

APPLICATION FORM

“Expanding Business Opportunities for Youth in the Fish and Poultry Sectors in Kenya”

Section A

1. NAME OF APPLICANT

Last _____ *First* _____ *Middle* _____

Gender: Male ____ Female ____

2. NATIONALITY OF APPLICANT _____

3. TYPE OF IDENTIFICATION

National Identification/ Passport No _____ (tick one)

Are you a permanent Kenyan resident or citizen? YES _____ NO _____

If YES, provide a copy of this status together with this application.

4. APPLICANTS' CONTACTS DETAILS

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address: _____

Phone: Landline _____ Mobile _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____

5. What product or service is involved in your business idea?

6. Are you currently working? (check only one)

- Permanent (over 35 hours a week)
- Part time (work less than 35 hours a week)
- Temporary (not hired, works for a limited period of time)
- Student or in training
- Not working

7. How long have you worked during the last 5 years? (check only one)

- More than 4 years
- 2-4 years
- Less than 1 year

8. Are you currently running a business? (check only one)

- I own my own business
- I manage a business owned by others
- I am not running a business

If you are running your own business, please also answer questions on section B

9. Has any member of your family run a business?

- Yes, a poultry or fish business
- Yes, some other type of agricultural or food business
- Yes, a business not in agriculture or food
- No

10. Do you live with your parents or other family members? (check only one)

- Yes, I live with my parents or other family members
- No, I have established an independent household
- No, I have other living arrangements (please specify _____)

11. How much education have you had? (check all that apply)

- Secondary School Certificate
- College Certificate
- Undergraduate Certificate
- Graduate Diploma
- Post graduate Diploma

12. Have you attended short trainings in business or agriculture?

- No
- Yes (please specify _____)

13. Do you have any experience with agricultural or food businesses (check all that apply)

- Yes, I am or have worked on a farm
- Yes, I am or have worked in another agricultural or food business
- Yes, I have family who are or have worked in an agricultural or food business
- No, I have no experience

14. Do you have any experience with poultry or fish businesses? (check all that apply)

- Yes, I am or have worked on a poultry or fish farm
- Yes, I am or have worked in another agricultural or food business in poultry or fish
- Yes, I have family who are or have worked in a poultry or fish business
- No, I have no experience

15. Have you ever thought about running your own business (being an entrepreneur)? (check only one)
- Yes, it is my ambition to start a business
 - Yes, it would give me an alternative to what I'm doing now
 - Yes, it would give me a much needed source of income that I don't now have
 - No, this is the first time I have really thought about it
16. Are you willing to commit a significant portion of your time over the next year to develop your business idea into a real business? (check only one)
- Yes, whatever time it takes
 - Yes, but I need to keep my current job or educational program
 - Maybe, I need to think through it more
17. What resources could you bring to running your business? (check all that apply)
- My hard work
 - Personal money
 - Family money
 - Bank or other money
 - Knowledge about poultry or fish businesses
 - Skills useful in poultry or fish businesses
 - Other (please specify _____)
18. How did you learn about this opportunity? (check all that apply)
- Business association attended (specify): _____
 - A local farmers co-operative society (specify): _____
 - Friend
 - Newspaper
 - T.V. /Radio
 - Trade/business
 - Internet
 - USIU Website:
 - Ministry of Agriculture
 - USIU staff
 - USIU Brochures/ Course Information Material
 - Other (specify) _____

Section B *(complete only if you already run a business)*

19. What product or service is offered by your business? _____
20. What is the average yearly gross turnover of your business (in Ksh)? _____
21. What is the average yearly profit generated by your business? _____

22. What was your business's gross revenue last month? _____

23. What was your company's revenue last financial year? _____

24. Do you hold a business bank account?

Yes

No

25. Please list below your business' yearly expenses in Kenya Shillings (Ksh).

Rent for business premises/farm _____

Healthcare _____

Transportation/Car _____

Employee Salaries _____

Utilities _____

Other (please specify) _____

ATTESTATION

I confirm that the information provided above is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I have deliberately provided false information, I will have to forfeit the CultiAF scholarship if one is awarded to me.

Full Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

The Cultivate Africa's Future Fund (CultiAF) is a joint program of the Australian International Food Security Centre of the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) and the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) of Canada. CultiAF has provided funding for this project to USIU-Africa and its consortium of partners from VHL University (NL), Michigan State University (US) and Licence to Grow (NL).

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

Required Documents

- Completed application form with 2 passport size photos
- Copy of education certificates
- Copy of identification card or passport
- A letter of recommendation from a local authority, financial institution or trade association

Please note

1. *Completing this application form does not guarantee admission to the CultiAF Metro AgriFood Living Lab.*
2. *Exceptions to the eligibility criteria may be considered in cases where the entrepreneur and/or business has substantial opportunities for growth and would benefit significantly from the project*
3. *All personal/business information provided in this application will remain strictly confidential and used solely for the purpose of determining project eligibility and support. A written consent will be requested from the applicant, in the event that information will be shared to the public.*

Submission instructions

There are several ways to submit your completed application:

By email: to sasena@usiu.ac.ke OR agribusiness@usiu.ac.ke

NOTE: Applications submitted via email require that the signed signature page and required documents be scanned and submitted by email or faxed or mailed separately.

By mail send to: The Program Manager, USIU-Africa Agribusiness Program,
United States International University, P.O. Box 14634, 00800-Nairobi.