

CALL FOR A POOL OF SHORT TERM EXPERTS EPIDEMIOLOGY AND MICROBIOLOGY

1. Background information:

The International and Ibero-American Foundation for Administration and Public Policies (FIIAPP) is currently preparing an offer for the EU-funded project: "Improved Management Outbreaks in the CBRN Centres of Excellence Partner Countries of the African Atlantic Façade".

FIIAPP is looking for "EXPERTS IN EPIDEMIOLOGY AND MICROBIOLOGY", to be included in the pool of Non Key Experts in the referred proposal.

2. Information of the Project:

The overall objective of this Project is to improve the regional level of preparedness and response to outbreaks crisis (biological risk mitigation) in the CBRN CoE partner countries belonging to the African Atlantic Façade Region and neighboring countries.

The Project wishes to achieve the following results:

- Developed and/or strengthened CBRN CoE regional team or network of health preparedness and response reference experts and laboratories;
- Reduced occurrence and scale of epidemics by improving preparedness, large scale exercises, disease surveillance (with a priority for identified high risk zones), early detection and early identification;
- Developed or improved regional coordinated emergency response plans;
- Improved quick response to outbreaks in order to minimize disease transmission.

In order to achieve these results, the project has been organized in five main Working Packages (WP):

1. Work Package 1: Lessons learned - Establishing a regional team and network
2. Work Package 2: Fact finding. Review of the legislative framework and risk management systems in place for preparedness, surveillance, detection and control of infectious diseases in the AAF region
3. Work Package 3: Strengthened regional prevention, surveillance and preparedness capacities for fighting epidemics in the AAF region
4. Work Package 4: Strengthened response and recovery capacities for epidemics in the AAF region. Regional exercises
5. Work Package 5: Feasibility study and business plan for setting up a regional master for biological outbreaks managers in the AAF region.

In that sense, FIIAPP is creating a Pool of Short Term Experts that will be mobilized for the described activities, provided FIIAPP is awarded the contract.

3. Experts' profiles:

The profile of the experts for this contract are as follow:

Qualifications and Skills:

- ✓ Engineering/Scientific/Medical/Biomedical University Degree, with specialization in health crisis management, microbiology, infectious diseases, clinical microbiology, epidemiology and equivalent.
- ✓ Good experience in training needs assessment, training methodologies and training management.
- ✓ Experience in measurement and testing, detection and diagnostics of pathogens and proficiency testing schemes.
- ✓ Ability to communicate at all levels and facilitate exchanges among people of different cultures and background.
- ✓ Ability to monitor the progress of contract-related activities and reporting.
- ✓ Fluency in French is mandatory, English necessary.

General Professional Experience:

- ✓ At least 10 years of professional experience
- ✓ Working knowledge in training on the following matters: health crisis management, microbiology, infectious diseases, clinical microbiology and epidemiology

Specific Professional Experience:

- ✓ At least 5 years of experience in health crisis management, epidemiology in Public health services or related services in the African Atlantic Façade Region

Interested candidates who meet the above criteria are invited to send their CV in English or French to eutrilla@fiiapp.org; votero@fiiapp.org; egarnes@fiiapp.org. The call is open until 15th of October 2015