



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

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
International Consultant on Food Loss and Waste

Contract duration: 10 months
Vacancy No. IRC3873

Deadline for Applications: 21 February, 2017
Duty station: Bangkok, Thailand

Tasks and responsibilities:

Under the overall supervision of the Senior Food Systems Officer (Post Production) and in collaboration with relevant technical officers at RAP, the Food Loss and Waste Consultant will carry out the following duties:

Key Functions

- Plans and leads Food Loss and Waste (FLW) regional project in selected RAP countries especially focus on Myanmar and Lao PDR funded under FAO multi partner programme support mechanism (FMM)
- Lead and provide inputs on reactivating SAVEFOOD.net platform on FLW in the region; and linkages to global save food efforts and other regional and national FLW reduction initiatives
- Supports the set up and development of national initiatives in the RAP region on food loss and waste measurement and reduction
- Engages and interacts with multi sector stakeholders including government agencies, private sector and the community based organization in identifying the areas of interventions for and experiences in reducing food loss and waste
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping on the project related with food loss reduction with frequent travel to the selected RAP countries
- Support the AFS group in the development of activities related to food loss and waste reduction linking with One Health, Climate Change and Zero Hunger Challenge Regional Initiative.

Specific Functions

- Contribute to multi-disciplinary teams and provide a vision, strategy, and coherent approach on developing good practices, frameworks and knowledge (including knowledge sharing) on food loss and reduction in Asia and the Pacific region
- Organise technical meetings on food loss and waste reduction policy, strategy and planning at country and one at regional level during the project
- Build and maintain networks and partnerships with key government, civil society, research and academic organizations to achieve or enhance results and help to develop their capabilities to identify FLW levels, causes and measures for reduction and policy development in the areas of food loss and food waste reduction
- Develop Case Studies on the impact of improved postharvest handling practices and agricultural mechanization for reduction of food losses across agri-food chains
- Produce short video for raising public awareness with examples on how we can contribute to reduce food waste in our home, school, office, etc.

Key performance indicators	
Expected Outputs:	Required Completion Date:
The incumbent will provide the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical FLW reports• Case studies on food loss reduction across agri-food chains• Back to office Reports for each mission undertaken	31 December 2017

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short video on FLW reduction for public awareness• Project implementation reports• Updated information and documents on FLW in the region• The final project report by 20 December 2017 | |
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Candidates should meet the following requirements:

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in food science, food technology, post-harvest, or other closely related subject
- Seven years of relevant experience in food product development sector specialized in food loss and food waste reduction and post-harvest management systems
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the following languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish

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 essential
- Demonstrated skills in the analysis and provision of technical advice on food loss and food waste reduction
- Extent and relevance of experience in planning and implementation of programmes related to food loss and food waste reduction in development organizations
- Proven ability to mobilize resources
- Extent and relevance of experience in organizing international meetings, seminars and training courses

Selection criteria

- Experience in the United Nations or international organizations;
- Experience working with governments and other stakeholders in developing countries;
- Quality of both oral and written communication skills;
- Demonstrated ability to work as an effective team member in complex multi-cultural environments;
- Demonstrated initiative and ability to deliver results within deadlines;

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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