



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

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

National Consultant: National Project Coordinator

**FAO Representation in Ethiopia
MTF/GLO/686/BMG Project: “Small Ruminants Landscaping Grant”**

Contract duration: 6 months

Vacancy No. IRC3905

Location: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Deadline for Applications: 20 March 2017

Organizational Setting:

FAO is implementing a project entitled “Small Ruminants Landscaping Grant (SRLG)”, which is funded by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. This is part of the global initiative intends to facilitate evidence-based dialogue to boost the small ruminant sub-sector as an entry point for poverty reduction. The project will attempt to identify appropriate mix of policies and technologies required to boost and eventually transform the sub-sector and develop pilot schemes and related business plans at sub-national level through full participation of key actors. FAO implements the planned SRLG project activities through the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries (MoLF) and other competent service providers. The project aims at reducing rural poverty and making agriculture more sustainable through developing the small ruminant subsector.

Key Results:

The key results of the project among others include the preparation and monitoring of Letter of Agreement and Contracts that geared towards the identification of small ruminants investment priorities and pilot business schemes; the establishment and the functioning of Small Ruminant Taskforce (SRTF); the facilitation of key actors consultation meetings and workshops; production of reports and documents analysing evidence-based policies and investments for the transformation of the subsector.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Under the overall guidance of the FAO Representative to Ethiopia, the technical supervision of the Assistant FAO Representative for Program, under the direct supervision of the Agriculture and Livestock Team Leader, and in consultation with the Livestock Production Officer in Ethiopia and the Global Project Coordinator based at FAO-HQ, the consultant will execute activities related to the timely implementation of the SRLG project activities. Specifically, the consultant would:

- Provide technical support and advice to the MoLF, Regional Livestock and Fishery Development Bureaus and other service providers to improve the project implementation;
- Coordinate the activities of the SRLG project at country level and SRTF during the project life;
- Support the implementation of the project in consistency with the project document and coordinate the monitoring and evaluation against deliverables;
- Review reports of project implementing partners for consistency and alignment with the project indicators and deliverables in consultation with the Livestock Officer of FAO-Ethiopia and Project Coordinator at FAO-HQ;
- Ensure preparation and monitoring of annual work plans and budgets in accordance to the project plan.

Specific Functions:

- Develop comprehensive small ruminants' stakeholders map;
- Hold series of consultations with appropriate directorates of the MoLF to align the project activities with Government priorities including Growth and Transformation Plan II (GTP-II) and Livestock Master Plan (LMP);
- Organize together with Service Provider(s) and in close collaboration with counterparts from the Government of Ethiopia, stakeholders dialogues identifying appropriate mix of policies/technologies and the development of the pilot schemes required to boost and transform the sub-sector;
- Assist in the proper functioning of the SRTF that critically assesses the project outputs as per the project frameworks;
- Compile and submit consolidated minutes/reports of stakeholders' consultation meetings/workshops and the SRTF recommendations to Livestock Production Officer;
- Prepare Letters of Agreements and Contract documents with partner organizations and ensure that contractual terms are met, especially with respect to timing and quality of deliverables;
- Organize workshops, meetings and events to share project's achievements and document feedbacks of stakeholders;
- Participate in MoLF meetings and workshops related to small ruminant development;
- Perform any other tasks related to the project as required and requested by the supervisor.

Candidates should meet the following requirements:

Minimum Requirements

- **Education:** An advanced University degree in Animal Production, Animal Breeding or related fields
- **Work Experience and Knowledge:** minimum of five (5) years of relevant work experience in livestock production, livestock value chain development specifically in small ruminants research and development in Ethiopia
- **Language:** Working knowledge of English and Amharic

Selection Criteria. Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Candidates should be nationals of Ethiopia;
- Extent and relevance of work experience in small ruminants research and development in Ethiopia, the development of strategies and policies on small ruminant development, and part taken in small ruminants capacity development;
- Extent of analytical skills and knowledge to critically assess the small ruminants production system in the country;
- First-hand relevant experience in coordinating stakeholders' partnerships and linkages in Ethiopia
- Previous work experience in the UN and/or FAO and knowledge of the UN system

Additional Information

FAO seeks gender, geographical and linguistic diversity in its staff and 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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