



# INTERNATIONAL COTTON ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT STATISTICIAN

**Application Deadline: 31 August 2017**

The International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) welcomes applications for the position of statistician for its Secretariat. The mission of the ICAC is to assist governments in fostering a healthy world cotton economy, and the statistician contributes to the achievement of that mission by providing transparency to the world cotton market.

The ICAC is the premier source of international data on the world cotton industry. The Secretariat forecasts cotton supply, use and prices, estimates the supply of extra-fine cotton, and tracks exports by destination and imports by origin. The Secretariat measures and forecasts cotton consumption and cotton's share of fiber demand in the world and by region and is the primary source in the world for statistics on fiber demand, costs of production, input use in cotton production and cotton sustainability metrics.

The statistician develops and forecasts estimates of world cotton supply and use; keeps abreast of developments in the cotton industry and related sectors; prepares frequent reports and presentations analyzing cotton market trends; and answers requests from member countries and the general public.

This position is based in Washington, DC, but involves domestic and international travel. The working language of the Secretariat is English. A competitive salary will be offered, commensurate with knowledge, training, and experience. Benefits include retirement contributions, health, life and disability insurance. Moving expenses are partially covered.

### Essential Duties:

Duties include, but are not limited to:

- Maintaining the main database of the ICAC via research, collection and cleaning of data on production, consumption, trade and stocks of raw cotton by country.
- Maintaining numerous datasets on cotton supply, use and prices, by country and for the world.
- Analysis, compilation, presentation and dissemination of statistical data.
- Preparation of weekly, monthly, bi-monthly and annual reports on world cotton supply and use.
- Written and oral presentations to the Standing Committee in Washington, to each Plenary Meeting and to world cotton industry organizations as requested.

### Required Qualifications:

- Advanced degree in Agricultural Economics, Economics, Statistics or related field.
- Strong quantitative and analytical skills.
- Solid computer skills, including proficiency in Excel and the ability to work with large, linked datasets.

- Fluency in oral and written English. Duties include frequent phone calls and emailing in English.
- Excellent writing and presentation skills.
- Attention to detail and record keeping abilities.
- Investigative mind.
- Ability to work independently and effectively with colleagues from diverse cultures.
- Good interpersonal skills.
- Good time management skills and the ability to meet deadlines.

Additional Desirable Qualifications:

- Several years of work experience
- Fluency in French
- Knowledge of the cotton industry

The International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) is an intergovernmental organization based in Washington, DC ([www.icac.org](http://www.icac.org)). The ICAC is the leading intergovernmental source of statistics on world cotton supply and demand.

**TO APPLY:**

Please send resume & cover letter via e-mail to [StatisticianApplication@ICAC.org](mailto:StatisticianApplication@ICAC.org). Address letter to Dr. Terry Townsend, Executive Director *ad interim*.

Applications will be evaluated during early September, and finalists will be invited to interview in Washington from the middle to the end of September. A selection will be announced in early October.