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Vulnerability Analysis & Mapping Officer (Data Scientist), FT-NOB, RB Dakar

Organization: WFP - World Food Programme

Location: Dakar

Grade: Junior level - NO-B, National Professional Officer - Locally recruited position

Occupational Groups:

Statistics

Information Technology and Computer Science

Nutrition

Scientist and Researcher

Food Security, Livestock and Livelihoods

Closing Date: 2023-07-17

???? Vacancy Announcement n°: 828106

???? Job Title: Vulnerability Analysis & Mapping Officer (Data Scientist)

? Grade: National Professional Officer, NOB

???? Duration: 12 months (renewable subject to performance and availability of funds)

? Unit / Division: Research, Assessment and Monitoring (RAM)

???? Duty Station: Regional Bureau Dakar, Senegal

? Closing date: 16 July 2023

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WFP seeks candidates of the highest integrity and professionalism who share our humanitarian principles. Selection of staff is made on a competitive basis, and we are committed to promoting diversity and gender balance. Female Candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

ABOUT WFP

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BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF THE ASSIGNMENT:

This position is based in the Research, Assessment and Monitoring (RAM) Unit of the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) Regional Bureau for Western Africa (RBD) in Dakar, Senegal. Under the overall guidance of the Senior RAM Advisor, the Vulnerability Analysis & Mapping Officer (Data Analyst) will report to the RAM Officer (Food Security and Market Analyst) and be part of the RAM Unit's Pillar 2 (FSNMA).

PURPOSE:

To deliver budget and resource analysis and programming activities, and provide support to Country Offices, partnering with and supporting managers in the application of best practice approaches for the efficient, effective, and compliant utilization of funds.

ACCOUNTABILITIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:

Support on refining and extending R based interface/syntax for consolidating/standardizing country level Food Security Estimates into a regional database.
Support in the modelling of food security data and projections of price data to facilitate better planning of WFP operations.
Support COs/RBD in price data upload on Databridge, update regional dashboard and market assessments data processing.
Promote the use of new information and communication technologies for the collection of survey data within WFP (RBD/COs) and its partners (Government/NGOs) through capacity building on the development and use for data analysis.
Contribute to the development of VAM projects and activities, plans and processes, ensuring alignment with wider WFP policies and guidance.

Support the development of systems and tools for the monitoring and assessment of food assistance needs in line with innovative methodologies and best practice.

Support the development of food security and vulnerability analysis and the preparation of timely reports on food assessment needs in line with wider VAM policies, processes and guidance to enable effective decision-making on the development of country strategy, policies and programmes.

Provide assistance on the coordination of data gathering and monitoring systems ensuring that rigorous quality standards are maintained.

Liaise with implementing partners (internal and external) to monitor ongoing projects, ensuring effective collaboration, timeliness and efficiency and highlight potential risks to project delivery.

Support the capacity building of WFP staff, partners and national government to conduct vulnerability analysis to effectively inform preparedness and response activities.

Provide support to relevant partners that are focusing on food security and nutrition issues to enable sharing of experience, lessons learned and best practice.

Guide and supervise more junior staff, acting as a point of referral and supporting them with analysis and queries.

Represent WFP in meetings with other units involved and with partners to contribute to technical discussions (such as Cadre Harmonisé, FSNWG, ...etc.), exchange of knowledge/experiences, and areas potential collaboration.

Act in an assigned emergency response capacity as required to meet emergency food assistance needs.

Other as required.

Education:

You have

Advanced university degree (Master's degree equivalent, BAC+4/5) (recognized by? https://www.whed.net/home.php) in Economics, Agricultural-Economics, Food Security, Statistics, Data Science, Public Health/Nutrition, Geography or other related fields or First University degree (Bachelor's degree equivalent, Licence/BAC +3) with additional years of related work experience or trainings/courses.

Should you not find your university degree in this link kindly note that it will be your responsibility to obtain a formal letter from your Ministry of Education stating their recognition of the university and degree

Experience:

You have:

At least three (3) years of progressively responsible professional postgraduate (Master's) experience in data management and analysis activities or a minimum of five (5) years of professional experience in the same fields for First University degree holders. Practical expertise in food security analysis and mapping by participating in multiple assessments in countries, including the design, data collection and analysis activities is highly desirable.

Languages: Fluency (level C in reading, writing and speaking) in English and French.

The following Experiences, Knowledge & Skills are required or an advantage:

Experience using a variety of quantitative and qualitative analysis tools and methods.
Good Knowledge of analytical and programming language such as VBA/macro, R, Python, SQL, etc.
Knowledge of R and related applications including RStudio and RStudio Connect.
Experience in the food security and market analysis of WFP programmes is an asset.
Deadline for application: 16 July 2023

WFP Value Proposition

Meaningful and impactful careers - Our day-to-day work makes a difference in the lives of the people we serve.
Continuous learning and training - We provide learning tools for our staff to continually

develop their careers.

Multicultural and stimulating working environment - We encourage gender and cultural diversity to make our teams stronger.

All employment decisions are made based on organisational needs, job requirements, merit and individual qualifications. WFP is committed to providing an inclusive work environment free of sexual exploitation and abuse, all forms of discrimination, any kind of harassment, sexual harassment, and abuse of authority. Therefore, all selected candidates will undergo rigorous reference and background checks.

No appointment under any kind of contract will be offered to members of the UN Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ), International Civil Service Commission (ICSC), FAO Finance Committee, WFP External Auditor, WFP Audit Committee, Join Inspection Unit (JIU) and other similar bodies within the United Nations system with oversight responsibilities over WFP, both during their service and within three years of ceasing that service.

Female applicants and qualified applicants from developing countries are especially encouraged to apply. WFP has zero tolerance for discrimination and does not discriminate on the basis of HIV/AIDS status.

Selection of staff is made on a competitive basis, and we are committed to promoting diversity and gender balance

Special Notice on WFP RBD office relocation:

WFP and other UN Agencies will be moving to the new United Nations House, presently under construction in Diamniadio, 30 kilometres from downtown Dakar. The name of the duty station for this position will remain Dakar, Senegal.

Special recommendation:

Before you apply, please confirm that both (i) your on-line profile and CV are accurate and up to date, (ii) your CV should include your employment history, academic qualifications, and language skills.

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