



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

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Local Steppe Expert

Contract duration: 60 days (WAE) until 30 June 2017 (with possible extension)

Duty Station: Ankara, Turkey

Vacancy No. IRC3766

Deadline for Applications: 23 December 2016

Tasks and responsibilities

Purpose of the assignment

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Sub-regional Coordinator for Central Asia and FAO Representative in Turkey, the direct technical guidance and supervision of the LTO and project Chief Technical Advisor (CTA), and in close liaison with EBA International consultant, the local steppe expert will perform the following tasks:

- Literature review in relation to the status of Anatolian steppe in the KCB in general and Pilot districts in particular, including policies, strategies and government plans.
 - Analysis of the conditions of steppe in the field by using contemporary scientific techniques,
 - Assess the status and trends of steppe, its tenurial arrangements and the effects of tenure on the health of steppe in the region. Also reflect on how much the steppe is subject to the tragedy of commons and reflect on its future.
 - Assess the overall demographic influence in general and the management practices of steppe in the pilot districts. Also reflect on the nexus of other land uses such as agriculture, forestry with the steppe.
 - Contribute to the steppe mapping process by the GIS team
 - Identify and document the best practices related to steppe management by the local people as well as by the Governmental and non-governmental institutions.
 - Develop a concise report on the above mentioned assessment
 - The extent of pollution, including from excess nutrients, are/not detrimental to ecosystem function and biodiversity.
 - Support other international consultants working on the EBA strategy and tailor the above information to be integrated in the EBA strategy.
 - After each mission prepare a brief technical report summarizing his findings, conclusions and recommendations.
 - Carry out any other activities relevant to this assignment, including ensuring and monitoring women's participation.
- Any other mutually agreed task

Expected Outputs:	Required Completion Date:
- Literature review and report of the preliminary field based assessment Report	- Within second working week
- Producing the draft on the vegetation of KCB including its status and management as required by EBA international consultant	- At the end of the third month first month
- Draft report to be subsumed in the EBA and other relevant documents.	- At the fourth month
- Final report submitted	- At the end of sixth month

Candidates should meet the following requirements

Minimum Requirements

- Master or bachelor degree in natural resources (botany, forestry, integrated NRM, etc.) with at least 10 years of relevant. The candidate should have exposure to steppe management and climate change and have fair knowledge of KCB region.
- Working knowledge of English.

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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