



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

## **CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

### **International Food Security/Cluster Coordination and IPC Officer/International Consultant**

Contract duration: 11 months (renewable)

Vacancy No. IRC3885

Deadline for Applications: 8 March 2017

Duty station: **Damascus, Syria**

#### **Tasks and responsibilities:**

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative in Syria, and the direct supervision of the Deputy FAOR, the International Food Security/Cluster Coordination and IPC officer will be responsible to provide expertise and managerial capacity for the food security and cluster coordination and IPC at country level.

The expert will, in particular, undertake the following activities:

- Provide expertise in food and nutrition security and information management to support FAO overall programme in Syria
- Co-lead the food and agriculture cluster with WFP and provide expertise to agriculture partner organizations involved in the cluster coordination
- Ensure that an efficient food and agriculture cluster partners regular and ad hoc coordination system is maintained
- Support FAO contribution to the formulation of emergency response plans for Syria led by OCHA
- Ensure appropriate links relevant stakeholders (partner organisations, ministry of agriculture, local authorities and others) is maintained to formulate FAO response to the cluster
- Ensure that FAO response to the sector is evidence based and guided by relevant assessments on the ground
- Support FAO regulars and ad hoc country level food security and information data collection (CFSAM, rapid food security assessments and others)
- Ensure links and coordination with other clusters such early recovery and nutrition to ensure coherence in FAO response for nutrition cluster
- Support FAO partner organizations and counterparts capacity building
- Provide expertise and develop a process to establish IPC at country level to support an efficient and evidence based food and nutrition security management in the country
- In close collaboration with all relevant stakeholders (WFP, UNICEF, NGOs, Ministry of Agriculture, FAO partner organisations and others) support the identification/ establishment of an IPC Technical Working Group in the country to ensure efficiency of the sector response to the crisis
- Supervise under his responsibility
- Liaise with the Regional Food and nutrition Security focal in RNE to ensure technical credibility, and consistency of the country level food security and IPC intervention
- Performance other duties as assigned

#### **Expected Outputs**

At the end of the assignment, prepare an end of assignment report articulating achievement, difficulties encountered and recommendations

**Candidates should meet the following requirements:**

**Minimum Requirements**

- Advanced University Degree in in a relevant subject (e.g. development studies, agriculture, agriculture economics, food security, nutrition)
- At least 5 years of experience, including in humanitarian and food security assessment, early warning systems, data analysis and humanitarian response;
- Humanitarian experience in Syria and countries in the region;
- Excellent interpersonal communications and coordination skills, and proven ability to work constructively with a variety of stake holders to achieve common goals;
- Excellent report writing skills;
- Proven ability to work with people of different cultures and socio-economic background;
- Language proficiency: fluent in English and Arabic will be an asset

**Competencies**

Result 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  
Previous experience in similar positions

**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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