

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No FAO/MCD/2015/002 Deadline: March 31, 2015

Job Title: Local Consultant in Land Consolidation (voluntary pilot)

Division/Department: REUTD

Programme/Project Number: TCP/MCD/3502 "Support to the implementation of a national land consolidation programme"

Location: Konce, Municipality of Konce, and Skopje, as appropriate

Expected Start Date of Assignment: April 15, 2015

Duration: 165 days on when actually employed basis until 1 March, 2016, with the possibility of extension.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF TASK(S) AND OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED

Under the overall supervision of the Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia, the technical supervision of the NRC Lead Technical Officer (LTO) and in close cooperation with the National Project Coordinator (NPC) of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy (MAFWE), other national institutions and the project team of international experts, national and local consultants and FAO officers, the consultant will carry out the following activities with respect to voluntary land consolidation:

- Assist the NPC, MAFWE staff, FAO officers, international experts and national consultants in the formulation of the relevant workplans, including with the organization of, and participation in, relevant project workshops, such as the national workshops, training workshops, etc.;
- Provide technical advice within the context of the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security;
- Lead the field work in the pilot community in close cooperation with the MAFWE team leader and national consultants, and ensure that gender considerations are mainstreamed in the work;
- Implement a public awareness campaign in the pilot community, through public meetings and other means, to inform beneficiaries about land consolidation, including the procedures, implications, potentials and constraints;
- Interview stakeholders and lead the preparation of a map showing ownership and use rights of the pilot community and assess options for land consolidation, and assist with the registration of abandoned land;
- Lead the preparation of the draft plan for the re-allotment of parcels in the pilot community, including:
 - o discussions with individual stakeholders regarding their interests and wishes;
 - o assessment of possibilities for re-allotment of parcels;
 - negotiation between stakeholders for the re-allotment of parcels;
 - valuation of parcels to be included in the re-allotment;
 - input to preparation of draft map showing the re-allotment of parcels;
- Assist in the socio-economic and participatory assessment of the pilot community;
- Assist in the preparation of the community area development plan for the pilot community;
- Contribute to project reports on a regular basis.

QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Recognized qualifications and sound expertise in land administration and land management, agriculture and rural development policies of sustainable management of natural resources.
- Be familiar with the relevant normative framework and possess good communication skills.
- Experience with land consolidation related activities (e.g. from land consolidation pilots) would be an asset.
- Have significant project management and team building capacity.
- Good report writing skills and working knowledge of English are essential.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

• Extent and relevance of experience and expertise listed above.

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: MARCH 31, 2015

Only shortlisted candidates will be notified.