AGRICULTURAL CONSULTANT

Job Description:

**Agricultural consultant** specialist advisers who provide technical, commercial and financial advice and information to farming, agricultural and those that provide funding, support, and infrastructure to the agricultural industry. Agricultural consultants provide advice on the use and management of agricultural land. Typically they specialize either in business or technical expertise; specialists in the former area advise agricultural landowners on financial issues and business strategy, while technical specialists consider how to make the most effective use of the land. Technical specialists often focus on a particular area, such as pollution control, forestry consultancy, or crop rotation.

Job Responsibilities:

* visiting farms, forests, or other areas to conduct analyses and collect data, such as crop yield
* measuring, analyzing and interpreting data
* conducting land valuations
* advising on compliance with current legislation and use of governmental or EU schemes
* giving demonstrations
* making presentations
* writing technical publications
* preparing reports
* developing and maintaining a set of client contacts
* maintaining awareness of developments in your area of specialization, as well as the wider agricultural sector
* attending conferences
* advertising and marketing services.
* Corresponding with clients to identify and evaluate their business or technical requirements.
* Measuring performance and analyzing data such as crop yield.
* Advising on the best types of seeds to use
* Advising on how to improve the soil, use of fertilizers, weedkillers or other materials used on farms
* Advising on better ways to keep and feed livestock
* Introducing alternative farming methods, such as organic farming
* Advising on new farm machinery or new farm buildings
* Advising on health and safety
* Advising on animal diseases and pest control
* Advising on using farm land for recreation or wildlife
* Advising on business planning, budgets and applying for grants.
* Attending meetings, organizing seminars, classes, farm demonstrations and group sessions.
* Writing advisory leaflets, technical notes, press releases and articles.
* Completing planning applications.
* Handling the business, compliance and paperwork issues surrounding modern farming.
* Undertaking administrative duties, managing budgets and accounts, updating information, and preparing reports.
* Keeping up to date with relevant developments.

Job Qualifications:

* Bachelors in agricultural
* Masters in agricultural preferred
* Experience as an agricultural consultant

Opportunities as an agricultural consultant are available for applicants without experience in which more than one agricultural consultant is needed in an area such that an experienced agricultural consultant will be present to mentor.

Job Skills Required:

* Resourcefulness
* Verbal and written communication skills
* Research skills
* Analytical skills
* Team work skills
* Ability to interpret data
* Organizational skills
* Ability to prioritize
* Strong problem solving skills