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Job Description

Field Officer WEFE Project

Job title	Field Officer
Type of contract	Full time Fixed term – 3 months (Extension subjected to the availability of fund and performance)
Project	Establishment and Institutionalization of WEFE Nexus Hub for MENA
Location	Wadi Feiran, Sinai, Egypt
Report to	Project Leader in Amman, Jordan
Announcement date	8 September, 2024
Deadline	17 th of September, 2024
Expected starting date	22 nd of September, 2024

Overview

The primary responsibilities of the Field Officer for the WEFE Project will be to facilitate seamless coordination and execution of project activities related to water, energy, food, and the ecosystem (WEFE), and assist the Technical Expert in carrying out his/her duties. The activities under this position are planned to take place in Wadi Feiran Basin, Sinai Peninsula, Egypt.

About INWRDAM

INWRDAM is a “Think & Do Tank”, as it aims to promote resolutions for water related conflicts by fostering dialogue and collaboration. Water is a resource for human survival and its scarcity often creates tension within communities and nations globally. By prioritizing negotiation techniques that encourage cooperation among involved parties and advocating for water management practices we can effectively address this issue. Our research efforts and advocacy campaigns focus on enhancing understanding, among stakeholders with the goal of bridging their interests through approaches that benefit everyone.

About the WEFE Project

The WEFE Nexus for Sustainable Development for MENA Project is a two-year project implemented by INWRDAM, and is funded by a generous grant from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) and the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM). The project targets MENA countries, with a thorough focus on Jordan, Egypt and Lebanon. Recognizing the current state-of-the-practice and the importance of a comprehensive multi-componential approach to addressing problems arising from the limited key resources, including water, energy and food, INWRDAM is keen on adopting, institutionalizing and operationalizing the WEFE Nexus approach. It is for this reason that INWRDAM is keen on partnership with the UfM to develop the WEFE Nexus Hub.

The overall objective of this project is to enhance the management of water, energy and food security within the MENA region ensuring socio-economic and environmental sustainability. The **Specific Objectives (SOs)** of the project include the following:



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- **SO1:** Improved availability and access to WEFE Nexus approach through Institutionalization of a WEFE Nexus Hub within INWRDAM in a stakeholder participatory process.
- **SO2:** Enhance WEFE Nexus policy development and advocacy.
- **SO3:** Build Capacities in the MENA region in WEFE Nexus approach.
- **SO4:** Test of WEFE Nexus approach concepts through pilot projects.

This Field Officer is responsible on tasks under **SO4** of the WEFE Nexus Project. The expected outcome of achieving **SO4** is “**implemented pilot projects**, which will include physical infrastructure, equipment, etc. depending on projects selected”. The Pilot in Sinai involves constructing 50 mountain lakes in Wadi Feiran, considering other WEFE components.

Responsibilities

Technical Support

- Assist the Technical Expert in carrying out his/her duties including summary of state-of-practice tools and methods, and summary of implemented or ongoing WEFE Nexus initiatives.
- Contribute to the identification of WEFE pilot projects.
- Support implementation oversight on behalf of INWRDAM.
- Provide support to the WEFE Pilot Implementation Partners.

Project Coordination and Support:

- Collaborate with the project team to plan, implement, monitor, and evaluate project activities.
- Coordinate with the implementing partners to follow up progress, adhering to timelines and milestones.
- Provide technical support in Water-Energy-Food-Ecosystem Nexus and insights throughout the project lifecycle.
- Coordinate with the project team and beneficiaries for training facilitations, and documentation.

Stakeholder Engagement:

- Collaborate with various stakeholders such as governmental entities, local mayors, project beneficiaries, local communities, and implementing partners.
- Facilitate communication and coordination among different stakeholders to ensure alignment with project scope, and timeline.
- Facilitate effective communications and meetings with local stakeholders and implementing partners.

Reporting and Communication:

- Maintain comprehensive project documentation, including reports, progress updates, and technical documentation preferably in English.
- Identify and address challenges and risks through regular progress and field reports, and successfully communicate them to the project management.
- Suggest mitigation measures for identified risks and challenges.



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- Develop and collect needed documents for the Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E).
- Maintain clear and open communication channels among team members and stakeholders.
- Maintain accurate project records.

Qualifications

- Bachelor degree in civil engineering, construction, environmental sciences, natural resources management, sustainable development, agriculture, or any relevant field.
- At least 10 years of experience in related roles, preferably with an experience working with NGOs.
- Experience in working in Sinai is a must.
- Solid knowledge of water issues, water harvesting, water management challenges and the WEFE Nexus concept are mandatory.
- Experience in following up with contractors and field work.
- Experience in coordinating with local stakeholders.
- Experience in reporting progress and field works, in both Arabic and English.

Skills

- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal abilities.
- Ability to work in a team, and independently.
- Highly motivated, passionate, and active team member.
- Fluent in Arabic and English languages, writing, speaking and listening.

This vacancy notice may be used to fill other similar positions at the same grade level. We encourage early applications, and can commence the shortlisting and interview process prior to the closing date of this application. Only selected applicants will be contacted.