



Small Farmer Support Coordinator

The Austrian Development Agency (ADA), the operational unit of the Austrian Development Cooperation (ADC), is looking for a national **Small Farmer Support Coordinator** (m/f, full time, locally contracted) for the project “*Organic Agriculture Support Initiative (OASI)*” in Armenia.

This position is based in the ADC/OASI project office in Yerevan. Under the direct supervision of the Project Team Leader, and the overall supervision of the Head of the ADC office in Yerevan, the Small Farmer Support Coordinator will perform the following functions for the project:

- Develop an open Call for Proposals for support (e.g. input supplies, capacity development activities) to small farmers, including selection criteria and application forms;
- Evaluate the applications and assess the needs of selected small farmers to define clear gaps for project intervention;
- Coordinate the overall supply of inputs and capacity development support to small farmers in cooperation with the project’s procurement officer;
- Accompany small farmers on their way to organic production and certification and facilitate access to organic markets in close coordination with the project Marketing Expert;
- Monitor implementation until contract closure procedures and final reporting;
- Contribute to regular narrative, as well as budget and expenditure reports (ADA and EU);
- Carryout any other duties as required by the Supervisor.

Necessary Qualifications

- High education in agriculture, marketing, agricultural economics or a related science;
- At least five years of relevant working experience with smallholder farmers and farmer groups, preferably in an international environment and in the field of organic agriculture;
- Understanding of the principles of organic agriculture, in particular production techniques, market requirements and regulatory environment;
- In depth knowledge of the agriculture situation in the regions of Armenia and with agribusiness across the country;
- Previous experience with organizing Calls and related procedures is an asset;
- Computer literate with practical experience in Microsoft applications;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills in English;
- Excellent inter-personal/social and communication skills;



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- Responsible and flexible attitude and capable of working with minimum supervision;
- Ability to work in a multinational and multicultural environment;
- Demonstrated gender awareness and sensitivity, and an ability to integrate a gender perspective into tasks and activities.

How to apply

The assignment is scheduled to commence in June 2016. The duration of the initial contract is for one year with a possible extension subject to subject successful performance.

If you wish to apply for this position, please submit your written application including cover letter, CV and other relevant documentation in English language by 22 May 2016 the latest at oasi@ada.gv.at

Women are particularly encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence. Please note that only short listed candidates will be invited for an interview.