



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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POSITION TITLE:	Project Manager	GRADE LEVEL:	P-5
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	FAO Representation in South Sudan (FAORSS)	DUTY STATION:	Wau, South Sudan
		DURATION *:	Fixed-Term: 1 year (with possibility of 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.

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

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The FAO Representation in South Sudan is organized around three main units: Programme, Operations and Administration. The Programme Team is responsible for the provision of: i) information analysis and planning, ii) policy/project formulation, iii) procedural/technical guidance and coordination, iii) corporate monitoring and reporting on the field programme/project and for Country Programming Frameworks; and iv) advisory support to decentralized offices.

The current portfolio of projects in South Sudan includes activities related to Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Natural Resource Management developed and implemented with humanitarian, transitional and development funding.

The Project Manager is responsible for the management and coordination of the project: "ZONAL EFFORT FOR AGRICULTURAL TRANSFORMATION - BAHR EL GHAZAL EFFORT FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (ZEAT-BEAD)" 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 will also be responsible of ensuring that the project is implemented within the overall lines of sustainable agricultural intensification as outlined in the FAO 'Save and Grow' paradigm. At the same time 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.

The Project Manager will work under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative for South Sudan and the direct supervision of the Senior Programme Officer, and in close collaboration with the Programme Unit and in consultation with the relevant FAO headquarters Lead Technical Unit and the technical Project taskforce and with RAF Technical Officers and Lead Technical Officer, based in the Sub-regional Coordination for East Africa (SFE). Specifically, the incumbent will:

- Lead, manage, administer and oversee the implementation of the project and ensure that FAO procedures are adhered to;
- Oversee the establishment of the Project Management Coordination Unit (PMCU) and its full collaboration with the relevant Government and State authorities
- Supervise the team/ staff, consultants recruitment process and fulfilment of TORs;
- Develop the strategic direction of the programme at national and state levels, including conceptual frameworks, methods and communication strategies in line with the principles of sustainable agriculture intensification and ecosystems resilience;
- 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 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;
- Review progress made towards the work plan proposed as well as the stated objectives and results on a quarterly basis;
- Assure the preparation of required reports in line with the rules and regulations of the EU and collate the reports of the individual sub-projects for transmission to EU and FAO;
- 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;
- Coordinate training activities and when appropriate participate in conducting some of the courses;
- In coordination with the FAOSS gender specialist, ensure that project interventions take into account gender differentiated needs of beneficiaries;
- Ensure participation in higher level coordination system, Project Steering Committee (PSC) and promote establishment of multi-stakeholder consultation platforms;
- 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;
- Ensure coherence and sustainability-orientation of the Action and synergies & complementarities with overall EU-funded Programme in GBEG;
- Review and comment on technical documents as required;
- Perform other duties as requested.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University degree in Agricultural Sciences, Agricultural Economics Agricultural Engineering or related field
- Minimum ten years of relevant experience in the planning, development and operational management of large scale programmes
- Working knowledge of English (Level C)

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Relevant management experience and demonstrated ability to manage multidisciplinary teams
- Demonstrated expertise and experience in the area of sustainable intensification of agriculture and food systems in the context of complex situations at field level and knowledge and skills in participatory field extension methods
- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable
- Relevant work experience in supporting the development and implementation of national policies
- Relevance of experience managing European Union funded projects
- Ability to plan, organize, implement and report on work
- Extent of working experience in Africa and familiarity with the region

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**

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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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