



## Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

## CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N°: IRC4502

Issued on: 17 August 2017

Deadline For Application: 31 August 2017

**JOB TITLE:** Livestock Breeding Specialist

**TYPE OF CONTRACT:** International Consultant

**DUTY STATION:** Home based with travels to Ukraine, Georgia and Armenia

**ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:** REU

**DURATION:** 40 days WAE

*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

The Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia (REU) started a project in 2017, which aims to prepare the concept and details of development programmes for the selected breeds based on a solid assessment of the existing situation of genetic resources and their production systems. State-of-the art approaches will be used for phenotypic and molecular genetic characterization of the cattle populations concerned and their production environments. These activities require the collection of relevant data from a selected group of locations, producers and animals. To achieve the goals planned during the project, the FAO REU calls for expression of interest for the position "International Consultant on Livestock Breeding."

### Reporting Lines

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Assistant Director General for Europe and Central Asia, the direct technical guidance of the FAO Animal Production and Health Officer, Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, the International consultant on livestock development will perform work in close collaboration with the National Project Coordinators, International and National Consultants and the Ministry of Agricultures, other stakeholders and partners as well as with the project staff.

### Technical Focus

Support the implementation of the project on conservation of dual-purpose breeds in Europe and Central Asia with technical focus on developing and implementing a breeding programme in Ukraine, Georgia and Armenia.

### Tasks and responsibilities

Research, providing guidance, technical analysis and development of breeding programs in cattle.

## CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

### Minimum Requirements

- Advanced University degree in livestock production, animal production, veterinary, or equivalent.
- 7 years of experience in livestock production and breed development
- Working knowledge of English
- Limited knowledge of Russian would be considered an asset.

### FAO Core Competencies

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

### Technical/Functional Skills

- Minimum seven years of work experience in the field of livestock development, and in developing and implementing breeding programs in cattle.

### Selection Criteria

- Candidates will be assessed against the following:
- Extent and relevance of experience and expertise listed above.

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

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#### **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](mailto: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/>

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#### **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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