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Job Description

call for expressions of interest - vacancy announcement: 2001733

Global Food Security Cluster Programme Consultant

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Organizational Unit: OER

Job Type Non-staff opportunities

Type of Requisition: Consultant / PSA (Personal Services Agreement)

Grade Level: N/A

Primary Location Italy-Rome

Duration: 4 months - with possibility of extension

Post Number: N/A

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FAO is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender and nationality

People with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply

All applications will be treated with the strictest confidentiality

The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization

Organizational Setting

The Office of Emergencies and Resilience (OER) is responsible for ensuring FAO's efforts to support countries and partners in preparing for and effectively responding to food and agricultural threats and crises. It is responsible for coordinating the development and maintenance of corporate tools and standards to enable Decentralized Offices to assist member countries to prepare for, and respond to emergencies. OER ensures humanitarian policy coordination and knowledge, liaison with the Inter-Agency Standing Committee as well as with humanitarian resource partners, co-leadership with World Food Programme of the global Food Security Cluster, organizational preparedness, surge capacity and response to large-scale emergencies. OER supports food and nutrition security assessment and early warning activities related to emergency and humanitarian analysis and responses and plays a major role in the development and leadership of the Organization's programme to increase the resilience of livelihoods to food and agriculture threats and crises (SO5).

Reporting Lines

Day to day management will be the responsibility of the global Food Security Cluster Coordinator. The Coordinator reports to the Global Food Security Cluster Coordinator, overall supervisor of the gFSC Global Support Team (GST), and to the Senior Programme Policy Officer in WFP.

Technical Focus

The objective of the Food Security Cluster is to ensure a timely, coherent and effective food security response by mobilizing stakeholders to respond in a strategic manner to a humanitarian crisis.

Tasks and responsibilities

- Support country cluster coordinators to perform effective coordination in relation to needs assessments and analysis, response plans preparation, harmonization of programmatic approaches, information management, preparation of appeals, advocacy and resource mobilization, etc;
- Act as a geographical focal point for a number of countries;
- · Promote the use of technical standards at country level;
- Update the Cluster Coordinator handbook and other guidance documents as needed (within the framework of technical WGs)
- Contribute to trainings and capacity development initiatives at global and country level (including exploring new ways of
 implementation e.g. e-learning etc.);
- Carry out short-term field support or surge missions to respond to emergency needs for food security coordination as per ToR
 established for each mission;
- Contribute to the implementation of the results of the gFSC strategic Plan 2020-2022;
- Contribute to the gFSC working groups and to development of tools and guidance to address gaps identified by the gFSC and partners;
- Contribute to advocacy and resource mobilization efforts both at country level and at global level;
- Promote awareness and understanding among partners of cross-cutting and people-centric issues; play the role of focal point on protection and gender mainstreaming;
- · Any other tasks as requested.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- · Advanced university degree in food security, agriculture, economics, humanitarian affairs or related field;
- Minimum of 5 years of professional experience in humanitarian response at a mid or senior level. Experience in food security related topics is mandatory;
- At least one-year experience as FSC-CC;
- Working knowledge of English and Spanish and/or French and limited knowledge of any other official language of the Organization (Arabic, Chinese and Russian);

FAO Core Competencies

- Results Focus
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Building Effective Relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement
- · Cultural and Gender awareness and sensitivity

Technical/Functional Skills

- Ability to work and plan at strategic and operational levels;
- Understanding of the international humanitarian response architecture, including humanitarian principles, coordination
 mechanisms, humanitarian reform and action, and funding mechanisms (e.g. Humanitarian Programme Cycle HPC, Central
 Emergency Response Fund and Flash Appeals, Pooled funds);
- Ability to express and summarize ideas orally and in writing in a diplomatic and inclusive manner;
- Ability to organize workshops, meetings and to present outcomes in behalf of a group of stakeholders;
- Assessment, Survey, and Monitoring and Evaluation.
- Willingness and ability to work in difficult environments, in often stressful time- critical situations;
- Formal training in Cluster CC is strongly desirable;
- Expertise/experience on protection and gender mainstreaming is desirable;
- Expertise/experience on training material preparation and training delivery is desirable.

Please note that all candidates should adhere to FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FAO does not charge any fee at any stage of the recruitment process (application, interview, processing)

Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognized in the IAU/UNESCO list If you are in possession of language certificate/s from UN accredited external providers and/or FAO language official examinations (LPE, ILE, LRT), please attach the certificate/s when submitting the application.

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HOW TO APPLY

To apply, visit the recruitment website at Jobs at FAO and complete your online profile. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Only applications received through the recruitment portal will be considered.

We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline

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