



**Food and Agriculture Organization  
of the United Nations**

## **CALL FOR CONSULTANCY**

### **Food Security and Nutrition Policy Consultant (FIRST Programme)**

Contract duration: 11 months (with the possibility of extension)

Vacancy No. IRC3691

Deadline for Applications: 17 November 2016

Duty station: Yangon with travels to Naypyidaw, Myanmar

**Division/Department:** FAO Representation of Myanmar

**Programme/Project Number:** Food and Nutrition Security Impact, Resilience, Sustainability and Transformation (FIRST)

**Expected Start date of the Assignment:** 1 December 2016

### **Tasks and responsibilities:**

#### **Background**

Food and Nutrition Security Impact, Resilience, Sustainability and Transformation (FIRST) is a FAO and the European Union partnership programme with the purpose of providing a policy assistance mechanism for improved food security and nutrition and sustainable agriculture. FIRST is designed to strengthen the enabling environment for food security and nutrition and sustainable agriculture in a number of selected priority countries. FIRST will be embedded within the FAO's programme management and coordination structure. It will contribute directly to the food security, nutrition and sustainable agriculture policy and governance related results envisioned under FAO Strategic Objectives 1 and 2.

The position will be located within the Ministry of Agriculture Livestock and Irrigation (MoALI). MoALI is also in charge of fisheries, rural development and cooperatives. The consultant is expected to play an advisory role within the MoALI and contribute to create an environment for increased inter departmental coordination and inter-ministerial coordination. The consultant will also work in collaboration with other programmes providing advice to MoALI.

#### **Reporting Lines**

The Food Security and Nutrition Policy Consultant works under the direct supervision of the FAO Representative to Myanmar and under the overall technical guidance of FIRST Manager (FAO/Rome). He or she will work in close collaboration with the EU delegation, the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation (MoALI), Ministry of Health and with institutions in charge of sustainable agriculture and of food and nutrition security as well as with key development partners, in particular the Livelihood and Food Security Trust Fund (LIFT).

#### **Purpose & Duties:**

- Provides policy assistance to the Government on the most effective policies and programmes related to Food and Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture (FNSSA);

- Strengthens the capacity of the Government to design and implement FNSSA related policies and programme;
- Provides technical and policy advice and support to the Government in the development and implementation of their policies and programmes in ways that will accelerate and maximize their impact on FNSSA;
- Supports the establishment of a multi sectoral platforms and actively participate in existing platforms in order to provide guidance for decision making on the implementation of country and national policies which relate to food security and nutrition;
- Together with relevant MoALI departments, leads a stock taking exercise and analysis of the existing policies and programmes, and conducts needs assessment to identify any knowledge/analysis gap related to FNSSA;
- Prepares reports to FAO, European Union and Government on progress achieved and issues related to FIRST implementation;
- Seeks to maximize opportunities of collaboration and synergy with other development partners' programme, in particular other EU funded interventions such as LIFT the Myanmar Climate Change Alliance, the EU Policy Dialogue Facility, EU/FAO FLEGT programme and relevant regional programmes;
- Leads and/or participates in resource mobilization activities;
- Performs other duties as required, including attending relevant international conferences

### **Candidates should meet the following requirements:**

- Advanced university degree in agricultural economics, food security and nutrition and/or sustainable agriculture, development economics, or related area.
- Seven years of relevant experience in policy analysis and advice related to food and nutrition security and/or sustainable agriculture policy.
- Working knowledge of English.
- Work experience in more than one location or areas of work, particularly in field positions is desirable.
- Extent and relevance of experience in providing policy assistance and technical guidance in the context of a food security, nutrition and/or sustainable agriculture programmes.
- Extent and relevance of experience in facilitating policy dialogue and capacity development around food security, nutrition and sustainable agriculture among a wide variety of stakeholders.

### **Additional Information**

FAO seeks gender, geographical and linguistic diversity in its staff and international consultants in order to best serve FAO Members in all regions.

All candidates should adhere to FAO values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency.

### **How to apply**

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