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Deadline For Application: 30 January 2019

POSITION TITLE:	Technical Advisor	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Kassala, Sudan
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	FAO Representation in Sudan (FNSDN)	DURATION :	11 months extendable - short term
		POST NUMBER:	
		CCOG CODE:	1.A.11

* The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

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.

The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.

Organizational Setting

The main aim of the FAO country offices, which are headed by an FAO Representative, is to assist governments to develop policies, programmes and projects to achieve food security and to reduce hunger and malnutrition, to help develop the agricultural, fisheries and forestry sectors, and to use their environmental and natural resources in a sustainable manner. FAO's mission is to work with the Government of Sudan to help build a food-secure country, free of hunger and malnutrition, where food and agriculture contribute to improving the living standards of all, especially the poorest, in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable manner. The Organization's activities in Sudan are fully integrated with the national priorities outlined in the national plan and strategies of the country.

Reporting Lines

The Technical Advisor reports to the FAO Representative (FAOR) and under the technical supervision of the Lead Technical Officer (LTO) and the relevant Divisions at FAO Headquarters. S/he will work in collaboration with the national team of the project, government structures such as, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Animal Resources, Commissioner for Refugees of the Government of Sudan (COR) and relevant FAO technical and support staff and consultants as well as partners.

Technical Focus

- Agriculture/bio fortification of crops (focusing on Sorghum and Millet)
- Value chain (focusing on animal production, fattening and dairy, and fodder)
- Capacity development (Institutional/beneficiaries)
- Integrated Natural Resource Management

Key Results

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, development and implementation of Departmental/Division programmes, projects, products and services in accordance with Departmental/Division objectives and FAO Strategic Objectives

Key Functions

- Provides technical leadership assistance on the development, the implementation and evaluation of assigned programmes/projects; assists to the review of relevant documents and reports; identifies priorities, liaises with relevant parties; identifies follow-up actions;
- Assists to the coordination of programmes and reviews the assessments of issues and trends for the implementation of programmes and projects and the preparation of impact evaluation or equivalent studies;
- Assists/supervises preparation of various written outputs, e.g. background papers, analysis, substantial sections of reports and studies, inputs to publications;
- Contributes to consultative and other meetings, conferences, to include proposing agenda topics, identifying participants, preparation of documents and presentations
- Participate in activities; structures training workshops, seminars, makes presentations on assigned topics/activities;
- Leads field missions, including provision of guidance to external consultants, government officials and other parties;
- Provides advice to Chief Technical Advisor to develop policies and strategies as well as national protocols and guide lines for projects with specific domains related to FAO's work

Specific Functions

- Coordinates all projects/activities implemented by FAO in Kassala State and acts as a focal point for the Kassala programme;
- Represents FAO in Kassala and liaises with the State's government officials, UN Agencies, humanitarian and development partners and beneficiaries in Kassala on programme implementation and delivery;
- Oversees projects implementation including the Emergencies, Value Chain and the Food Fortifications projects activities, reviews achievements as planned, and advises on appropriate corrective or preventive actions in case of deviations from original or approved plans;
- Supports diverse groups of beneficiaries (Internally displaced persons /Refugees/host communities) and contributes to greater stability and reducing factors at the root of irregular and forced migration;

- Supports the establishment of growers/dairy producers associations;
- Facilitates contact with partners/relevant stakeholders and explore funding opportunities;
- Provide guidance to the FAO Kassala staff in all aspects of work planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, timely provision of project inputs, and delivery of outputs;
- Contributes to the screening and selection of implementing partners and organize the IPs capacity building workshop when required;
- Drafts ToRs for technical experts when and if required;
- Initiates, with support from projects staff, the procurement process by providing technical specifications and information to the Operations and Procurement Units;
- Consolidates and reviews reports and follows up on the transfer of assets when required;
- Strengthens the overall technical and analytical capabilities of the local team and acts in a supportive manner;
- Coordinates timely Needs Assessments in Kassala for effective livelihood responses and participates to Kassala cluster meetings;
- Performs other duties as required

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in political sciences, agricultural economics, development economics, rural sociology, food security, nutrition, sustainable agriculture (including livestock, forestry and fisheries), or related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in technical cooperation–related activities, policy advice and analysis relating to food and nutrition security, agriculture and rural development, monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

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 positions is desirable.
- Relevance and extent of experience in in technical cooperation–related activities, policy advice and analysis relating to food and nutrition security, agriculture and rural development, monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes
- Relevance and extent of experience in working with inter-governmental bodies and multi-disciplinary teams

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

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills.
- Your application will be screened based on the information provided in your iRecruitment online profile (see “*How to Apply*”). We strongly recommend that you ensure that the information is accurate and complete including employment record, academic qualifications and language skills.
- Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognized in the IAU/UNESCO list.
- Other similar positions at the same level may be filled from this vacancy notice and the endorsed candidates will be considered for the Employment Roster for a period of two years.
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments.

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

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