CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Monitoring and Evaluation Expert (West and Central Africa)

Contract duration: 11 months (with possibility of renewal)

Vacancy No. IRC3756

Deadline for Applications: 27 December 2016

Duty station: Accra, Ghana

Tasks and responsibilities:

The Animal Production and Health Division (AGA) is closely working with the Emergency and Rehabilitation Division (TCE) under the Strategic Objective 5 to support various aspects of the animal health programme of FAO.

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID), under their Emerging Pandemic Threats (EPT-2) Programme, has recently granted new funding to FAO to support Africa to address the problem of emerging and re-emerging high impact zoonoses. The EPT-2 Programme is a global programme with several components for Africa, Asia and the Near East. The key components relevant for Africa include:

1. Ebola and other filoviruses surveillance in livestock in 12 countries in West, Central and East Africa.
2. Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (MERS-CoV) surveillance in livestock in 5 countries in the Horn of Africa and Near East.
3. Emergency H5N1 HPAI prevention and control in 11 countries in West and Central Africa.
4. Africa Sustainable Livestock 2050 Programme to address policy options to decrease health threats and potential environmental impacts of anticipated unregulated growth of livestock in sub-Saharan Africa.

The EPT-2 is a multi-million dollar programme covering large parts of Western, Central and Eastern Africa and Horn of Africa, the Near East and South and Southeast Asia with inputs from multiple partners, sectors and disciplines. Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) is a specific component of the programme which focuses on the development and rolling out of a harmonized M&E system for the five implementing partners of the EPT-2 (PREDICT 2, Preparedness and Response and One Health Workforce).

The M&E Expert will support the process of developing, piloting and operationalizing the M&E system for the EPT-2 in West and Central Africa.

The post is located at Accra, Ghana with frequent travel to key countries, regions and headquarters.

Reporting Lines

The M&E Expert reports to the Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO/Chief, Animal Health Services), and works under the functional supervision of the EPT2 Global Coordinator, the technical guidance of the EPT-2 Programme Officer coordinating EPT-2 M&E activities. S/he works under the direct supervision of the ECTAD Regional Manager for West and Central Africa based in Accra (Ghana) and in close collaboration with the M&E Expert for East Africa.

Technical Focus

Support and coordinate performance monitoring activities in target countries of West and Central Africa to inform corrective feedback and programme-level learning; and to build M&E capacity in target countries.
Key Results
Developing, piloting and operationalizing the M&E system for the FAO component of the USAID EPT-2 programme in West and Central Africa.

Key Functions
- Support the EPT2 M&E framework implementation and operationalization in West and Central Africa countries, including the roll-out/revision of performance indicators, data collection tools and M&E Compendium/plan;
- Assist with the development of country/sub-regional data collection tools and data collection methods for EPT2;
- Coordinate routine data collections in the assigned countries in sync with EPT2 global requirements and conduct country data Quality Assurance (QA);
- Contribute to the development of the EPT M&E repository;
- Undertake monitoring missions in assigned countries
- Develop, maintain and track Performance Monitoring Plans (PMPs) in target countries;
- In line with the EPT2 global reporting schedule, produce periodic monitoring reports progress reports;
- Provide regular backstopping to the assigned countries including workplans/country implementation plans development and ensure alignment of country-level EPT2 indicators with the Global Health and Security Agenda (GHSA) milestones;
- In collaboration with EPT2 Programme Officer and in line with global capacity-development requirements, support capacity-building activities, including designing customized (based on countries’ needs) M&E training module(s) and deliver trainings to ECTAD teams in assigned countries;
- Contribute to the preparation of ECTAD monthly and six monthly reports;
- Support effective linkages between ECTAD activities and performance as part of ECTAD contribution to the delivery of FAO Strategic Objectives at RAF. This includes among others:
  - Participate in coordination meetings on Regional Initiatives at RAF and liaise with RAF M&E focal point
  - Support ECTAD country teams to link ECTAD country programmes with Country programme frameworks (CPF)
  - Contribute to the preparation of reports to provide RAF with ECTAD performance-related inputs
- Provide support to M&E consultations at all levels;
- Perform any other duties as required.

Candidates should meet the following requirements:

Minimum Requirements
- Advance university degree in social sciences, statistics, public health or related subjects;
- 5-12 years of proven experience in Monitoring and Evaluation, preferably for a UN organization;
- Working knowledge of French and good command of English.

Competencies
- Results Focus
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Building Effective Relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement

Technical/Functional Skills
- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable.
- Extent of relevant experience at international level.

Selection criteria
Based on requirements, competencies and skills.

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

All applications are to be made through FAO's iRecruitment system. Click on the link below to access iRecruitment, complete your online profile and apply for this Call for Expression of Interest.


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