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Ref: 19/AF/430– External Vacancy announcement for UNHCR Multi Country Office for Southern Latin America

Post Title	Livelihood and Economic Inclusion Associate
Post Level	Individual Contractor UNOPS (LICA 6)
Duty Station	Buenos Aires, Argentina
Closing Date	16th December 2019 (inclusive)
Type of contract	LICA 6 – 1 st January 2020 to 31 st December 2020

General background of Project or Assignment:

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees was established on December 14, 1950 by the United Nations General Assembly. The agency is mandated to lead and co-ordinate international action to protect refugees and resolve refugee problems worldwide. Its primary purpose is to safeguard the rights and well-being of refugees. It strives to ensure that everyone can exercise the right to seek asylum and find safe refuge in another State, with the option to return home voluntarily, integrate locally or to resettle in a third country.

The UNHCR Regional Office for Southern Latin America located in Buenos Aires, Argentina from where it covers 5 countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay.

The Livelihood and Economic Inclusion Associate will work under the direct supervision of a senior staff from the Durable Solutions Unit. The incumbent will support in operationalizing the strategic vision to align livelihoods and economic inclusion efforts with the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR), which underscores the need to mobilize additional actors and to adopt a whole-of-society approach to strengthen refugee self-reliance and help ease pressure on host countries.

The Livelihood and Economic Inclusion Associate will collaborate closely with UNHCR livelihoods partners, government agencies, private sector and financial service providers as well as other relevant stakeholders to enhance the economic inclusion and improve self-reliance of both persons of concern (PoC) and host community members. The incumbent will also be expected to deliberately explore opportunities of collaboration with other UNHCR cross cutting areas such as protection, education, cash, partnerships, research and analytics, SGBV, solutions, complementary pathways and more. To document good practices, results and to generate knowledge, the Livelihood and Economic Inclusion Associate will work closely with the supervisor to build on UNHCR databases and support regular information sharing and coordination among different humanitarian, developmental and governmental stakeholders. S/he will assist to mobilize refugees of different age, gender and background and to ensure that all stakeholders well understand the potential of economic inclusion of refugees and host community members, and to help communicate opportunities to PoC.

Overall purpose and Scope of Assignment:

- Explore partnerships with relevant stakeholders to enhance economic inclusion of UNHCR PoC. This includes working with economic development agencies to adapt their programmes to become inclusive of UNHCR PoC, working with the private sector to enhance inclusion of UNHCR PoC in their labour force and supply chains, working with financial service providers to enhance financial inclusion, and working with public and private sector service providers to include UNHCR PoC in supporting services (business development, micro-finance, training, saving accounts, poverty alleviation and social protection, etc.).
- Work with the multi-functional team, more specifically with the Protection Unit, to collect information about the legal framework for the right to work and rights at work.
- Support the implementation of socioeconomic and wealth ranking surveys to inform targeting, monitoring and facilitation of the engagement of development programmes.
- Participate in necessary assessments in collaboration with relevant private and public stakeholders, including impact assessments on local economies and surveys that help to inform interventions and identify investment and funding opportunities that enhance the economic inclusion of UNHCR PoC.
- In case UNHCR is implementing specific livelihoods activities, work closely with and provide technical assistance on livelihoods interventions to help ensure they are market-based, and that the role of UNHCR has been strategically determined in consideration of its comparative advantage vis-à-vis other partners.
- Liaise with partners and authorities on livelihoods related issues under the technical guidance of the supervisor.
- Prepare field reports and other relevant reports relating to livelihoods and make recommendations for interventions that enhance refugee economic inclusion to the designated officer.
- Perform other related duties as required.

Essential minimum qualifications and professional experience required:

- Education: Completion of secondary school. Additional certificate/training in Management, Economics, Financial Management, Agriculture or other relevant field
- Job experience: 6 years of experience in facilitating the economic inclusion of vulnerable and marginalized groups in collaboration with internal and external stakeholders, ideally in varied field contexts. Experience in working in partnership with private sector, NGOs, UN organisations, and government authorities in sub-sectors relevant to livelihood programming e.g. microfinance, employment, entrepreneurship, private sector development, local economic development, poverty reduction, agriculture, livestock, vocational and technical education and training, etc.
- Knowledge of English and/or UN working language of the duty station if not English.
- Nationality: Argentinian or Temporary or Permanent Labour VISA with residence in Argentina.

Desirable:

- Prior exposure to UNHCR refugee operations and functions relating to office administration and programme activities. Knowledge about latest development in the livelihoods sector, including broader UN processes on the SDGs and the Global Compact on Refugees. Completion of UNHCR learning programmes or specific training relevant to functions of the position.
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Submission of Applications:

Candidates shall submit their application including a letter of interest, complete Curriculum Vitae, copy of relevant degrees and an updated United Nations Personal History Form (P.11 form – download by clicking on the following link: <http://www.unhcr.org/recruit/p11new.doc>), all documents must be in PDF format.

All candidates should submit their application via e-mail to argbuadm@unhcr.org .

Kindly indicate: “**Livelihood and Economic Inclusion Associate MCO**” in the subject line.

- Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.
- Only those candidates that are short-listed for interviews and tests will be contacted.