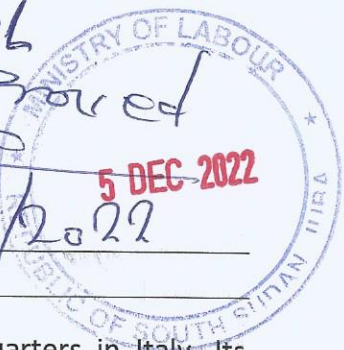




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JOB VACANCY: Market Development Officer (1)

AVSI Foundation is a global non-governmental organization with headquarters in Italy. Its mission is to support human development in developing countries according to the social teaching of the Catholic Church: recognizing the uniqueness of each person, who as such cannot be reduced to a number within an anonymous category such as “the poor, the sick, the disabled”. Furthermore, every person and every community represent a resource, regardless of their vulnerability. This is why AVSI Foundation works to help people in becoming aware of their own value and dignity. AVSI Foundation is operating in South Sudan since 2005, implementing medium to long-term sustainable health, education, water & sanitation, food security and emergency relief programmes.

The organisation is now seeking to recruit suitably qualified South Sudanese National for the position of **Market Development Officers**.

Duty Station: Torit County

Starting Date: The contract will start **ONLY UPON PROJECT AND BUDGET APPROVAL**.

Aim of the position:

The Agriculture Extension Worker will technically support AVSI Foundation Food Security and Livelihood (FSL) activities and especially the planning, organization and implementation of the targeted goals and Objectives of FSL projects, the planning and organization of Monitoring activities and technical trainings and providing on job training to the agriculture community facilitators.

Job Description:

- Ensure that Agriculture and Food Security outputs meet project objectives and are aligned with International best practice and consider cross cutting issues such as gender and sustainability;
- Ensures selection of beneficiary households within the target areas are following the approved beneficiary selection criteria.
- Assess training needs, organised and conduct trainings, workshops and meetings with Established farmers groups and alternative livelihoods groups
- Provide guidelines to the farmers and MEAL on market assessment procedures and findings with local information.
- Liaise with the cooperatives support networks at the State and County level and actively participates in all meetings and trainings related to agribusiness

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- Ensures a proximity transfer of practical knowledge and skills on agriculture entrepreneurship business management, modern agricultural practices and values chain development in general.
- Prepare annual collection, analysis and update to the FSL team with agribusiness data (access to finance, market, services and all data related to selected chain) to track the changes and impact of the project.
- Provide fair coaching or capacity building to progressive farmers and alternative livelihood groups on innovative agribusiness ideas, Income generating activities (IGA) and best practices related to the access to financial support and market.
- Participate in the identification of the capacity needs of the farmers organizations (cooperatives and progressive farmer groups) supported by the project.
- Organize and provide framings to Established farmers groups in all agricultural aspects (CSA, Value Addition (VA), Village Saving and Loan association (VSLA), Input Trade Fair (ITF) and market linkages and others).

Essential requirements

Education

- A diploma in Agriculture, Agri-business, horticulture or any other related field. Agriculture technical and social training is an advance.
- A degree in agricultural related course is an added advantage

Work experience

- At least 2-3 years of professional experience
- Previous experience with AVSI will be considered as a relevant added advantage
- Previous experience in FSL projects including inputs trading fairs, APFS/FFS and inputs distribution will be considered a strongly added advantage
- Experience with community involvement in implementation of programs
- Knowledge in agronomy, livestock production, horticulture

Required skills and experiences:

- Technical skills in implementing voucher fairs.
- Technical expertise in distribution of agricultural kits.
- Have experience in community mobilization.
- Technical skills in VSLA group establishment at an initial stage and monitoring.
- Technical skills in conducting farmers field school training and setting of demo plots.
- Extensive experience in computer (word, excel, PowerPoint) and report writing skills.
- Have high spirit of interpersonal and team work.
- Have strong individual initiative and willingness to work extra hours with minimum or no supervision.



How to Apply:

Applications should include updated **Curriculum Vitae (CV)** of maximum 3 pages, **National ID** and **cover letter** of maximum one page **ONLY**. Please do not attach other documents in this phase, it will be considered as a sign of inability to follow guidelines

In the cover letter the candidate should briefly describe his or her motivation for the position and **highlight relevant experience.**

The above documents can be delivered to AVSI Foundation Office in the State:

- AVSI Foundation Office in Juba – Head office. Jerusalem House - Mobil Roundabout, Juba
- AVSI Foundation Field Offices -Torit, and Magwi

Or send in soft copy to Victoria.Yobu@avsi.org, parek.maduot@avsi.org
cc Abrigo.Geoffrey@avsi.org cc Aziz.musema@avsi.org

ONLY SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES WILL BE CONTACTED.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS **December 27th 2022**
Due to the urgency of these roles, AVSI reserves the right to shortlist applications prior to the closing date.

