

The OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine is seeking qualified and motivated persons to fill position of:

**Local Expert on forest fire management
(3 positions)**

“Improving radiological and environmental awareness in territories affected by the Chernobyl accident in Belarus and Ukraine with a focus on wildfire management” Project

Background:

The Project “Improving radiological and environmental awareness in the territories affected by the Chernobyl accident in Belarus and Ukraine with a focus on wildfire management” is a part of the Environment and Security Initiative (ENVSEC). The project aims to reduce public health, environmental and security risks posed by wildfires through improving awareness of effective wildfire management in contaminated areas. The project will support both countries in joint effort to address risks and build modern capacities for safe suppression of forest fires in the contaminated areas. The Project will promote safe practices for suppression of wildland fires on radioactively contaminated lands that will reduce risks of receiving additional radiation doses by fire fighters, as well as reduce risks from fires in radioactively-contaminated forests in the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone and adjacent areas.

It is foreseen to engage three local experts to provide the services during the period of 15-25 December 2016.

Please note that this is a consultancy assignment of approximately 19 working days. The consultants will be required to work from home with the ability to travel if necessary.

Tasks and responsibilities:

The experts are expected to accomplish the following tasks:

- Contribute to the development of a mutually (Belarus and Ukraine) accepted terminology for co-ordinated response to forest fires across the national border (in Russian);
- Contribute to the development of Guidelines for firefighters on suppression of forest fires in the Ukrainian and Belarusian parts of the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone (in Russian).

Necessary Qualifications:

- University degree in forestry, postgraduate study would be an asset;
- Minimum 3 years of practical experience in forest fire management;
- Publications on wilderness fire management and suppression;
- Excellent knowledge of Ukrainian and Russian, working knowledge of English;
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills;
- Computer literacy.

Remuneration Package:

According to the PCU consultancy fees guidelines.

This position is for residents of Ukraine only. We strongly encourage applicants to use the online application system at www.osce.org/employment; the Vacancy Number is **VNUKRC00439**. The deadline for applications is **07 December 2016**. If you have difficulties with the online system, please use the Internet Explorer to find the vacancy. Applications received after the published deadline will not be considered. Due to the high volume of applications, only short-listed candidates will be contacted. Details of the assignment and contract may be further discussed during the interviews.

The OSCE retains the discretion to re-advertise the vacancy, to cancel the recruitment, to offer an appointment with a modified job description or for a different duration.

The OSCE is committed to diversity and inclusion within its workforce, and encourages qualified female and male candidates from all national, religious, ethnic and social backgrounds to apply to become a part of the organization.

Please be aware that the OSCE does not request payment at any stage of the application and review process.