

Candidate: Catur Utami Dewi, Global Rice Programme Director

Nominating SRP member: Rikolto

Constituency: Civil Society organizations

Catur Utami Dewi is Global Rice Programme Director and a member of the top management of Rikolto. This Belgian non-profit organisation is an institutional member of SRP working in the food sector of 17 countries. Dewi is board member of Preferred by Nature and board member of SRP which she represents in the ECOWAS Rice Observatory.

Previously, as Rikolto's Programme and Regional Director, she managed the organisation and its programmes on sustainable and quality assured rice, cocoa, coffee and cinnamon.

Dewi worked with various international organisations in Indonesia and Nigeria and holds Master degrees from Germany and South Africa.

Statement of interest

I am familiar with SRP and especially the duties of the board as I have been an observer and later a member since I became Director of the Global Rice Programme of Rikolto International in 2021. I would like to contribute with my experience in rice programs in nine countries in Africa and Asia to the important work of SRP. In our programs we support the adoption of SRP standards and we are active in the country multistakeholder initiatives towards SRP National Chapters.

As Rikolto is one of the institutional members of SRP, I see many opportunities to share our experiences, create synergies and connect our mutual networks for the benefit of both organizations. I am also a board member of Preferred By Nature that is also a member of SRP, and represent SRP in the ECOWAS Rice Observatory. As member of Rikolto International's management, I also have a rich experience in developing organizational structures, general organisational management as well as in planning, learning and accountability.