

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

**International Expert on forest fire management**

*“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 through improving awareness about effective wildfire management in contaminated areas. The project will support both countries in joint effort to address the risks and build modern capacities for safe suppression of forest fires on 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 a Belorussian expert to contribute to different project outputs and consult during the implementation of the Project. Services will be provided from 12- to 20 December 2016.

**Please note that this is a consultancy assignment of approximately 8 working days. The consultant will be required to work from home with the ability to travel if necessary.**

**Tasks and responsibilities:**

The expert is 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 Belorussian parts of the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone (in Russian);
- Contribute to the analysis of the existing legal national and Belorussian-Ukrainian framework on fire management and recommendations to its improvement;
- Consult the OSCE Project Manager on various project-related issues.

**Necessary Qualifications:**

- Advanced degree in forestry;
- Minimum 10 years of professional experience in forestry;
- Participation in international projects on wilderness fires management;
- Publications on wilderness fire management and suppression;
- Excellent knowledge of Russian, basic knowledge of English;
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills;
- Computer literacy.

**Remuneration Package:**

According to the PCU consultancy fees guidelines.

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*This position is for residents of Republic of Belarus only.* We strongly encourage applicants to use the online application system at [www.osce.org/employment](http://www.osce.org/employment); the Vacancy Number is **VNUKRC00440**. The deadline for applications is **07 December 2016**. If you have difficulties with the online system you may use the OSCE's off-line Application Form available at [www.osce.org/ukraine/employment](http://www.osce.org/ukraine/employment); you should complete the Application Form and send it *via e-mail* to [oscepcu-recruitment@osce.org](mailto:oscepcu-recruitment@osce.org) indicating the title of the position on the Application Form and in the cover message subject. 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.**