



## Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

**Vacancy No. IRC3089**

### Call for Expression of Interest Emergency Response Roster

#### Emergency Coordinator

**Deadline for Applications: 31 August 2016**

<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Emergency Coordinator Consultant</b>
<b>Duty Station</b>	<b>Near East and African countries</b>
<b>Profile Number</b>	

#### Job Purpose

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative/Designated Responsible Official (DRO), the functional guidance of the Emergency and Rehabilitation Division (TCE), the supervision of the Emergency Response Manager in case of Level 3 emergencies, the incumbent will assist in coordinating the implementation and follow-up of FAO's emergency and rehabilitation operations and resilience strategies in the affected countries, mostly in Near East and Africa.

#### FAO's Mission and FAO in Emergencies<sup>1</sup>

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is committed to achieving food security for all by making sure people have regular access to enough high-quality food to lead active, healthy lives.

Within the framework of its Strategic Objective on resilience<sup>2</sup> ("Increase the resilience of livelihoods to threats and crises"), FAO provides support to vulnerable countries, communities, households and individuals to anticipate, absorb, accommodate or recover and adapt from disasters and crises in a timely, efficient, sustainable and gender-responsive manner.

As part of the resilience work, FAO plays a critical role in preparing for and responding to emergency needs arising from both slow and sudden onset natural disasters, food chain crises, socio-economic crises, nuclear emergencies, violent conflicts, and protracted crises that threaten the agricultural livelihoods (crops, livestock, fisheries and forestry), food and nutrition security. FAO's work in emergencies focuses on reducing people's vulnerability to hazards before, during and after disasters through risk assessment, risk reduction, preparedness, coordination, emergency response and rehabilitation. Learn more about the Organization's work in emergencies by visiting our website at <http://www.fao.org/emergencies>.

<sup>1</sup> FAO. 2014. Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations: About FAO. (<http://www.fao.org/about/en/>)

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.fao.org/resilience/home/en/>

## ***Key Functions and responsibilities***

The Emergency Coordinator will:

- provide leadership to FAO's work on emergency and rehabilitation as part of the resilience work in the country including: preparedness, needs assessment, response, programming, implementation and resource mobilization, in liaison and collaboration with the food security cluster/sector and relevant FAO personnel;
- promote FAO's resilience, focusing on emergency and rehabilitation role and programmes with government partners, UN Agencies, Regional Organizations, NGOs and donors;
- represent FAO in interagency coordination meetings and programming exercises undertaken by the humanitarian and early recovery community;
- support and facilitate field-level fora and working groups on topics related to all elements of resilience, in close collaboration with the sub-regional multidisciplinary team and relevant FAO technical units;
- support the FAO Representative in implementing FAO's resilience programmes, including emergency and rehabilitation components, providing technical and operational support and strategic guidance;
- support the FAO Representative in resources mobilization in support of the country programmes; organize regular donor meetings, as appropriate inform the donor community on the prevailing livelihoods, food security and nutrition situation, the agriculture sector (crops, livestock, fisheries and forestry)
- raise awareness on FAO's role in emergency and rehabilitation;
- support sectorial coordination through the FAO-WFP co-led Food Security Cluster/Sector in the country;
- support the identification of strategic priorities for FAO's role in emergency and rehabilitation in the affected country and contribute to improved preparedness for, and effective response to, food and agricultural threats and emergencies in the sub-region;
- develop appropriate strategic planning and management tools to improve preparedness and prevention and the emergency response approach both at country and Sub/Regional level;
- coordinate the development of FAO's contribution to inter-agency Humanitarian Response Plans (HRPs) in the country/region;
- coordinate FAO's contribution to inter-agency Post Disaster Needs Assessments and Post Conflict Needs Assessment;
- assist in setting up emergency assessment and response teams immediately to address new emergencies and provide surge capacity to country offices;
- undertake field missions as required;
- perform other related duties as required.

## ***Key Performance Indicators***

Expected Outputs:

- leadership to FAO's work on emergency and rehabilitation as part of the resilience work in the country provided and FAO's resilience, focusing on emergency and rehabilitation role and programmes with government partners, UN Agencies, Regional Organizations, NGOs and donors promoted;
- FAO Representative supported in implementing FAO's resilience programmes and in resources mobilization in support of the country programmes; regular donor meetings organized;

- strategic priorities identified for FAO's role in emergency and rehabilitation and contributed to improved preparedness for, and effective response to, food and agricultural threats and emergencies in the sub-region;
- strategic planning and management tools developed to improve preparedness and prevention;
- development of FAO's contribution to inter-agency Humanitarian Response Plans (HRPs) in the country/region coordinated, as well as to inter-agency Post Disaster Needs Assessments and Post Conflict Needs Assessment;
- assistance given in setting up emergency assessment and response teams immediately to address new emergencies and provide surge capacity to country offices;

### **Emergency Response Competency Indicators**

*All emergency response personnel are expected to exhibit the following emergency competencies:*  
Values:

- commitment to FAO emergency preparedness and response;
- respect affected populations by recognizing their culture, customs, rights, aspirations and fundamental dignity and accounting for their needs and capacities in developing and managing emergency response activities;
- respect and promote integrity and transparency; and
- adhere to the humanitarian principles of humanity, neutrality, operational independence and impartiality.

Core Competencies:

- maintain a results focus on the timely delivery of emergency response programme objectives;
- ensure inclusiveness and open communication when working with team members, partners and affected populations;
- promote a culture of information sharing and learning for continuous improvement with team members, partners and stakeholders;
- shared responsibility and demonstrated responsiveness to challenges faced by the team or any member of the team;
- actively engage with partners and promote collaboration while upholding and reinforcing the scope of the humanitarian mission and UN principles;
- demonstrate flexibility and resilience in changing and challenging emergency context;
- take responsibility for own actions and well-being;
- work effectively in a chaotic and unpredictable environment with limited amenities and support systems; and
- make decisions under pressure and in the absence of complete information and instruction.

### **Job Requirements**

Skills:

All emergency response personnel should have the following:

- excellent organizational skills;
- good written communication skills, including in emergency settings;

- demonstrated ability to analyze problems, make appropriate recommendations, effective decisions, including in emergency settings;
- strong foundation in programme formulation, planning, implementation, management and evaluation.

**Minimum Requirements:**

- Advanced University degree (Master's or equivalent) in a discipline relevant to the mandate of the Organization;
- Minimum of 7 years of relevant experience in humanitarian and agricultural/rural development sectors including work experience with national and international NGO's, UN agencies, governments and donors;
- Working knowledge of English. Limited knowledge of Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish, according to the country of assignment.

**HOW TO APPLY**

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