## TITLE: Impact Investment Research Officer

## PARTNER(S): The Lanka Impact Investing Network (LIIN)

## COUNTRY AND PLACE OF ASSIGNMENT: Colombo, Sri Lanka

## CONTRACT DURATION: 12 weeks

### DESCRIPTION:

Uniterra is a leading Canadian international volunteer cooperation and development program, jointly implemented by the Centre for International Studies and Cooperation (CECI) and World University Service of Canada (WUSC). Uniterra contributes to improving the socio-economic conditions of poor and marginalized communities in 14 countries and with over 170 partners in Africa, Asia and the Americas through the exchange of expertise and knowledge of Canadian and international volunteers. Uniterra believes that economic growth, when inclusive, is the most powerful driver of poverty reduction. The purpose of the Uniterra program is to improve the lives of some of the world’s most vulnerable populations by stimulating growth and facilitating access to the benefits of growing and diversified markets. To make this happen, we are working with our local partners to enhance the income of poor and marginalized women and youth through better access to employment and income generation opportunities. Uniterra country program staff work with our local partners to design Uniterra assignments in the context of the country strategy, supporting the inclusion of women and youth in key economic subsectors. For more information on the Uniterra program, our approach and countries of focus please visit: Uniterra.ca.

The Lanka Impact Investing Network (LIIN) is the first and only impact investing network in operation in Sri Lanka with the sole purpose of investing in existing and emerging social enterprises and entrepreneurs across the country. LIIN is the only entity that stands for creating a like-minded community of investors with a passion and commitment to invest and finance the social entrepreneur community with the much needed seed capital and debt instruments with the approach of commercial, social and environmental returns as the key expectation. LIIN recognizes the need of proper professional vocational education as a key requirement in the country. For further information please go to: www.liin.lk

LIIN specializes in social entrepreneur incubation and acceleration, due diligence and investor relations are some of the key areas of work. As LIIN spearheads the creation of a social entrepreneur ecosystem and impact investing landscape in Sri Lanka, they are seeking an Impact Investment Officer who can assist with the various initiatives they are implementing in this regard.

### RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist in the development of a mechanism for impact measurement and evaluation for investees.
- Assist in the creation of an incubation system for selected entrepreneurs.
- Assist in the due diligence process of potential investees including the development of due diligence reports and quarterly reports to the relevant investors.
- Assist in the management of a database of investees.
- Lead the online presence of Ath Pavura and LIIN through the website and social media channels.
- Ensure the participation of women and youth, as well as their representation, in all activities of and all program benefits; and
- Write reports required by LIIN and the Uniterra program.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Work, internship or volunteer experience with business startups
- Strong organizational skills
- Interest in social entrepreneurship
- Demonstrated coaching or mentorship skills, including tact and professionalism
- Demonstrated ability to take initiative
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in cross-cultural environments
- Written and oral fluency in English