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Job Advertisement - Food Security & Livelihoods Specialist

South Sudan Monitoring Evaluation and Learning Support (MELS) Activity, South Sudan

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Project Summary:

The MELS activity is USAID/South Sudan's primary mechanism for monitoring, evaluation, learning, and adaptive management, supporting USAID's activities and programs within the Mission. MELS operates in a dynamic environment and offers USAID/South Sudan flexible and demand-driven technical, analytic, and advisory assistance. The primary objectives of MELS are to enhance collaboration, learning, and adaptive management (CLA), foster institutional memory, generate monitoring, evaluation, and learning outputs as needed, strengthen knowledge management and organizational learning (KMOL), improve organizational effectiveness and operational efficiency, and facilitate data-driven decision-making through the effective utilization of GIS and other innovative spatial analysis techniques.

****Please note: Only South Sudanese citizens are eligible for this position****

Position Summary:

The Food Security and Livelihoods (FSL) Specialist will provide technical advice, assistance, and guidance to the USAID/South Sudan Bureau of Humanitarian Affairs (BHA) and Implementing Partners on agriculture, food security, and livelihood issues. S/he will play a significant role in verifying activities implemented under the USAID/Bureau of Humanitarian Affairs (BHA) South Sudan portfolio. The FSL Specialist will also play an integral role in the drafting, editing, and overall quality control of Third-Party Monitoring (TPM) reports studies, and other MELS reporting deliverables related to Health. The position reports directly to the Deputy TPM Manager. This is a Long-Term Technical Assistance (LTTA) position based in Juba, South Sudan.

Responsibilities:

- Provide technical guidance on program implementation through third-party monitoring visits following BHA requirements.
- Advise BHA and Implementing Partners on all technical aspects of agriculture, food security, and livelihoods, ensuring a practical approach to achieving milestones and suggesting ways to improve performance, particularly regarding program performance.
- Liaise with the Implementing Partners to schedule site visits and access monitoring reports.
- Support the development of tools and conduct monitoring visits to determine the extent to which BHA Implementing Partners have due diligence in overseeing the use of BHA resources.
- Compile TPM reports and convene adaptive learning sessions with the Mission as required.

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- Make recommendations to address agriculture, food security, and livelihood concerns and inform the BHA strategy for future emergency interventions in food-insecure regions of South Sudan.
- Conduct Data Quality Assessments to verify the accuracy of data and needs assessments reported by implementing partners and other organizations.
- Provide day-to-day operational and program support on all agriculture, food security, and livelihood monitoring activities.
- Provide technical support in preparation of evaluation and assessment related to Scopes of Work (SOWs) for studies requested by the Mission.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree or advanced degree in a field relevant to agriculture, food security, and livelihoods, such as agriculture and international development.
- At least five years of experience in food security and monitoring and evaluation.
- Excellent writing/organization skills and a demonstrated ability to deliver a quality written product (Evaluation Report and PowerPoint);
- Experience using computer/data analysis software including Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Creative Suite, and database management systems; household-level food security analysis skills or experience with the Household Economy Approach preferred.
- Demonstrated experience with emergency response and disaster mitigation programming, vulnerable group feeding, and/or food for asset methodologies.
- Experience in conducting evaluations or surveys in livelihoods and food security; experience on past BHA evaluations or surveys is a plus
- Knowledge of the social, political, and economic factors affecting the livelihoods and food security of rural populations in South Sudan.
- Language capability relevant to conducting interviews with the ethnic groups targeted by the project's activities.
- Experience in recovery and disaster mitigation in post-conflict settings.
- Proven technical and management skills to manage the budget resources (dollars and staff) for the field monitoring visits and assist and support the team with field logistics and meeting arrangements.
- Experience in carrying out fieldwork in South Sudan preferred.
- Excellent interpersonal skills, including working well with field-based, local staff via telephone and e-mail.

Only candidates who have been selected for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls, please. MSI is an EEO/AA/ADA Veterans Employer.

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The closing date for applications is **November 20th, 2023**. We will review resumes on a rolling basis and the vacancy may be filled before this deadline. We encourage early applications. Please be advised that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

How to Apply:

Hand deliver and addressing your application to Integrity Global MELS Human Resources and Administrative Manager, Goshen House, Gate 1 or by email: ssmels.recruitment@integrityglobal.com

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