

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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ORGANIZATIONAL LOCATION:	UN-HABITAT
DUTY STATION:	Juba, Southern Sudan
FUNCTIONAL TITLE:	Project Manager – Temporary Appointment
LEVEL:	P-2
DURATION:	10 months (renewable depending on availability of funds, and performance)
CLOSING DATE:	18 March 2015

BACKGROUND

The conflict that began in December 2013 in South Sudan continues to affect the lives of millions of people. It has been marked by brutal violence against civilians and deepening suffering across the country. The major humanitarian consequences are widespread displacement due to the violence; high rates of death, disease, and injuries, severe food insecurity and disrupted livelihoods, and a major malnutrition crisis. This crisis has disrupted an already weak service delivery system, particularly in those states most affected by conflict. South Sudan was already fragile before the current crisis, and other parts of the country continue to be affected by food insecurity, disease outbreaks, malnutrition and other threats to lives, livelihoods and well-being. Infrastructure is severely underdeveloped. About 60 per cent of roads are impassable in the rainy season, which lasts about 5-6 months. In addition, basic services such as health, social welfare, water and sanitation, nutrition, and education, have low coverage. Further, explosive remnants of the conflict contaminate roads, towns, and agricultural areas.

The interventions carried out under this project respond to the continuous need to improve living standards and provide durable solutions for the reintegration of returnees in the two targeted locations in Central Equatoria and Western Bahr el Ghazal States. In particular, the project aims to improve flood resilience, water and sanitation and food security of IDPs, returnees and host communities in these two locations, thus, directly contributing to implementation of the United Nations' South Sudan Humanitarian Response Plan 2015.

The project is designed for a quick and measurable impact: build flood resilience, provide clean water supply, improve sanitation, support livelihoods and reintegration within host communities in a planned manner. Planning and capacity building of government authorities is included through a form of on-the-job trainings through agreements of cooperation between UN-Habitat, relevant Government Ministries and other local partners, including communities themselves, which would lay the foundation for similar improvements in other affected areas.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Reporting to the Officer in Charge of South Sudan at the Regional Office for Africa (ROAf) in Nairobi, and working in close cooperation with the Risk Reduction and Rehabilitation Branch and Urban Basic Services Branch and other relevant sections of UN-Habitat, the Project Manager will be responsible for programme management, implementation and reporting and coordination with other UN agencies and relevant Government bodies. The Incumbent will be responsible for the following:

- **Project management:** Ensure effective and efficient execution of the project by working in close collaboration with the relevant institutions at the National Government, State and local levels and providing appropriate technical and management support through project work planning, budgeting, procurement, monitoring of project activities, and recruitment and training of local staff;

- **Programme implementation:** Support proper implementation of project activities, operational and resource mobilization strategies in South Sudan, in coordination with the relevant authorities at the National Government and State levels.
- **Representation and Coordination:** Through liaison with relevant UN-Habitat branches Support National Institutions in policy development processes and planning and organization of technical seminars and trainings. Coordinate and cooperate with other UN Country Team members. Represent the organization in major development programming exercises and advising ROAf on programme development;

More specifically, the Incumbent will:

- Manage implementation of the assigned program activities and Juba based country program team in South Sudan, including preparing detailed progress reports for UN-Habitat, the Government of South Sudan, the UN Resident Coordinator and other partners as required. Ensure adequate coordination and collaboration with ongoing UN-Habitat projects.
- Develop and maintain a close working relationship with key institutions in South Sudan, including the Ministry of Land, Housing and Physical Planning (MHPP), the State Ministries for Physical Infrastructure (MoPI) and other relevant stakeholders
- Develop and maintain close working relationships with the relevant national and international partners in Juba and in the field, including with relevant UN agencies.
- Undertake scoping and monitoring missions to assess local conditions, possible sites for project activities, establish working relations and monitor progress of activities in the field
- Undertake any other duties specified by UN-Habitat

COMPETENCIES (PLEASE CHOOSE FOUR COMPETENCIES)

Communication: strong conceptual skills combined with a proven ability to write technical documents addressing a variety of audiences.

Professionalism: Substantive knowledge of issues and challenges related to land and housing in post-conflict contexts, preferably in Africa; knowledge and understanding of approaches relevant to particular sector or specialized field; proven experience in providing technical support to government and local authorities; ability to identify issues, analyze and participate in the resolution of issues/problems; demonstrates professional competence of subject matter; is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results; is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns; shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges; remains calm in stressful situations; takes responsibility for incorporating gender perspectives and ensuring the equal participation of women and men in all areas of work.

Planning& Organizing: Develops clear goals that are consistent with agreed strategies; identifies priority activities and assignments; adjusts priorities as required; foresees risks and allows for contingencies when planning; monitors and adjusts plans and actions as necessary. Ability to apply judgment in the context of assignments given, plan own work and manage conflicting priorities.

Teamwork: Works collaboratively with colleagues to achieve organizational goals; solicits input by genuinely valuing others' ideas and expertise; is willing to learn from others; supports and acts in accordance with final group decision, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position; shares credit for team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.

EDUCATION

University degree in a land-related field, civil engineering or relevant social science discipline.

EXPERIENCE

A minimum of five (5) years of progressively responsible experience in areas related to human settlements, land management, development. At least three years of experience at the international level is required. Experience with the UN or other international agency is desirable.

LANGUAGE:

English and French are the working languages of the United Nations Secretariat. For the post advertised fluency in oral and written English is required.

REMUNERATION

See UN Website: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/salaries_allowances/index.html

Applications should include:

- Cover memo (maximum 1 page)
- Summary CV (maximum 2 pages), indicating the following information:
 1. Educational Background (incl. dates)
 2. Professional Experience (assignments, tasks, achievements, duration by years/ months)
 3. Other Experience and Expertise (e.g. Internships/ voluntary work, etc.)
 4. Expertise and preferences regarding location of potential assignments
- PHP – please download the form (MS word) UN personal history Form (P11) – Vacancy website: <http://www.unon.org/vac.php>

All applications should be submitted to:

Mr. Dragan Tatic, SHSO

UN-HABITAT

Email: dragan.tatic@unhabitat.org

Deadline for applications: 18 March 2015 at 24h00 (Nairobi time)

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