Food Security Specialist



General description

The Food Security Specialist works to ensure access to food for the people of concern. The work includes food security strategies and policy guidance, technical support with food security analysis and livelihoods, coordination of the food security sector, food assistance, strengthening agribusiness and agriculture-based initiatives, coordinate and build capacity within local/national authorities, food security sitrep/bulletins or any other food security related areas.

Food Security Specialists will primarily, but not exclusively, be deployed to WFP and FAO.

Examples of duties and responsibilities

- Preparation of a needs and response analysis.
- Strategy and policy guidance, technical support and direction with respect to food security analysis
- Coordinate with NGO partners, UN, local government and recipients to plan, organize and implement the nutrition and food security program.
- Build capacity of national and international NGO partners on priority matters related to the food security and livelihood response
- Advocate and fundraising on behalf of the sector
- Raising awareness so that recipients are in focus and so they know how to benefit from the program
- Develop tools and guidance, reviewing existing guidance material and tools relevant to emergency recovery food security and agriculture interventions and prioritizing relevant gaps
- Prepare food security sitrep, newsletters/bulletins on a regular basis
- Train and strengthen capacity of local staff, UN staff and Government Counterpart in the area of food security

Required qualifications

- Professional technical experience matching the mentioned duties and responsibilities.
- A minimum of 3 years international humanitarian field experience.
- Relevant educational background and knowledge of the UN.
- Knowledge and understanding of the complexity related to refugee and IDP situations.
- Proficiency in one (preferable two) languages. English is obligatory while French, Spanish og Arabic is an advantage.