

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

FAO Representation

PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT No: FAOBD-899-13-PRJ

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Deadline For Application: 06 June 2013

POSITION TITLE: Chief Technical Advisor (Food Safety) GRADE LEVEL: P-5

DUTY STATION: Dhaka, Bangladesh
DURATION *: One Year (renewable)

POST CODE/N°: Unidentified

CCOG CODE: 1102b

Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non- and under-represented countries are encouraged.

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.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:

Under the overall supervision of the FAOR in Bangladesh, the technical supervision of the Lead Technical Officer (LTO) and other relevant Divisions and services in FAO, and in consultation with relevant local authorities, he/she will have the overall responsibility for the delivery of the Programme "Improving Food Safety in Bangladesh". In particular, the incumbent will:

- Prepare the annual Technical Assistance Team (TAT) work plans and budgets, clear them with FAO and the other donor and obtain their approval by the Programme Steering Committee;
- Supervise and ensure the implementation of the work plans, prepare commitment request for the FAO budget holder and monitor and report on progress and expenditures in accordance with the requirements of FAO, the GOB, the Steering Committee and the donor;
- Supervise and assist the TAT, consultants and the support staff in carrying out their duties;
- Develop TORs for the international and national consultants;
- Participate in the briefing and debriefing of all consultants and carefully review their reports after each mission:
- Ensure development of lists of equipment to be procured under each component of the programme;
- Ensure development of contracts required under the project;
- Develop overall plans for training for each component of the programme;
- Liaise with the Embassy of the Netherlands on matters related to food safety interventions along the food chain including private industry involvement in the programme;
- Monitor the implementation of each components of the programme according to the programme document. Prepare the required progress and terminal reports in consultation with relevant stakeholders;
- Perform other related duties, as required

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in food safety, food science of food technology or related discipline;
- Ten years of relevant experience in food control/management activities specially at the government level; minimum 5 year experience in programme management and in working with Governments in developing countries in a relevant area;
- Working knowledge of English.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent of experience as senior food control management expert at a national or regional level;
- Relevance of experience in food quality and safety: in assessing needs for capacity building: and in strengthening national food control systems;
- Extent and relevance of experience in applying the food safety risk analysis framework to the food safety decision-making process;
- Extent of experience in private food sector on issues related to food safety/quality management and compliance with national and international standards and regulations;
- Demonstrated experience in complex development projects on food safety and its management;
- Demonstrated ability to communicate in a credible and effective manner and to represent FAO in dealings with Government, UN agencies, bilateral and multilateral agencies and non-government organizations;
- Demonstrated competency in working with and managing people at all levels and from different levels and background.

Please note that all candidates should possess computer/word processing skills and should be capable of working with people of different national and cultural backgrounds.

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

REMUNERATION

A competitive compensation and benefits package is offered. For information on UN salaries, allowances and benefits, click on the following link: http://icsc.un.org/

For guidelines to applicants, please visit the Application Toolkit at: http://www.fao.org/employment/current-vacancies/project/en/

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