

Vacancy

Due to a vacancy at the Climate Centre, we are immediately looking for a:

Freelance Technical Adviser MENA region

Introduction

The Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre is the expertise Centre of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent in the field of climate change and climate disasters. The Climate Centre's mission is to help the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and its partners reduce the impacts of climate change and extreme weather events on vulnerable people.

Project background

The Climate Centre is one of the consortium partners implementing the **ISTIBAK project** under the UK MET office WISER MENA Programme. The project aims to strengthen the climate resilience of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), refugee populations, and host communities in Iraq, Yemen and Syria by enhancing and promoting the co-production of anticipatory action in the region. Other consortium partners include the IFRC MENA, Red Cross Red Crescent National Societies, British Red Cross, and World Food Program.

The Climate Centre seeks to hire a freelance Technical Adviser to support the Climate Centre deliverables and Technical support role in this project.

Objective

The Technical Advisor will lead the Climate Centre's activity implementation in the MENA region and liaise with partners to identify needs for technical support. The Consultant will work closely with the Climate Centre Anticipatory Action team consortium partners, and other national, regional, and global stakeholders and report to the Head of Anticipatory Action.

Roles and responsibilities

Project implementation and monitoring:

1. Lead the implementation and delivery of the project activities as pertains to the Climate Centre scope.
2. Lead sessions with academics and producers to introduce UKMO TAP offer to local and national HyrdoMet Offices, NDMAs, relevant government entities, and other UN and NGO initiatives to strengthen impact-based forecasting. e.g., training and remote mentoring.
3. Conduct research on the development and implementation process and perspectives to understand the utility/usefulness of products developed and identify the knowledge needed.
4. Synthesize the lessons learned to contribute to the Anticipation Hub MENA section to inform frameworks for the co-production of impact-based forecasting (IbF) in various displacement contexts.
5. Facilitate Training of trainers of CoP (remote and in-person) on IbF for AA adapted to MENA region and IDP/refugee/host context.
6. Translate training material into Arabic.
7. Produce relevant technical knowledge products (e.g., briefs, fact sheets) to address gaps and to inform the co-production process as identified by stakeholders.
8. Working with the AA Programme Assistant, ensure that deliverables are met within timelines, budget, and scope.
9. Develop technical brief for implementation of Early Warning System for all IDP/refugee contexts.
10. Lead the monitoring aspects of the project, supporting MEL and GESI aspects.
11. Effectively coordinate the implementation of project activities with the Climate Centre project team.

12. Support the development of communication material as needed, share regular project updates with the Programme Manager.
13. Develop reports based on project reporting requirements.

Communication & collaboration

- Represent the Climate Centre in project meetings and at national, regional and global forums.
- Promote effective collaboration with Stakeholders in MENA region.
- Ensure effective coordination and collaboration with consortium and RC/RC network partners.
- Document and communicate technical needs, deadlines and other requirements to all stakeholders.

Profile

Education, Knowledge, skills and languages

- Must be officially registered as freelance or self-employed person in the home/work location
- Completed at least a master's degree in Disaster Risk Reduction, Climate adaption or relevant field
- At least 5 years of professional experience in Early Warning Early Action, Anticipatory Action, Climate Change Adaptation, Disaster Risk Reduction
- Knowledge of RC/RC and UN global disaster risk management tools and systems (preferred)
- Excellent English writing and communication skills
- Strong interpersonal skills with the ability to represent the Climate Centre
- Ability to work effectively in a global, virtual and multicultural environment
- Ability to work and coordinate with various stakeholders
- Ability to work with minimal oversight
- Fluently spoken and written Arabic is a must
- Based in the MENA region is an added advantage

We value diversity — in backgrounds and experiences. We need people from all cultural backgrounds, religions, gender identities, sexual orientations and age groups

What we offer

This position provides an interesting opportunity to work at the Climate Centre and contribute to the success of our programmes. We offer a home-based assignment with limited international travel, flexible work hours and a global virtual working environment with room for initiative and personal development.

A 30% FTE (12 hours per week) freelance contract until the end of the year with an option to extend at a daily rate of EUR 300. There is a possibility for a higher FTE in the future, depending on skills and experience.

How to apply:

We would like to receive your application (CV and cover letter) in English addressed to Olette Manhoudt, HR officer at the Climate Centre sent to application@climatecentre.org with "MENA Technical Adviser" in the subject please.

Application deadline is: Thursday 29th February 2024 1pm CET

If you have any questions about this vacancy, please send an email to hr@climatecentre.org.