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Deadline For Application: 17 March 2016

POSITION TITLE:	CHIEF TECHNICAL ADVISOR	GRADE LEVEL:	P-5
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	FAO Representation	DUTY STATION:	Nyaung-U, Myanmar
		DURATION *:	Fixed term: 1 year (with possibility of extension)
		POST NUMBER:	
		CCOG CODE:	1H01b

* 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 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 depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.

Organizational Setting

Through its Country Offices, or FAO Representations, FAO assists governments to develop policies, programmes and projects to address hunger and malnutrition, and provides technical support for the sustainable development of their agricultural, fisheries and forestry sectors, resilient to natural hazards and disasters. The activities of the FAO Country Offices include design and implementation of country-tailored field programmes, liaison with local donor representatives, and active public awareness raising and outreach activities related to FAO initiatives.

Reporting Lines

The Chief Technical Advisor reports to the FAO Representative (FAOR).

Technical Focus

Livestock Sector Development

Key Results

Leadership and technical policy expertise for the planning, development and implementation of Regional Programmes of work, projects, products, services in accordance with Region objectives and FAO Strategic Objectives

Key Functions

- Plans, manages, or leads highly specialized or multi-disciplinary teams, leads, coordinates, and/or participates in Regional committees, project teams, and working groups, and/or provides technical leadership/secretariat services on technical networks and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies;
- Analyses global and country specific requirements and relevant technical issues to provide critical input into the FAO Strategic Objectives, Programme of Work, work plans and the supporting budgets and/or resourcing strategies;
- Implements and monitors programmes of work involving the development of the approach, evidence based strategies, and related tools, methodologies and the supporting system/database, monitoring and reporting frameworks;
- Conducts, designs and oversees research and analysis activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovation, technical reports, publications and/or on-going programme development as well as the provision of technical and/or policy advisory services;
- Provides technical and policy advice to Member countries and technical support to decentralized offices in the development and implementation of their programmes;
- Leads and/or 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, on-line tools;
- Represents the Organization at international meetings and conferences, identifies and implements strategic partnerships, advocates best practices and increased policy dialogue and develops and negotiates effective working relationships/consensus and agreements with international and national stakeholders;
- Leads and/or participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

Specific Functions

- Supervises the team/staff, national and international consultants, recruitment process and fulfilment of ToRs;
- Leads the Inception Period process and develop an implementation plan for presentation to LIFT fund board sub-committee
- Leads the process of livestock policy options development with stakeholders;
- Leads the process for establishment and functions of Livestock Productivity Committees in the project townships;
- Leads the process for developing the mechanisms for investment in livestock development through demand-driven sub-projects to be funded through a Livestock Productivity Fund (LPF);
- Oversees the implementation of sub-projects.
- Liaises with the University of Veterinary Science in the planning and conduct of productivity benchmarks and assessing project impact on livelihoods and food security;
- Oversees and lead the functioning of the project M&E system;
- Prepares 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;
- Prepares project progress reports 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;

- Reviews progress made towards the work plan proposed as well as the stated objectives and results on a quarterly basis, and assure the preparation of required reports;
- Plays the lead technical role in improvement of smallholder incomes through improved health, breeding, feeding and marketing

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in veterinary medicine and an advanced university degree in veterinary epidemiology or related field
- Ten years of relevant experience in animal health, infectious disease management, including regulatory aspects and standard setting.
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

Competencies

- Results Focus
- Leading, Engaging and Empowering
- Communication
- Partnering and Advocating
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement
- Strategic Thinking

Technical/Functional Skills

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is essential
- Relevant management experience and demonstrated ability to manage multidisciplinary teams;
- Demonstrated expertise and experience in the area of animal health services, breed improvement, forage/feeding systems and marketing in smallholder livestock production systems in Asia, including small and large ruminants, pigs and poultry;
- Relevant work experience in supporting the development and implementation of national livestock sector policies, local development planning systems, and business development;
- Extent of working experience in Asia and familiarity with the region and Myanmar
- Familiarity with UN agencies administrative, finance and operation system

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.
- 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://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/salaries_allowances/salary.htm

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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