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Deadline For Application: 31 October 2017

JOB TITLE: ECTAD Country Team Leader

TYPE OF CONTRACT: Consultant

DUTY STATION: Various duty stations

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: EMERGENCY AND REHABILITATION DIVISION, TCE  
TECHNICAL COOPERATION DEPARTMENT, TC

DURATION: 11 months

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### Organizational Setting

The tasks envisaged for this consultancy are to be carried out through the Emergency Centre for Transboundary Animal Diseases (ECTAD), which is currently implementing a number of projects in various countries in Africa. Within the ECTAD framework, the Animal Production and Health Division (AGAH) is closely working with the Emergency and Rehabilitation Division (TCE) under the Strategic Program 5 to support various aspects of the animal health programme of FAO, including the Emerging Pandemic Threats (EPT-2) and Global Health Security Agenda Programmes.

### Reporting Lines

The ECTAD Country Team Leader works under the overall supervision of the Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO)/Chief, Animal Health Service (AGAH), the functional and administrative supervision of the FAO Representative in the country, and the technical backstopping and supervision of the ECTAD Regional Manager, and in collaboration with the EPT-2 Global Coordinator, the Head of Emergency Prevention System for Animal Health (EMPRES-AH), the TCE Emergency and Rehabilitation Officer, and the relevant sub-regional Animal Production and Health officer.

### Technical Focus

Management of the ECTAD country team, technical and management leadership and guidance, and advisory services to the FAOR on animal health issues.

### Tasks and responsibilities

- Liaise with the national Government, development partners, multi-lateral agencies and national and international non-governmental organizations, and the private sector in all matters related to high impact emerging and re-emerging zoonotic and non-zoonotic disease (rEIDs) prevention and control programmes, under the guidance and with support of the FAOR.
- Advise the FAOR and beneficiary government on technical and policy matters related to high impact transboundary animal diseases (TADs) and zoonoses in close collaboration with the sub-regional Animal Production and Health officer.
- Prepare appropriate country strategies and programmes for the management of TADs and rEIDs in close collaboration with the beneficiary government, and in line with the country priority framework (CPF), the FAO's Strategic Programs (SPs), and the UNDAF II framework.
- Contribute towards the development and implementation of the FAO country programme and ensure smooth integration of ECTAD activities within the FAO's broader country programme under the FAO Representation.
- Supervise and coordinate the preparation of project work plans, timely provision of inputs, implementation of various capacity development activities, and liaison with responsible officers at national and sub-national levels for smooth coordination and delivery of FAO-implemented projects.
- Actively engage in resource mobilization efforts including preparation of concept notes and project proposals to expand animal health related projects that are identified as priorities by the government, with the advice and support of the FAOR and leveraging existing funds.
- Maintain links with the established national networks on diagnosis and epidemiology to exchange and share technical information particularly related to priority and high impact zoonotic and non-zoonotic diseases.
- Provide leadership, supervision and managerial support to the ECTAD country team members;
- Support One Health capacity and platforms through enhancing collaboration and coordination with the public health, wildlife, environment, education, and other relevant sectors with respect to zoonotic diseases and antimicrobial resistance/use (AMR/U) using existing and new tools and guidelines.
- Conduct regular field missions in the country to monitor and ensure smooth implementation of project activities.
- Coordinate emergency preparedness and rapid response activities in the country in close collaboration with CMC-Animal Health and ECTAD regional and country teams.
- Provide technical support for the publication of inputs generated from ECTAD country and regional project activities.
- Provide regular updates of TADs epidemiology situation in the country; and provide immediate notification to GLEWS of any significant epidemiological events.

- Coordinate preparation of country reports and briefs as required by the government, FAO and donors and submit a final technical report upon completion of the assignment.
  - Perform other related duties as required.
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## CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

### Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in veterinary science and relevant post-graduate qualification in emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases (both zoonotic and non-zoonotic), veterinary epidemiology, diagnostics or related fields;
- At least 5 years of proven experience in the management and implementation of infectious disease control programmes preferably in developing countries;
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian.

### FAO Core 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 position is desirable
- Extent and relevance of experience at international level
- Experience in managing multidisciplinary teams and projects at international level
- Ability to write briefs and reports according to donors requirements
- Ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines
- Familiarity with the FAO policies, programmes and systems is desirable

### Selection Criteria

Based on requirements, competencies and skills.

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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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