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Deadline For Application:

JOB TITLE: PPR specialist (episystem epidemiologist)

TYPE OF REQUISITION: Consultant/PSAI

DUTY STATION: Home based

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: NSAH

DURATION: 70 days (with possibility of extension)

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.
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Organizational Setting

The concept for establishing the Peste des Petits Ruminants Global Eradication Programme (PPR-GEP) was approved by the 24th Session of COAG, the 150th Session of the Council and by the 39th and 42nd FAO Conference. In March 2016, FAO and OIE established a Joint PPR GEP Secretariat based in FAO headquarters in Rome. The main role of the Secretariat is to provide overall strategic coordinated direction, as well as to advise on, or develop, cost-effective control methodologies, tools, guides and guidelines, training materials and network support for the implementation of the programme at regional and countries levels. Communication, advocacy and resource mobilisation is also part of the Secretariat roles. The incumbent will be part of the Secretariat.

Reporting Lines

Under the general supervision of the Chief Veterinary Officer and health of Animal Health Service and direct supervision of the FAO PPR Secretariat coordinator, the incumbent will focus on providing required technical support to the implementation of the PPR GEP and small ruminant production at the global, regional and national levels.

Technical Focus

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Tasks and responsibilities

1. Lead, facilitate and contribute to the implementation of the components of the surveillance system of the PPR GEP blueprint;
2. Formulate and implement surveillance strategies at all levels;
3. Analyze data (phylogenetical and not) from components of the surveillance system to assist delineating episystems;
4. Lead the formulation and implementation of the risk-based vaccination in line with the episystem approach of the PPR GEP Blueprint
5. Provide guidance for the management of small ruminant diseases;
6. Contribute to the preparation of manuals, guidelines, SOP, policy briefs, training materials among other;
7. Provide support to the PPR GEP Secretariat through among other organize events and provide technical support and regularly reports on the programme implementation;

8. Assist in the application of the risk-based surveillance techniques and ensure delivery of training programmes for the cost-effective management of PPR and other small ruminant diseases;
9. Liaise with FAO Decentralized and other partners for the implementation of PPR activities as well as develop policies, strategies, knowledge products and advocacy material to improve production hygiene and prevention practices and national regulatory systems,
10. Develop of concept notes, project proposals, projects monitoring and evaluation frameworks quality assured following the FAO Project Cycle/logical framework to attract extra-budgetary commitments as well as identify, appraise and formulate these extra-budgetary and TCP projects;
11. Provide administrative support to the Secretariat
12. Undertake other duties as required

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

1. International-recognized advanced university degree in epidemiology is required and doctor of veterinary medicine degree is desirable
2. At least ten years experience in PPR-or animal disease management related activities
3. Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the FAO languages; Arabic, French, Spanish, Chinese or 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
- Veterinarian with extent and relevance of experience in PPR control or transboundary animal diseases.
- Familiarity with data management and wildlife management

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

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 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: careers@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.
- Candidates with acceptable language certificate/s should upload them when submitting their application. For details, visit <http://www.fao.org/3/i8446EN/i8446en.pdf>.
- For other issues, visit the FAO employment website: <http://www.fao.org/employment/home/en/>
- For further information on categories, contract duration and honoraria, please refer to the [Conditions](#) page.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply, visit the recruitment website at [Jobs at FAO](#) and complete your online profile. Only applications received through the recruitment portal will be considered.

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

Vacancies will be removed from the recruitment portal 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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