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| **vacancy announcement No: 11/2021** |
| **Issued on:** | 26 April 2021 |
| **Deadline For Application:** | 07 May 2021 |
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| **Job Title:** National Specialist in Agriculture Statistics |  | **Type of requisition:** | PSA |
|  |  | **Duty Station:** | Chisinau, Moldova |
| **Organizational Unit:** | FAO Moldova | **Duration:** | 120 work days until 30 November 2021 |
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| **Organizational Setting**FAO in partnership with the Government of Moldova is implementing the TCP/MOL/3703 “Support to improvement of agriculture statistics”. The main objective is to increase capacities of the National Bureau of Statistics in collection, processing and dissemination of agriculture statistics.**Reporting Lines**The incumbent will work under technical supervision of the REU Statistician (Lead Technical officer), International Expert and in cooperation with FAO office in Moldova. **Technical Focus** Agriculture Statistics**Tasks and responsibilities**The National Consultant in Agriculture Statistics will assist National Bureau of Statistics of Moldova (NBS) in implementation of the various outputs of the project. Particularly, the consultant will:1. Conduct an assessment of the current state of agriculture statistics:
	* Provide the International Expert in charge of the assessment of the agricultural statistics system with all necessary materials
	* Assist the International Expert in charge of the assessment of the agricultural statistics system in liaising with the relevant national stakeholders
	* Assist the International Expert in charge of the assessment of the agricultural statistics in preparation of the assessment document
2. Improve producer price statistics:
* Assist the International Expert in activities related to transition from Paasche formula to Laspeyres formula in calculation of agricultural price indices, in developing methodology, solution of problematic methodological issues;
	+ Perform pilot calculation and, in case of need, retrospective calculation of the indices
	+ Revise existing questionnaires of price surveys (both complete and sample enumeration) and develop recommendations on their improvement;
	+ Analyze sampling frames for sample surveys and prepare recommendation for their update;
	+ Participate in preparation of TORs on transition of data entering and processing to the CIS-2 platform (for the questionnaires being currently processed using other platforms);
	+ Prepare an updated catalogue of commodities and services to be included in the price surveys;
	+ Prepare materials for local statistical units related to implementation of the updated surveys;
1. Develop typology of agricultural holdings:
* Liaise with the Institute of the Economic Research on behalf of the NBS
* Prepare materials related to household farms (covered by sample agricultural surveys) necessary for calculation of the standard output coefficients
* Assist the Institute of the Economic Research and NBS in developing typology of agricultural holdings
1. Methodological assistance in implementing SDG Indicators 2.3.1-2.3.2:
* Assist the International Expert in getting acquainted with current agricultural surveys conducted by NBS
* Prepare for International Expert the materials necessary for developing the modules to be added to the current questionnaires for data collection for SDG indicators 2.3.1-2.3.2
* Assist NBS and International Expert in pilot testing the developed modules
1. Carry out any other tasks relevant to this assignment as requested by the LTO.

**CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING****Minimum Requirements**1. University degree in economics, statistics or another relevant field;
2. At least 7 years of relevant experience in the areas related to the statistics preferably in agriculture;
3. Strong knowledge about agriculture sector in Moldova;
4. Proven expertise working in a team environment and in the field;
5. Computer skills, in particular applications of the MS Office package and internet search;
6. Writing and communication skills in English and Romanian are required;
7. Prior experience or familiarity with the United Nations system and FAO’ mandate.

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