

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

National Technical Coordinator: REBYC-III CLME+ and EAF4SG FAO Projects (4 POSTS – One in each participating country)

Application Deadline: February 21st, 2024, 11:59 p.m. (GMT-4)

Job Description

The Faculty of Food and Agriculture invites suitably qualified candidates to apply for the position of **National Technical Coordinator: REBYC-III CLME+ EAF4SG FAO Projects** to be implemented by **The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus**, Trinidad and Tobago. There are 4 positions available, one in each participating country -Barbados, Guyana, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago.

BACKGROUND:

Project Title: Strategies, technologies, and social solutions to manage bycatch in tropical Large Marine Ecosystem Fisheries (REBYC-III CLME+). Project budget is USD 5.3 million with a duration of 48 months.

The objective of the *REBYC-III CLME+* project, is to manage bycatch and reduce discards in the Caribbean and North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystems (CLME+) thereby promoting sustainable and responsible fisheries that provide economic opportunities while ensuring the conservation of marine living resources, and in doing so support country implementation of the CLME+ SAP (particularly Strategies 2, 3 and 5). The participating countries are Barbados, Guyana, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago.

Project Title: Enhancing capacity for the adoption and implementation of Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries (EAF) in the shrimp and groundfish fisheries of the North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystem (EAF4SG). Project budget is USD 1.7 million with a duration of 48 Months.

The objective of the *EAF4SG project* is to advance adoption and implementation of the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries (EAF) in the shrimp and groundfish fisheries in the North Brazil Shelf Large Marine Ecosystem (NBSLME), supporting implementation of the CLME+ Strategic Action Programme, specifically Strategy 6 on the development and implementation of EAF for the NBSLME shared shrimp and groundfish resources. The participating countries are Guyana, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago.

TENURE OF CONTRACT:

The post of National Technical Coordinator (NTC) will be for an initial period of one year, with possibility of annual renewal for the duration of the project, up to four years subject to performance.

DUTY STATION:

Four Positions – One in each participating country (Location within country), with travel as required.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

Candidates should possess:

- Advanced university degree in Fisheries, Environmental Management, Natural Resource management or related fields.
- At least five years' experience in field project implementation and/or management in fisheries or related oceans and marine issues, including field experience in developing countries. Experience working with one or more of the participating national fisheries agencies is desirable.
- Solid and demonstrated understanding of the technical aspects of the field of fisheries and the marine environment, including understanding of international fisheries conventions, internationally accepted best practices and relevant agreements, fisheries management planning and EAF and a good understanding of fisheries data collection and monitoring, bycatch mitigation and strengthening of fisheries value chains.
- Good oral and written communication skills in English and for the Suriname NTC, limited knowledge of Dutch.
- Knowledge of FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and related guidelines

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Under the supervision of the Project Steering Committee (PSC), the overall direction and supervision of the Technical and Project Coordinator (TPC) and the Lead Technical Officer (LTO), and working in close collaboration with national fisheries agencies and partners, the National Technical Coordinator (NTC) will be responsible for supporting the International Consultants (LTAs) and National Consultants (NC) with technical and operational implementation of project activities at the national and local level. Specifically, the incumbents will:

- Be responsible for the implementation of national work plans, supporting national activities in the country, supervising national project staff and consultants and preparing contractual arrangements.
- Prepare national work plans and budgets and submit these to the TPC for clearance and incorporation into overall project annual reports and budgets.
- Ensure that monitoring mechanisms are in place at the national and local level allowing for tracking project progress according to targets established in national work plans as well as to outcome indicators in the Project's Results Framework.
- Provide progress reports to the TPC for compilation into overall Project Progress reports.
- Liaise with relevant national organizations and partners, and support communication, coordination and collaboration.
- Provide technical backstopping for all project activities, as required, through technical oversight and support to ensure the quality of the work performed by national consultants.
- Organize and facilitate national workshops, meetings, travel and procurement

planned under each Project component, working in close collaboration with national and international consultants, staff of national fisheries agency and other national/local partners.

- Participate in project regional workshops and meetings and represent the project in relevant national events and conferences.
- Perform other related duties as required.

TECHNICAL / FUNCTIONAL SKILLS:

- Proven capacity to work with and establish working relationships with medium to high-level government and non-government representatives;
- Proven capacity as a team leader and team builder in developing countries;
- Experience in working with international donors including bilateral donors;
- Familiarity with the Government agencies responsible for fisheries and maritime affairs, especially those with mandate on fisheries in the project area.
- Experience in preparing project technical and financial reports; and
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English

REPORTING LINES:

The National Technical Coordinators from the participating countries will operate under the supervision of the Project Steering Committee, the overall direction and supervision of the Technical and Project Coordinator (TPC) and the Lead Technical Officers (LTO) of the **REBYC-III CLME+** and **EAF4SG Projects**.

RENUMERATION PACKAGE:

- A remuneration of USD 1250 per month is being offered.

HOW TO APPLY:

To apply, applicants are asked to send an email indicating their interest in the position together with a full curriculum vitae to the Technical and Project Coordinator, Faculty of Food and Agriculture, Frank Stockdale Building, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus, Trinidad and Tobago, W.I. via email at Fisheries.Proj@sta.uwi.edu

The subject of the email applications should be identified as **Vacancy: National Technical Coordinator: REBYC-III CLME+ and EAF4SG Projects**.

Applications received after the deadline date will not be considered.

Please note that unsuitable applications will not be acknowledged.

