



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Deadline For Application: 28 December 2018

Position Title:	Animal Production Health Officer (ECTAD Country Team Leader)	Grade Level:	P-4
Organizational Unit:	FAO Representation in Egypt, FNEY	Duty Station:	Egypt, Cairo
		Duration *:	Fixed term: one year (with possibility of extension)
		Post Number:	2007031
		CCOG Code:	1H01

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 Regional Office for the Near East (RNE) is responsible for leading FAO's response to regional priorities for food security, agriculture and rural development through the identification, planning and implementation of FAO's priority activities in the region. It ensures a multidisciplinary approach to programmes, identifies priority areas of action for the Organization in the region and, in collaboration with departments and divisions at Headquarters, develops, promotes and oversees FAO's strategic response to regional priorities. RNE also advises on the incorporation of regional priorities into the Organization's Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) and implements approved programmes and projects in the region, monitors the level of programme implementation and draws attention to problems and deficiencies. RNE develops and maintains relations with region-wide institutions including the Regional Economic Integration Organizations (REIOs).

The Regional Office supports regional policy dialogue on food security, agriculture and rural development issues, facilitates the emergence of regional partnerships, and supports capacity development and resource mobilization for food security, agriculture and rural development in the region.

The position operates within the framework of the Emergency Centre for Transboundary Animal Diseases (ECTAD) of FAO and is located in the FAO Office in Cairo, Egypt.

Reporting Lines

The Animal Production Health Officer (ECTAD Country Team Leader) reports to the FAO Representative in Egypt under the technical guidance of the Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO)/Chief, Animal Health Service (AGAH).

He/she will work in close coordination with the Global Emerging Disease Threat Program Coordinator, with the Head of the Emergency Prevention System for Animal Health (EMPRES-AH), in complementarity with the Senior Animal Production and Health Officer, RNE; the operational guidance of the Emergency and Rehabilitation Officer, Emergency and Rehabilitation Division, TCE; as well as with the relevant subregional Animal Production and Health Officers and other project/program personnel in RNE.

Technical Focus

Provide overall guidance, supervision and technical leadership to the ECTAD country unit in Egypt on transboundary animal disease threats.

Key Results

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

Key Functions

- Plans and leads components of multidisciplinary teams, leads and/or participates in internal committees, project teams, and working groups and/or provides specialized expertise on technical networks and/or international technical policy and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies;
- Develops technical, analytical, monitoring and reporting frameworks, and related methodologies, tools, systems and databases etc. to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of programmes of work, projects, products and/or services;

- Designs and conducts research, data collection, validation, analysis and/or reporting activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovative approaches and strategies, new tools, technologies, technical reports/publications, and/or policy proposals as well as the provision of technical/policy/specialist/advice and expertise;
- Responds to country requests for technical and policy assistance, provides technical advice, assistance and solutions to Decentralized Offices and provides technical backstopping to field projects;
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality/effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities within member countries such as policy support, organizational development and individual learning events including preparation of related information, learning materials, online tools;
- Promotes international cooperation/advocates best practices, increased policy dialogue and provides technical expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings;
- Participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

Specific Functions

- Manages the ECTAD country team, in coordination with the FAO Representative (FAOR) in Egypt;
- Coordinates and manages the USAID-supported Emerging Pandemic Threats 2 (EPT-2)/Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA) country programme and other ECTAD projects, including overall guidance and technical supervision;
- Liaises with the host Government, development partners, multilateral agencies and national and international Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), and the private sector in all matters related to high impact emerging and re-emerging zoonotic and non-zoonotic disease prevention and control programme and related activities;
- Provides advice to the FAOR on livestock and animal health matters and allied issues related to public health in order to apply a more integrated and coherent model of project and programme delivery at country level;
- Advises the government on any technical matter related to its national control programme in line with FAO, and other joint strategies with international partners (e.g. FAO/OIE, FAO/WHO, and FAO/OIE/WHO), or international standards;
- Ensures smooth integration of the EPT-2 programme activities and programme staff into the programmatic and administrative operations of the FAO Representation in the country of assignment; and contributes towards the development and implementation of the FAO country programme;
- Consults with country counterparts at Ministerial or Governorate level on issues related to animal health and animal disease management, including the private sector;
- Ensures and maintains a recognized national platform for coordinating technical assistance including immediate response required to manage and address the challenges of animal health threats, in line with government requirements and priorities;
- Maintains links with the established national networks on diagnosis and epidemiology to exchange and share technical information particularly related to priority and high impact animal diseases;
- Contributes to resource mobilization efforts, leveraging existing funds, to expand animal health related projects that are identified as priorities by the National Government;
- Performs other duties as required.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in veterinary science or related field;
- Seven years of relevant experience in the management and implementation of Transboundary Animal Diseases (TADs) / re-Emerging Infectious Diseases (rEIDs) control programmes, preferably in developing countries;
- Working knowledge of English, Arabic or French and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Spanish, Chinese, Russian.

Competencies

- Results Focus;
- Teamwork;
- 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.
- Extent and relevance of knowledge of and experience in the livestock sector and animal health issues with good understanding of the prevention and control of rEIDs;
- Extent and relevance of knowledge in international standards related to animal health, commerce and trade;
- Proven organizational, managerial and coordination skills with multidisciplinary groups of technical experts from countries, and regional and international organizations;

- Extent and relevance of experience in preparing technical briefs, reports, PP presentations and project proposals;
- Relevant post-graduate degree on epidemiology, laboratory, animal science or livestock production, is considered a strong asset;
- Familiarity with UN and other international agencies and field programmes, 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

- 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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