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Subject: Policy Research Project – Water use in Canadian Agriculture

Dear Ph.D. candidates,

The Canadian Agri-Food Policy Institute (CAPI) is an independent and non-partisan think-tank, based in Ottawa, Ontario, that provides insight, evidence and balance to emerging issues in the field of agriculture and agri-food.

We are excited to announce that CAPI will be launching and conducting, in 2018, a policy research project focusing on water use in Canadian agriculture. CAPI proposes to develop expertise, original tools and strategies to grasp the complexity of water related challenges in agriculture, as well as to address issues arising from the interaction of agricultural production and water use, including both quality and quantity (for further details, see attached "Call for Proposals: Water use in Canadian Agriculture"). Because of multi-dimensional nature of water challenges and their implication, CAPI is aiming to create a small dynamic, innovative and transdisciplinary research network specializing in this field. Thus, we are looking to fund up to 6 Ph.D. candidates whose research focus on the various aspects and implications of water use in the agriculture and agri-food sector. Each selected researcher will receive a research grant up to \$10,000 per year for a maximum of 2 years. This project-based funding requires no physical presence in Ottawa. The outcome of selected projects will contribute to the production of a report by CAPI, which will be published and disseminated broadly to policy makers and various stakeholders.

Applications from any discipline will be considered, as long as the applicant is currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program and that the Ph.D. research of the applicant is related to water in Canadian agriculture. Areas of study of the applicants could include, but are not be limited to: policy, economics, hydrology, agricultural and biological sciences, geography, law, etc. If you are interested by this opportunity, please submit:

- An up-to-date *curriculum vitae*;
- A cover letter demonstrating your interest and qualification in the field of water in agriculture (no more than one page); and
- Your proposed research project, including objectives, short background information, methodology and expected outcomes (no more than two pages).

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Your application should be send to Dr. Tulay Yildirim, Director of Policy Research at CAPI (<u>Yildirimt@capi-icpa.ca</u>), no later than <u>January 15th, 2018</u>. Selected candidates will be notified before April 30th, 2018.

For further information, please write to: <u>info@capi-icpa.ca</u>.

We are looking forward to receiving your application.

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