

Call for experts

Sustainable Western Indian Ocean Programme (SWIOP) – Recruitment of Technical Assistance Team to Support Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMO)

Due to recent business development opportunities, we are looking to recruit experts in the area of fisheries management and governance.

About the project

The European Union Delegation in Mauritius is procuring a technical assistance team to support the implementation of activities under two RFMOs: the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (IOTC / FAO) and Southern Indian Ocean Fisheries Agreement (SIOFA), an autonomous international agreement tasked with managing non-migratory fisheries resources in the Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction. This support is part of the SWIOP.

The objectives include:

- Strengthen the capacity of the RFMOs for the stock assessment of shared species.
- Provide technical assistance to RFMOs to design capacity-building activities and training with the aim to improve beneficiaries' capacity to comply with conservation and management measures adopted.
- Provide technical assistance to beneficiaries on data collection, analysis and reporting to improve their capacities to comply with obligations stemming from RFMO membership.
- Support beneficiaries for the organisation of meetings and other activities within the framework of RFMOs, notably the areas related to the conservation and management of shared resources.

About the roles

We are seeking to recruit high calibre consultants to provide technical assistance at administrative and implementation levels to the IOTC and SIOFA Secretariats to ensure the effective and efficient implementation of the project outputs, tasks and work plans of the RFMOs to ensure implementation of the IOTC and SIOFA components of the SWIOP.

The roles include:

Key Expert – Senior Fisheries Management / Scientific Expert

This role will be responsible for leading the implementation of technical activities; interfacing with IOTC and SIOFA Secretariats; and coordinating capacity building, training and stakeholder engagement.

Required expertise and experience

- Master's or higher degree in Marine Biology, Fisheries Science, Oceanography, Environmental Science or a related field.

- At least 10 years of relevant experience in fisheries science and / or management, particularly in tuna or demersal fisheries in regional or international settings.
- Demonstrated experience with stock assessments, management strategy evaluation, and ecological risk assessments.
- Knowledge of RFMO structures, mandates and procedures, particularly IOTC and / or SIOFA.
- Experience of building partnerships in RFMO.
- Experience in design and delivery of training and capacity-building programmes for scientific and policy personnel.
- Familiarity with data collection, statistical packages (e.g. R, SAS, SPSS) and fisheries modelling tools.
- Proven ability to work in multicultural and multidisciplinary teams, and coordinate with intergovernmental stakeholders.
- Strong English writing and presentation skills (French or Portuguese desirable).

Consultants

We are also looking to recruit consultants in stock assessment, ecological risk assessment, fisheries data and IT, training and capacity development of fisheries governance structures, and fisheries governance and compliance, etc.

How to apply

To apply for the Key Expert or Consultant roles, please send your CV and a covering email to sealot3@landell-mills.com.