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Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Juba South Sudan
Policy Officer Food and Nutrition Security (POFNS)

Job description

General information

Imatong Employment Solutions is working with The Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Juba to recruit a Policy Officer Food and Nutrition Security.

The Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Juba is one of the leading partners in food and nutrition security, water, rule of law and humanitarian assistance with a delegated annual budget of over Euro 25 million per year. Through the Dutch Multiannual Country Strategy 2019-2022, the Embassy aims to contribute to overall stability in South Sudan by supporting political, economic and social development processes in the country. Within the food and nutrition security portfolio we specifically aim at contributing to the development of sustainable food systems. The Embassy's activities promote multi donor collaboration through, among others, the Partnership for Recovery and Resilience (PfRR). In achieving its objectives, the Embassy considers the focus on gender, conflict sensitivity, climate change, private sector development and youth empowerment as critical cross cutting components.

Job description.

To contribute to realizing the above objectives, the Embassy is currently looking for a Policy Officer for Food and Nutrition Security who will directly contribute to the management of its food and nutrition security portfolio. This assignment entails the management of delegated funds with due attention to and cooperation with programmes funded centrally by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Policy Officer will closely follow national developments in the relevant areas and will contribute to policy discussions and policy development at the Embassy. The Policy Officer will perform her/his roles with close collaboration and support of the Policy Officer Water and the First Secretary Development Cooperation.

The candidate we are looking for should be an excellent team player yet she/he should also be able to take up her/his duties independently. She/he is knowledgeable in the food and nutrition security sector of South Sudan and has relevant professional contacts in the sector to aid the day to day activities of this job description. She/he should be able to support and guide the implementation of the program activities as well as translate lessons learned into policies and strategies. The candidate should be able to perform under pressure and time constraint at different levels with a multitude of

contacts. The candidate should be able to represent the Embassy at various levels. The candidate must also be able to plan and organise her/his work independently and in a transparent manner.

NB: This assignment will be performed on full time basis (i.e. 40 hours a week).

Responsibilities:

The Policy Officer for Food and Nutrition Security will, in close cooperation with, and under coordination of the First Secretary Development Cooperation:

- Actively contribute to policy discussions and dialogue by amongst others translating developments and lessons learnt in the food security sector into policy advice for the Embassy.
- Actively take part in and initiate programmatic and policy discussions within the Embassy and between the Embassy and The Hague.
- Closely monitor developments in the food security sector and keep development cooperation section and The Hague fully informed through regular (written) updates.
- Operationalize Dutch Development Cooperation Policy in the area of food security with main focus on sector specific results (mainly at impacts, outcomes levels and output levels). This includes development of new and innovative project ideas, assessment of proposals from partners and selection of competent implementers, etc.
- Build and develop a relevant and operational network of contacts within the South Sudan Government, NGOs and research institutes as well as in the international donor community.
- Monitor the implementation of the Dutch funded (program) activities (both from the Embassy and the Ministry) in food security sector in South Sudan, from 'behind the desk' as well as through field visits (where possible).
- Identify possibilities to achieve synergy with other spearheads such as humanitarian response, peace and stability.
- Actively look into possibility of creating synergy between the other spearhead portfolios – water and Rule of law – as well as the other cross cutting items: gender, climate change, conflict sensitivity, private sector development, youth empowerment, etc.
- Carry out the day to day management of projects under the food security portfolios through assessing proposals on feasibility, taking into consideration the annual budget of the Embassy as well as the organisation requesting funds; ensuring timely receipt of plans and progress reports (including financials and audits) of current program activities, timely assessment of these plans and reports together with support from First Secretary Development Cooperation and the controlling unit, drafting responses based on the conclusion drawn upon after the assessment and informing the implementing agencies thereof; assessing payment requests submitted by the agencies. Timely archiving of documents (digitally); etc.
- For administrative and financial matters relating to project administration maintain close cooperation with the financial and controlling unit of the Embassy.
- Stand in for First Secretary Development Cooperation or Policy Officer Water, during leave time to ensure continuity of program implementation.
- Respond to queries and questions from headquarters.
- Represent the Embassy in relevant meetings in the food security sector.

- Perform any other duties as may be assigned by the Embassy from time to time.

Requirements:

- Education at Masters level in the areas of agriculture, development management, economic development, natural resources management, etc. with at least 5 years relevant experience in South Sudan in the area of project development and management.
- Team player, focussed on further developing the one-team approach.
- Demonstrated experience in results management (results monitoring, analysis and evaluation).
- Strong knowledge and experience in policy dialogue and policy development in the food security sector, natural resources management, livelihoods development, etc.
- Extensive network (including public and private actors) in the food and nutrition security sector in South Sudan.
- Prior experience working closely with a bilateral donor is appreciated.
- Experience in management for results, including monitoring and evaluation.
- Ability to write clear reports and papers.
- Ability to work both in a team and independently; ability to function under stress.
- Fluency in English; knowledge of (Juba-) Arabic and local languages is appreciated.

To apply:

Interested qualified candidates are encouraged to apply by latest close of business on 30 September 2021. The application package should include a formal application letter, CV and 2 work references, plus copies of national ID or South Sudanese passport.

Applications should be submitted by email to info@imatongemploy.com Subject-line must be "APPLICATION POLICY OFFICER FOOD AND NUTRITION SECURITY"

Hard copies may be dropped to the Imatong Employment Solutions office in Hai Kuwait – please contact +211 921 277 383 for directions.

Please note that incomplete applications will be disregarded. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Questions regarding the position can be directed to e-mail: info@imatongemploy.com – please mark the e-mail with "Questions – Policy Officer Food and Nutrition Security"

