



Value Chain Officer (JOB OPPORTUNITY)

Background

Vétérinaires Sans Frontières - Germany (VSF Germany) is a non-governmental, non-profit making international Organization engaged in humanitarian aid and development assistance to pastoralists and vulnerable communities in areas where livestock is of importance. With support in animal health, agriculture, WASH, marketing, and food safety, VSF works towards food security and strengthened livelihoods of pastoralist and agro-pastoral communities. VSF Germany is registered and licensed in Ethiopia by the Authority for Civil Society Organizations since March 2010 as foreign organization re-registered since May 23, 2019, with License no 1662. VSF Germany implements activities in Ethiopia, Sudan, South Sudan, Kenya, Somalia, and Uganda.

VSF Germany seeks to recruit qualified and highly experienced staff for the project entitled "Market Competitiveness Support for the Avocado Value Chain in Dale and Aleta Chuko Woredas of Sidama Region," funded by the World Food Programme (WFP). Female candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

Position:

Job title: Value Chain Officer

Line Manager: Project manager

Place of work: Aleta Chuko Woreda, with frequent travel to the Dale Woredas of Sidama Region

Donor: WFP

Monthly salary: As per the VSF Germany salary scale

No. Of positions: One (01)

Length of Contract: One year with possible extension

Job Summary:

The Value Chain Officer is responsible for effectively implementing the WFP-funded Market Competitiveness or Value Chain Project in Sidama Region, with a specific focus on market competitiveness support components, in close collaboration with other VSF Germany staff. The position supports the design and implementation of market-oriented value chain interventions by strengthening linkages among producers, cooperatives, SMEs, and other market actors, conducting value chain analysis, facilitating business development services, and improving market access. S/he is also responsible for assisting the project manager in project design, planning, budget control, and reporting, while ensuring the inclusion of women and youth to enhance incomes, competitiveness, and sustainability of targeted value chains.

Key Areas of Responsibility:

- Engages primarily in the implementation of strengthening functional market systems for Avocado and Pineapple production in accordance with project design, implementation planning and other interim plans;
- Participates in the development of a detailed implementation plan with staff and partners/stakeholders;
- Ensures that each activities of the project are interlinked and comprehensively covered;
- Provides technical assistance and support to other team members of the project.
- Makes sure that project activities are performed in line with the work plan;

- Participates in project activity and budget planning
- Lead project implementation, monitoring, follow up and evaluation at district level
- Ensures that summary of community meetings, seminars or workshops facilitated and or attended by project staff is well documented and shared with others;
- Together with the Project Manager, compiles weekly, monthly, quarterly, midterm and annual reports for government, Donors and other partners;
- Together with the Project Manager, properly document the achievements and lessons of the project activities and share with concerned stakeholders
- In close consultation with the Project Manager, liaises with relevant government institutions, counterparts, NGO and CBO partners with the objective of effective implementation of the project activities;
- Establishes an effective working relationship with other partner's staffs, government, non-governmental and community based organizations;
- Participate and led beneficiary identification with stakeholders and document process and keep beneficiary lists and other related documents of the project.
- Work cordially with local partners, authorities and leaders in reaching the beneficiaries.
- Keeps herself/himself updated about recent developments in assigned technical areas and related issues;
- Facilitates trainings, workshops, experience sharing visits, etc that are related to the needs of target beneficiaries and government line departments

Job Requirement:

- Bachelor's degree in agribusiness, agricultural economics, rural development, or a related field
- At least 5 years of professional experience, including NGO experience, in agricultural or livestock value chain development, market systems, and livelihoods programs
- Strong skills in value chain analysis, market assessments, business development services, SME and cooperative support, and post-harvest handling
- Proven ability to facilitate market linkages and coordinate with government, private sector, NGOs, and financial institutions
- Knowledge and experience of working with Smallholder farmers in Sidama Regions
- Language proficiency in written and spoken English;
- Computer literacy in MS-Word, Excel;
- Interpersonal communication and report writing skills;

How to apply

Interested and qualified candidates meeting the minimum requirements should send application comprising of the following documents to <https://forms.gle/KmbCi7LvszR8cjK19> within 10 working days post advert, on or before January **27th 2026**.

1. Updated CV not more than 3 pages
2. Cover letter for application only One (1) page
3. One-page summary table of educational background, work experience, skill, competence and current or last salary.

DON'T SUBMIT copies of transcripts, academic degrees, or recommendation letter as you will provide them up on request only. Make sure also you clearly state the job position and location in your email or on the cover of envelop and or application letter.

Due to the urgency of some position we shall conduct assessments on an ongoing basis as applications are received.

Disclaimer:

VSF Germany does not charge any kind of fee at whichever stage of the recruitment process and does not act through recruitment agents.