



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: IRC4067

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| Position Title: | Technical Adviser (Food Security And Agriculture Cluster Coordinator - FSAC) | Grade Level: | P-4 |
| Organizational Unit: | FAO Representation in the Republic of Yemen | Duty Station: | Yemen, Sana'a |
| | | Duration *: | Fixed term: 1 year (with possibility of extension) |
| | | Post Number: | 2006343 |
| | | CCOG Code: | 1A11 |

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 FAO Representation in Yemen is responsible for leading FAO's response to country priorities for food security, agriculture and rural development through the identification, planning and implementation of FAO's priority activities in the country. FAO Yemen has provided support not only to emergency agriculture programmes to ensure food security and improve agriculture production but has also supported early recovery and development programmes. Through its emergency and rehabilitation programmes, FAO Yemen has supported vulnerable crops, fisheries and livestock dependent households with technical support while also promoting sustainable land management practices, improved production techniques and technologies and marketing opportunities.

Reporting Lines

The Technical Adviser reports to the FAO Deputy Representative and the WFP Deputy Director. S/he will work under the general supervision of the FAO Representative and the WFP Representative/Country Director in Yemen.

She/he will work impartially with all members of the Cluster and its sub-components, and will serve and represent the group as a whole, and not as an agency officer.

Technical Focus

Timely, coherent and effective food security response by mobilizing stakeholders to respond in a strategic manner to a humanitarian crisis.

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;
- Participates 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 guidelines for projects in specific domains related to FAO's work.

Specific Functions

- Enhances and maintains appropriate humanitarian coordination mechanisms with focus on localization including capacity strengthening on coordination if/as required at national and subnational levels;
- Provides support to related coordination mechanisms (e.g. Integrated Food Security Phase Classification [IPC], National technical Working Group and the Livelihoods and Employment technical working group managed as a sub-component of the Early Recovery Cluster) and undertakes/supports needs assessment and analysis;
- Ensures appropriate participatory and community-based approaches;
- Enhances working relationship between nutrition, Global Forum on Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), health, early recovery and other relevant clusters to harmonize and coordinate needs assessment and response for Humanitarian Needs Overviews (HNOs) and Humanitarian Response Plans (HRPs) (preparation of the Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan [YHRP] 2017 mid-year review and 2018 YHRP, Flash Appeal and/or any other UN document); In coordination with other clusters, works on priority programming and coordinated response, where and when relevant;
- Ensures appropriate attention to priority cross-cutting and cross-sectoral issues (e.g. Protection, Gender, Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP) Age, HIV and AIDS, and environment) by the partners;
- Represents the Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC) at the Inter-Cluster Coordination Mechanism (ICCM);
- Coordinates sector-wide emergency preparedness and Rapid Response Mechanisms with relevant partners and national authorities;
- Establishes monitoring and reporting systems as needed through partners participation;
- In coordination with the Cluster Lead Agencies (CLAs) and FSAC partners, assesses the needs for sub national cluster(s), as in Aden for example; and if needed facilitates the formulation of sub national coordination mechanism
- Provides supervision and coaching to FSAC team and revises FSAC team structure as required; includes key humanitarian partners and development partners to bridge the gap between the development and humanitarian responses
- Promotes and ensures preparedness, risk reduction and early recovery actions along the emergency responses;
- Performs other duties as requested.

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
- Team Work
- 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.
- Working knowledge of Arabic will be considered an asset.

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 recognised 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 2 years
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments

REMUNERATION

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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.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: iRecruitment@fao.org

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