

Suriname Agriculture Market Access Project (SAMAP)

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MID TERM EVALUATION CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

I am reaching out with regards to the **Mid-term evaluation of the EU-funded project SAMAP - Suriname Agriculture Market Access**, which is currently being launched in FAO Suriname.

We are looking for a qualified national consultant to join the evaluation team for approximately 30 working days. The team will be composed by an international consultant, as evaluation team leader and a national consultant, as team member. The evaluation will take place between January and April 2023, with the main data collection phase in Suriname planned for February 2023.

Technical focus:

The SAMAP project aims at increased, more competitive and safer production of selected crops through an enabling environment and enhanced capacities of private sector and institutions. Specifically, two main results are expected:

- a) Increased horticultural production and sustainable market-access achieved for 1000 small-scale farmers and
- b) Improved food safety capacities and standards achieved for private sector and public institutions.

The project has three components:

- 1) Sustainable production and value chain development;
- 2) Strengthening food safety capacities and standards and their application to the private sector; and
- 3) Project coordination, management and implementation.

Team member tasks and responsibilities:

- Review relevant background documentation, including the project documents, the project's logframes, progress and final reports, workshop and technical reports, among others;
- Participate actively in the collection of primary data through, inter alia, interviews and meetings, virtual and face to face, with key stakeholders including the Government, the FAO Representation, external partners, project teams and ultimate beneficiaries as appropriate;
- Contribute to the consolidation of all evidence collected during the evaluation process;
- Contribute to the analysis to reach preliminary findings, conclusions and recommendations. Ensure that all the findings are sufficiently triangulated and validated;
- Contribute towards the preparation of all deliverables planned in the evaluation Terms of Reference, including integrating comments received by FAO and other stakeholders, as coordinated by the team leader.

Candidates will be assessed by the following:

- At least five years of relevant experience working in projects related to agricultural development, **access to agriculture markets and trade, value chain development**, food safety, and capacity development.
- Relevant experience in Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) and report writing;
- Working experience in Suriname and knowledge of the institutional, sociocultural and agricultural context of the country.
- Working knowledge of English (Level C);
- Previous experience in evaluation of agriculture and trade –related projects in Suriname is desirable.

The consultant will work under the direct supervision of the evaluation manager and in close collaboration with the international lead consultant (evaluation team leader).

Interested candidates are invited to send their CV to Karyce.Phillips@fao.org

Deadline: 6th of January 2023.

We would be grateful if you could circulate this call for expression of interest among your networks.

Kind regards,
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