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## CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Team Members (2) for the Joint OIE/FAO Evaluation of the Global Framework for the Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases (GF-TADs)

Contract duration: 30-35 days between April-December 2017

Duty station: home-based with possible missions to FAO HQ (Rome), OIE HQ (Paris) and selected sample countries

Vacancy No. IRC3969

Deadline for Applications: 1 April 2017

### Expressions of Interest for the Evaluation

The FAO Office of Evaluation (OED) and the OIE Evaluation Function under the Performance Management Cell (OIE-PMC) are seeking Expressions of Interest from qualified individuals to conduct the joint OIE/FAO independent evaluation of the “*Global Framework for the Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases (GF-TADs)*”. The candidates should not have been involved in the design or implementation of the FAO and OIE activities being assessed by the evaluation and will be required to sign a conflict of interest declaration.

### Background

The **Global Framework for Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases (GF-TADs)** is a joint FAO/OIE governance mechanism, which combines the strengths of both organisations to achieve coordinated prevention and control of transboundary animal diseases (TADs) to address their regional and global dimensions<sup>1</sup>. The initiative's agreement was signed in May 2004, and falls under the broader agreement between OIE and FAO, which was renewed at the same time<sup>2</sup>.

### Evaluation Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this evaluation is to assess the results and challenges of the GF-TADs as a collaborative mechanism, with the aim of strengthening the relevance and effectiveness of the initiative. The evaluation will provide evidence-based lessons to inform future strategic decisions, corrective actions and improvement of the GF-TADs. Since there has been two previous evaluations in 2005 and 2009, this evaluation will cover periods from 2009 to date.

### Duration of the evaluation process

The assignment will last indicatively 30-35 days to be worked between April and December 2017. The assignment will mainly be home-based with possible inception mission to either FAO Headquarters (Rome) or OIE Headquarters (Paris). Field missions will be conducted between June and July 2017.

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<sup>1</sup> WHO is also associated to the GF-TADs for Zoonoses, in terms of Global Early Warning System (GLEWS) and not for strategies, reference centres, RSU

<sup>2</sup> For more information on the GF-TADs Initiative, please refer to <http://www.gf-tads.org/>

## Tasks and responsibilities

The Evaluation Team Members will be responsible for developing the methodology and conducting the evaluation, in consultation with OED and OIE-PMC. The evaluation team members will contribute to the evaluation for his/her area of specialization. The evaluation team will participate in briefing and debriefing, discussions, field visits, and will contribute to the evaluation with written inputs.

The evaluation will be led by the appointed Evaluation Manager (s) from FAO-OED and OIE-PMC. Team members' mandate will derived from and must fully comply with the overall Terms of Reference for the Evaluation. The Evaluation's Terms of Reference will be provided to those shortlisted for the assignment.

## Composition of the evaluation team

The evaluation team will consist of two independent consultants: one senior evaluation expert and one animal health expert.

## Candidates should meet the following requirements

Selection Criteria for the senior evaluation expert:

- Advanced degree in a relevant discipline;
- At least 15 years of professional experience in evaluating complex programmes; and
- Solid experience in evaluating governance management and partnership structures in regional/interregional initiatives, notably in developing countries.

Selection Criteria for the animal health expert:

- Advanced degree in area of expertise; preferably a university doctorate (PhD) or doctorate of practice (e.g. DVM) in animal health or relevant discipline;
- At least 15 years of professional experience in animal and/or public health, notably in developing countries; and
- Expertise in institutional strengthening of animal health and/or public health systems.

## Minimum Requirements

- Strong analytical and research skills (document review, ability to synthesize solid evaluative findings out of raw evidence);
- Excellent writing and verbal communication in English;
- Relevant work experience in developing countries;
- Familiarity with the UN evaluation standards and procedures (for the senior evaluation expert);
- Fluency in French or Spanish, written and spoken will be an asset; and
- Knowledge of FAO and OIE will be an asset.

## Additional Information on selection criteria

FAO seeks gender, geographical and linguistic diversity in its staff and international consultants in order to best serve FAO Members in all regions.

All candidates should adhere to FAO values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency. Whenever possible, the composition of the team will have regional and gender balance.

## How to apply

All applications are to be made through FAO's [iRecruitment](#) system. Click on the link below to access [iRecruitment](#), complete your online profile and apply for this Call for Expression of Interest.

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In order for your application to be properly evaluated, please ensure that all sections of your iRecruitment account are completed. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated.

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