

REGIONAL RESILIENCE ANALYST

IGAD FOOD SECURITY, NUTRITION AND RESILIENCE ANALYSIS HUB

1. Background

IGAD is one of the Regional Economic Communities (RECs) of the African Union. IGAD was initially created in 1986 as the Intergovernmental Authority on Drought and Development (IGADD) to coordinate the efforts of the Member States in combating desertification and promoting efforts to mitigate the effects of drought. Whereas IGAD Climate Prediction and Applications Centre (ICPAC) is a Specialised Institution of IGAD with the mission fostering climate services and knowledge to enhance community resilience for prosperity in the Greater Horn of Africa.

A new entity called IGAD Food Security, Nutrition and Resilience Analysis Hub (IFRAH) was initiated in June 2018 under an IGAD directive from Executive Secretary. IFRAH integrates some of the existing food security and resilience units already existing within IGAD. These include the Food Security and Nutrition Working Group (FSNWG), Resilience Analysis Unit (RAU) and Integrated Phase Classification (IPC). The rationale is based on recognition of the interlinkages and synergetic functions of food security and nutrition analysis, IPC and resilience analysis to be harnessed along with ICPAC Climate Forecasts and CEWARN information on conflict and ICPALD on livestock body condition as basis for an Early Warning System to trigger early action to prevent food crises.

The mission of IFRAH is to galvanize and build capacities for timely, harmonized generation, analysis and communication of integrated food security, nutrition and resilience information and knowledge. To facilitate uptake of timely and consensual decision making for humanitarian, resilience, development and peace building actions in line with member countries, IDDRSI and other relevant IGAD strategies.

The overall goal of IFRAH is to contribute to the efforts by IGAD and Member states to achieve strengthened analytical capacities and institutional mechanisms needed to support the decision-making processes on food security, nutrition and resilience in the IGAD region. The main objective is to contribute to the efforts by IGAD and Member states to achieve strengthened analytical capacities and institutional mechanisms needed to support the decision-making processes on food security, nutrition and resilience in the IGAD region.

One of the key components of IFRAH is Resilience Analysis Unit (RAU). Achieving resilience at a significant scale requires the capacity to measure the impact of development

interventions for policy and programming purposes, as well as to promote greater accountability in the use of resources. RAU is a multi-stakeholder regional technical unit led by IGAD and supported by its development partners ensuring close coordination with the Drought Resilience Platform Coordination Unit (PCU).

The overall purpose of RAU is to build the capacity of the IGAD Secretariat and Member States and its development partners in the measurement and analysis of resilience among vulnerable households and communities.

IFRAH seeks to recruit a **Regional Resilience Analyst** to lead the activities of the Resilience Analysis Unit. Details below:

Duties and responsibilities

The overall role of the Regional Food Security Analyst is to coordinate and provide operational support, technical advice and guidance on resilience work-plan activities including training, workshops, resilience assessment processes in the IGAD Region (IGAD, specialized centers and member states). The analyst work under the overall supervision of the Director of ICPAC and under the direct supervision of the Coordinator of IFRAH in close collaboration with IGAD Member States, regional and international partners.

The Resilience Analyst will perform the following duties in specific:

- Lead Resilience analysis in the IGAD Region using common approach on methodologies and tools;
- Facilitate the harmonization of resilience measurement and analysis methodologies and tools in IGAD region;
- Support to the establishment and/or consolidation of national resilience measurement and analysis hubs and focal points in MS and training on data collection and analysis activities;
- Lead the development of an IGAD State of Resilience Report.
- Review and integrate resilience related literature and secondary data within the IGAD region for resilience analysis to the extent possible;
- Contribute to field activities on baselines, midlines, impact evaluation surveys in the Region;
- Support in the planning and coordination of pre-survey processes (workplans, budgets, concept notes)
- Support in the resilience data analysis processes and reports
- Initiate and compile resilience analytical reports while providing linkages to inform
- Supervise and/or support to the collection, processing, management and analysis of social, economic and biophysical information to inform and guide IFRAH's technical and related evidence-based policy work;

- Prepare findings to inform policy formulation;
- Provide job training to IGAD member states staff on resilience analysis activities and subsequent policy recommendations
- Engage into resource mobilization for investments on resilience interventions including developing technical proposals, advocacy materials and reporting to the donors.
- Contribute to the institution process of IFRAH (RAU FSNWG IPC) in Member States.
- Contribute to the development of new structure of IFRAH and role out to the IGAD Member States, including preparation of background materials, technical brief and technical reports, particularly on resilience analysis issues.
- Provide training to relevant IGAD and Member States staff on quantitative analysis techniques and on field surveys;
- Any other tasks as assigned as necessary.

1. Required Qualifications, Experience and Skills

The applicant should possess the following;

Education requirements:

- Advanced degree (MSc or higher) in statistics, agricultural economics, econometrics, disaster risk management, natural resources or related degree from a recognized university

Work experience:

- At least a minimum of seven (7) years of relevant experience in economic analysis on resilience and development issues, econometric research using time series, cross-section, and/or panel techniques, including the production of analytical outputs (such as policy reports and/or scientific papers):
- Knowledge of survey methodological tools
- Relevant work experience especially in the research processes (e.g. in field data collection; econometrics analysis) and coordination of programme activities
- Have initiative, team spirit and able to work in a multicultural setting

Key Skills and Competencies:

- Econometric and economic analysis on a range of emerging food security related topics with focus on poverty, vulnerability and resilience, the associated policies, and programmes.
- Quality report writing skills in English (publications, technical reports, briefs)
- Ability to work productively under pressure
- Ability to work with minimum supervision
- Good planning and organizational skills
- Strong computer skills
- Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing
- Good knowledge of the IGAD region
- Fluency in English (French will be an added advantage)

2. Reporting

The Selected candidate will report to the ICPAC Director through the supervision of the Coordinator of IFRAH.

3. Remuneration

The Regional Resilience Analyst position will be a Senior Technical staff member of IFRAH team. Remuneration is negotiable within the IGAD project salary Scale and policy

4. Contract Duration

Two (2) years (Renewable yearly-based contract upon Performance). Further renewable upon availability of funding.

5. Work Station

The Regional Resilience Analyst will be a key member of the IFRAH technical team based in Nairobi, Kenya with frequent travels to IGAD Member States

6. How to Apply

Please send your Cover Letter, Detailed Curriculum Vitae and Scanned Copies of Certificates before the **30th May 2019** to the following Address:

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