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Deadline For Application: 4 July 2017

JOB TITLE: Consultant (Value Chain and Agri-Food Systems Expert)

TYPE OF CONTRACT: Personal Services Agreement
DUTY STATION: Bridgetown, Barbados

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: SUB REGIONAL OFFICE FOR THE CARIBBEAN, SLC

DURATION: 6 months

FAO seeks gender, geographical and linguistic diversity in its staff and international consultants in order to best serve FAO Members in all regions.

Qualified female applicants and qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged to apply.

Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.

All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.

Organizational Setting

FAO's Sub Regional Office for the Caribbean is responsible for developing, promoting, overseeing and implementing agreed strategies for addressing sub regional food, agriculture and rural development priorities. It develops and maintains relations with subregion-wide institutions including Regional Economic Integration Organizations (REIOs). It assists the FAO Representations (FAORs) in the subregion with addressing subregional food security, agriculture and rural development issues at country level. The Subregional Office is a subsidiary of FAO's Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean.

The post is located in the Sub Regional Office for the Caribbean (SLC) in Bridgetown, Barbados.

Reporting Lines

The consultant will report to the Trade and Markets Officer.

Technical Focus

Integrating nutrition into agricultural policies and programmes.

Tasks and responsibilities

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Sub-Regional Coordinator for the Caribbean Island region and the direct guidance of the FAO SLC Trade and Markets Officer, the consultant will be based at the FAO Sub-regional Office in Barbados and perform the following duties:

- Prepares a work plan for the implementation of the consultancy
- Provides support with the revision of a concept note for the implementation of business model assessment and supply agreements of diverse value chains products in the Caribbean region
- Prepares an annotated table of contents for the regional discussion paper on improved farmer-market linkages of products value chains in the Caribbean;
- Provides support in the design of an outline country papers describing the potential inclusive business model with value chain overview.
- Meets with stakeholders to prepare a review of value chain of potential products and conduct the business model assessment.
- Designs a diagram models to show the flow of produce from input suppliers to final consumers, annotated value chain map with details on actors at each stage of the value chain included, it will serve as model for countries in the Caribbean.
- Provides support in the development of the implementation approach for farmer-buyer workshops to plan and agree supplies to processor buyers.
- Leads the national farmer-buyer workshops preparing a comprehensive report on the workshops.
- Provides guidance and support to prepare the situation analysis and description of the current farmer's business models in the Caribbean.
- Performs any other related duties as assigned by the supervisor.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in nutrition, nutrition policy, food studies or a related field.
- Two to four years of relevant experience in integrating nutrition into agricultural policies and programmes.
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of French or Spanish.

Competencies

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

Technical/Functional Skills

- Extent and relevance of experience and knowledge of nutrition policy and programme initiatives
- Extent and relevance of experience in nutrition
- Depth of familiarity with FAO's partner institutions (UN, NGOs, donors)
- Analytical skills and ability to prepare publications, technical reports and other relevant materials
- Ability to analyze complex nutrition issues

Please note that all candidates should adhere to *FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency*.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All applications will be reviewed and qualified applicants will be contacted for interviews.
- FAO does not charge a fee at any stage of the recruitment process (application, interview meeting, processing).
- Incomplete applications will not be considered. If you need help, or have queries, please contact: iRecruitment@fao.org
- Applications received after the closing date will not be accepted.
- Only language proficiency certificates from UN accredited external providers and/or FAO language official examinations (LPE, ILE, LRT) will be accepted as proof of the level of knowledge of languages indicated in the online applications.
- For other issues, visit the FAO employment website: <http://www.fao.org/employment/home/en/>

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website at <http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/> and complete your online profile. Only applications received through iRecruitment will be considered.

Candidates are requested to attach a letter of motivation to the online profile.

Vacancies will be removed from iRecruitment at 23:59 Central European Time (CET) on the deadline for applications date. We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline date.

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