



### Terms of Reference for Consultant Category B \*

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| <b>Name:</b>                              |   |
| <b>Job Title**:</b>                       | Expert in Water management and climate change |
| <b>Division/Department:</b>               | FAO Oman                                      |
| <b>Programme/Project Number:</b>          | FAO-CSC LOANED EXPERTS PROGRAMME              |
| <b>Duty Station:</b>                      | Muscat, Oman                                  |
| <b>Expected Start Date of Assignment:</b> | asap  |
| <b>Duration:</b>                          | 6-12 months (may be extended up to 2 years)   |
| <b>Reports to: <i>Name:</i></b>           | Nora Ourabah Haddad                           |
| <b><i>Title:</i></b>                      | FAO Representative in Oman                    |

\* Please note: If this TOR is for Consultant / PSA.SBS contract, the minimum relevant experience required **for the assignment** is as follows:

\*\* Please enter a short title (max 25 chars) for this assignment.

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF TASK(S) AND OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative the Expert will perform duties in the areas of water management in support of WSI in Oman. The Expert will work in direct interaction with the Regional Strategic Program Coordinator and the WSI Delivery Manager, FAO RNE in collaboration and cooperation of the RNE staff and with FAO partners and technical officers in the Region and HQ concerning WSI activities implementation in Oman. More specifically, the tasks will include but not limited to the following:

- Provide technical support in the areas of water management and climate change in view to the delivery of FAO Regional Water Scarcity Initiative (WSI) in Oman.
- Assist FAO Oman and RNE in developing and implementing actions and activities for the Regional Collaborative Platform within the framework of the Water Scarcity Initiative.
- Assist FAO Oman in further developing the country plan including priority areas and programs in the area of water and climate change with the collaboration of national stakeholders based on the new CPF (2018-2022).
- Support the development of an action plan related to climate change in Oman including the preparation of climate change adaptation projects and programs for funding by GCF and other relevant funding mechanisms in coordination with the RNE natural resource officer and HQ relevant officers.
- Contribute to the development of capacity development materials and possibly provide training on sustainable water management and sustainable agriculture based on expressed national needs.
- Enhance the participation of Oman in the GIAHS program
- Identify mutual areas of interest between China and Oman in the framework of the Oman-FAO program on South South cooperation.
- Provide the necessary assistance to organize and implement technical missions, meetings, workshops, and capacity development programs related to water related priorities in Oman.
- Contribute to the preparation and finalization of WSI deliverables (reports, proceedings, guidelines...etc.)
- Conduct field visits as required by the assignment.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

**KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Expected Outputs:

Required Completion Date:

- Programs and projects related to WSI are formulated and monitored
- Regular follow up are done with government counterparts and on all matters related to WSI and assistance is provided to RNE relevant staff
- Necessary technical support is provided to all areas of works
- CD materials are developed based on the expressed needs.
- Trainings are conducted as per agreed national stakeholder needs

6-12 months from starting date of the initial assignment

**REQUIRED COMPETENCIES**

- Advanced degree and professional qualification related to water resources management, climate change or related areas;
- At least five years of relevant experience in the field of water management and climate change in one or more of the following areas: climate change, drought management, development programs in water management for food security; irrigation.
- Proven experience in water and climate change related projects in developing countries,
- Extent and relevance of field experience with FAO or other international organizations;
- Demonstrated ability for analytical work related to agricultural water economics;
- Excellent computer knowledge/skills;
- Excellent communication skills both orally and in writing in English. Arabic would be an asset.

Languages:

- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian.

IT Skills:

Ability to effectively use standard office software, such as MS Office (Windows, Word, Outlook, Excel, Power Point, Internet). Ability to effectively use project management software and other information systems /databases