



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: IRC5822

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Deadline For Application: 07 December 2018

Position Title:	Technical Adviser	Grade Level:	P-4
Organizational Unit:	FAO Representation in Sudan, FNSDN	Duty Station:	Sudan, Khartoum
		Duration *:	Fixed term: one year (with possibility of extension)
		Post Number:	2006994
		CCOG Code:	1A11

The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

Qualified female applicants and qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged to apply.

Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.

All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.

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

Organizational Setting

The main aim of the FAO Country Offices, which are headed by an FAO Representative, is to assist governments to develop policies, programmes and projects to achieve food security and to reduce hunger and malnutrition, to help develop the agricultural, fisheries and forestry sectors, and to use their environmental and natural resources in a sustainable manner. FAO's mission is to work with the Government of the Sudan to help build a food-secure country, free of hunger and malnutrition, where food and agriculture contribute to improving the living standards of all, especially the poorest, in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable manner. The Organization's activities in the Sudan are fully integrated with the national priorities outlined in the national plan and strategies of the country.

The post is based in the FAO Country Office of Khartoum, the Sudan, under project GCP/SUD/084/EC: *Greater Stability in Eastern Sudan through better and more informed Decision-Making in Food Security*. The impact of the new Programme is to contribute to a more conducive and sustainable living environment for vulnerable populations, including refugees and host communities, hence contributing to greater stability and reducing factors at the root of irregular and forced migration.

Reporting Lines

The Technical Adviser reports to the FAO Representative (FAOR) and works under the technical supervision of the Lead Technical Officer (LTO) and the relevant divisions at FAO headquarters. He/she collaborates with the national team of the project, government structures such as Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Food Security Technical Secretariat at federal and state level, relevant FAO technical and support staff and consultants as well as other major partners.

Technical Focus

- Food Security Information Systems Management;
- Food Security policy coordination and strategic planning;
- Data Analysis.

Key Results

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, development and implementation of departmental/divisional programmes, projects, products and services in accordance with departmental/divisional objectives and FAO Strategic Objectives.

Key Functions

- Provides technical leadership assistance on the development, implementation and evaluation of assigned programmes/projects; assists in the review of relevant documents and reports; identifies priorities, liaises with relevant parties; identifies follow-up actions;
- Assists in the coordination of programmes and reviews the assessments of issues and trends for the implementation of programmes and projects and the preparation of impact evaluation or equivalent studies;
- Assists/supervises preparation of various written outputs, e.g. background papers, analysis, substantial sections of reports and studies, inputs to publications;
- Contributes to consultative and other meetings, conferences, including proposals for agenda topics, identifying participants, preparation of documents and presentations;
- Participates in activities such as structuring of training workshops, seminars; makes presentations on assigned topics/activities;

- Leads field missions, including provision of guidance to external consultants, government officials and other parties;
- Provides advice to the Chief Technical Adviser regarding the development of policies and strategies, as well as national protocols and guidelines for projects with specific domains related to FAO's work.

Specific Functions

- Oversees the establishment of the Programme Support Unit (PSU) and the Technical Support Units (TSU) in full collaboration with the relevant government and state authorities;
- Prepares, coordinates and manages detailed work plans/budget for the Programme, monitors and ensures the quality and timeliness of technical assistance and reporting on implementation of work plans;
- Supervises national and international teams working in the PSU, including administration, communication and field operations;
- Coordinates the day-to-day technical activities of the PSU, providing technical guidance to the national staff with regard to training on and conducting data collection, analysis and report writing;
- Develops the strategic direction of the programme, including conceptual frameworks, methods and communication strategies in line with the Communication and Visibility (C-V) plan;
- Establishes and maintains effective links with the Government of the Republic of the Sudan officials, national/international partners involved in the formulation and implementation and ensures synergies with other similar ongoing activities (FAO and other organizations);
- Coordinates the interventions for creating an effective enabling environment for rural social stability;
- Supervises the delivery of advice, assistance and on-the-job training in conflict resolution and peace stability providing direct advice as appropriate;
- Plans and schedules international, national and FAO technical support services as per agreed work plans, develops TORs where required and ensures necessary clearances;
- Reviews progress made towards the work plan proposed as well as the stated objectives and results on a quarterly basis;
- Prepares and/or finalizes required reports as per the rules and regulations of including reports of the individual subprojects for transmission to FAO;
- Performs other duties as required.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in political sciences, agricultural economics, development economics, rural sociology, food security, nutrition, sustainable agriculture (including livestock, forestry and fisheries), or related field;
- Seven years of relevant experience in technical cooperation related activities, policy advice and analysis relating to food and nutrition security, agriculture and rural development, monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes;
- Working knowledge of English, and limited knowledge of Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish.

Competencies

- Results Focus;
- Team Work;
- Communication;
- Building effective relationships;
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement.

Technical/Functional Skills

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable;
- Relevance and extent of experience in technical cooperation related activities, policy advice and analysis relating to food and nutrition security, agriculture and rural development, monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes;
- Relevance and extent of experience in working with intergovernmental bodies and multidisciplinary teams.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills
- Your application will be screened based on the information provided in your iRecruitment online profile (see “*How to Apply*”). We strongly recommend that you ensure that the information is accurate and complete including employment record, academic qualifications and language skills
- Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognized in the IAU/UNESCO list
- Other similar positions at the same level may be filled from this vacancy notice and the endorsed candidates will be considered for the Employment Roster for a period of two years
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments

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HOW TO APPLY

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Candidates are requested to attach a letter of motivation to the online profile.

Vacancies will be removed from iRecruitment at 23:59 Central European Time (CET) on the deadline for applications date. We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline date.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: iRecruitment@fao.org

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