

How to become a partner to CocoaSoils?

Joining the program for the Private Sector

A private sector company can join the CocoaSoils program by becoming a:

1. Trial Adopter

The private sector partner commits to fund and manage at least one Core Trial or multiple Satellite Trials. By doing so, it becomes a Research for Development partner and is therefore entitled to participate in the Research Committee. Additionally, it is also entitled to a seat in one or more in-country Partnership Committees that are taking place in Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, and Nigeria.

2. Trial Supporter

The private sector partner commits to contribute to at least one Core or multiple Satellite Trials with the supply of fertilizer in accordance with Core and Satellite Trial Description. By doing so, it becomes a Research for Development partner and is therefore entitled to participate in the Research Committee.

3. Private Sector Contributor

The private sector partner contributes € 15,000 annually to the CocoaSoils program management. By doing so, it is also entitled to a seat in one or more in-country Partnership Committees that are taking place in Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, and Nigeria.

	Trial Adopter	Trial Supporter	Private Sector Contributor
Contribution to program	Fund and manage at least one Core Trial or multiple Satellite Trials	Contribute to at least one Core or multiple Satellite Trials with the supply of fertilizer in accordance with Core and Satellite Trial Description	Contribute € 15,000 annually to CocoaSoils program management
Type of partner	Research for Development partner	Research for Development partner	/
Entitled to a seat in the 'Research Committee'	Yes	Yes	No
Entitled to a seat at one or more of the in-country 'Partnership Committees'	Yes	No	Yes

If a private sector company wants to take one of these roles within the program, IITA consults all signatories of the consortium agreement if there is a possible objection. If there is no objection, a separate agreement with the new program partner will be arranged through IDH.

More information or joining the program?

If you are interested in joining the program as a private sector partner, or with another role in the program, please [contact](#) our program team to discuss for further discussion about your role in the program.