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Deadline For Application: 2 March 2015

POSITION TITLE:	Project Manager	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Rumbek, South Sudan
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	FAO Representation Office in South Sudan	DURATION *:	12 months with possible extension
		POST CODE/N°:	
		CCOG CODE:	1.A.02

Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged
Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply
All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The FAO Representation Office in South Sudan (FRSSD) is responsible for leading FAO's response to country priorities for food security, agriculture and rural development through the identification, planning and implementation of FAO's priority activities in the country. FAOSS has provided support to emergency agriculture programmes to ensure food security and improve agriculture production. Through its emergency and rehabilitation programmes, FAOSS has supported vulnerable crops, fisheries and livestock dependent households with technical support while also promoting sustainable land management practices, improved production techniques and technologies and marketing opportunities.

The project Manager works under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative in South Sudan and the direct supervision of the Head of Programme. S/he will work closely with the programme and in close consultation with the relevant FAO headquarters Lead Technical Unit and the technical Project taskforce at FAO headquarters and FAO Regional Office for Africa (RAF) Technical Officers and Lead Technical Officer, based in the Sub-Regional Office for Eastern Africa (SFE) and close collaboration with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). And with the EC and the MAFTARCRD in South Sudan

The Project Manager is responsible for the management and coordination of the project: "**Enhanced Knowledge and Education for Resilient Pastoral Livelihoods in South Sudan**" funded by the European Commission by ensuring consistency with the objectives set out in the Financial Convention with the Donor for the project implementation and rules and procedures of FAO. The Project Manager shall also maintain the lead in adhering to the FAO's work on 'livelihoods and ecosystems resilience' and therefore closely liaise with the Regional Initiative on Resilience that is coordinated by RAF within the SO5 Strategic Objective of FAO while also adhering and contributing to SO3 - Reduce Rural Poverty.

In particular he/she will:

- Lead, manage, administer and oversee the implementation of the project and ensure that FAO procedures are adhered to; be responsible for project leadership and ensure and ensure coordination between FAO and UNESCO activities, within their respective components, allowing for synergies that reinforce the overall project objectives;
- Provide the overall guidance to the project and expert technical advice on timely and high quality implementation and results according to both FAO's rules and regulations and the EU's standards as defined in the relevant documents;
- guide and assist in developing and strengthening the capacity of local institutions and organizations and communities, to be carried out in consultation with the relevant ministries, local authorities and non-state partners;
- establish and maintain effective links with government officials and national and international partners involved in implementation of the project, in close coordination with UNESCO Project Coordinator, and assist in coordinating the interventions for strengthening the country's human capacities related to agricultural sector;
- engage a policy dialogue with the competent Line ministries and possibly other key stakeholders, together with UNESCO, to facilitate official recognition of the learning/training structures established under the project and to envisage providing them with appropriate technical backstopping and financial support after the end of the project;
- ensure that project interventions take into account gender differentiated needs of beneficiaries, in coordination with the project gender specialist,;
- monitor progress of implementation in relation to annual work plan (including the component implemented by UNESCO) in particular timeliness, achievement of project objectives and impact, and implement corrective measures when needed;
- Prepare terms of reference and project progress reports in accordance to the Guide to the Project Cycle to reflect the outputs and results of the project against agreed work plans, and identify constraints and issues that require timely resolution and corrective actions;
- Monitor the project budget and prepare ad hoc and yearly expenditure plans and reports and inform the Secretariat of project Steering Committee (PSC) in a timely fashion;
- Review and comment on technical documents as required;
- Prepare detailed project annual work plans in line with the budget and in collaboration with stakeholders, and make necessary arrangements for their successful implementation in a timely manner;
- Prepare technical specifications of the required project inputs (equipment, supplies) and draft tender documents for local or international procurement;
- Perform other duties as requested

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Animal Health/Production, rural development , agricultural science/economics or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in the planning, development and operational management of projects
- Working knowledge of English, knowledge of Arabic is considered an asset

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of experience in managing and implementing large projects;
- Extent and relevance of experience in pastoral livestock production systems;
- Extent and relevance of experience in supporting the development and implementation of national policies;
- Extent and relevance of experience managing European union funded projects;
- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills.
- Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which will be followed by a competency-based interview.
- 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 recognised 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 2 years.
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments.

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/rootindex.asp>

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website at <http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/> and complete your online profile. Only applications received through iRecruitment will be considered.

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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