinate convenings of the Advisory Committee to drive the process of the Scientific Consensus on the potential impact of Regen on the nutritional density of food. Work with Program staff on the development of the Convening agendas, preparation of materials, coordination of the meetings, and subsequent Meeting Reports.
- Support development of key project deliverables, such as the prioritization of the evidence gaps, white paper or peer-reviewed article on the outcomes, and policy/advocacy materials.

Qualifications and Requirements

Education:

- Ph.D. (preferred) in a regenerative agriculture-related field, such as agroecology, agriculture, plant and soil science, environmental science, or nutrition.

Experience:

- 5-8 years of experience in at least two of these areas: regenerative agriculture, nutrition, or food systems - research, programs or policy
- Experience working at both the global and national (regional or local) levels



- A solid understanding of the key program, policy and funding players. In the regenerative agriculture space
- Program management experience.

Skills and Requirements:

- Deep knowledge of regenerative agriculture and the nexus with nutrition and/or food systems
- Research skills commensurate with conducting a systematic review
- Excellent communication and technical writing skills
- Good interpersonal skills and cross-cultural sensitivity
- Able to work under pressure and efficiently meet deadlines.

Desirable Qualifications:

- Experience working at global research or policy level with regenerative communities.
- Experience working with low- and middle-income country food systems, climate change researchers, farmers, and other regenerative agriculture stakeholders
- Experience effectively managing external partner relationships
- Experience working with remote and cross-cultural teams.

Compensation:

- A competitive consultant salary commensurate with experience.

Note to Candidates

The Micronutrient Forum is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to foster and celebrate gender equality, diversity, and inclusion in our organization. All qualified applications will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, color, religion, marital status, national origin, ethnicity, political beliefs, disability status, or any other status protected by US federal, state, or local law, or international law.

To Apply

To apply, please email hr@micronutrientforum.org with:

- A resume.
- A cover letter outlining your experience as it relates to the Micronutrient Forum and the role of ST4N Regen Technical Advisor.

Please include your name and the title for this position in the subject line of your email.

Note that the funding is pending. The application deadline is **July 11**, but applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The Forum will respond to the best-fit candidates with more information about ST4N and schedule remote interviews.