AFRISTAT

Economic and Statistical Observatory for sub-Saharan Africa

Recruitment of a statistics/computer specialist (Post ESI1-2006)

Duties

Under the authority of the Director-General of AFRISTAT and under the supervision of the Coordinator of the Department of Strategic Support and Dissemination, the statistics/computer specialist will undertake database and Internet management capacity building activities in National Statistical Offices (NSOs) of ECOWAS Member States with a view to improving data exchange and dissemination of statistical information.

In this context, he/she will:

- Develop and/or strengthen dissemination-oriented centralised databases.
- Adopt a protocol for regular exchanges of data between NSOs, the Executive Secretariat and other partners in the region (AFRISTAT, UEMOA, etc).
- Strengthen the role of NSOs as coordinators of data of the national statistical system.
- Improve existing websites in NSOs and develop sites for Member States that do not have any.
- Establish a mechanism for regular update of websites through the databases.

Furthermore, the expert will assist in ensuring that other AFRISTAT activities are effectively carried out in collaboration with the entire staff. He/she shall discharge any duty that may be assigned to him/her by the Director-General.

Qualifications

- Must have a university degree either in computing, or statistics (establishment and management of databases, ICT), or its equivalent.
- Must have at least seven years’ proven experience in database creation and Internet website development.
- Must be able to work in a team and conduct seminars.
- Must have very good knowledge of African countries’ national statistical systems.
• Must have excellent knowledge of English and a working knowledge of French.
• Must be able to work under pressure.

**Salary and fringe benefits**

The gross annual starting salary is €39,000 excluding housing, expatriation and transport allowances and education grant for minors, insurance and air tickets for home leave for the entire family every two years.

Contents of dossier

• A letter of interest addressed to the Director-General of AFRISTAT (maximum of 2 pages).
• A CV highlighting working experience and references.
• A certificate of nationality.

The candidate must be a national of an ECOWAS Member State.

If selected, he/she shall submit:

• the originals of the highest educational qualifications stated;
• a police report;
• a medical certificate issued by an industrial medical doctor;
• other personal documents (birth, marriage or death certificates of family members, etc).

**Duty station and duration of contract**

He/she will be based at the AFRISTAT Headquarters in Bamako (Mali) for a one-year term of office renewable twice.

**Assumption of duty**


**Deadline for submission of application dossiers**

15 December 2006.

**Address**

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Applicants are advised to post or fax their original applications and e-mail a copy to the Director-General of AFRISTAT through the following address: afristat@afristat.org