

CONSULTANT VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
On
Inventories of E-waste and Assessment of Recycling Facilities

Deadline for applications:	July 31st.2006
Date of issuance:	15 June 2006
Organizational unit:	Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for the Arab States (BCRC Egypt)
Duty station:	Algeria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia
Duration of Assignment	30 working days for each country
Lump sum compensation	US\$ 10000 for each country; all inclusive

Background

The Basel Convention Regional Centre for Training and Technology Transfer for Arab States in Cairo (BCRC-Egypt); hosted by the Centre for Environmental Hazard Mitigation at Cairo University, has been operational since 1998.

The Centre is currently implementing a project under the programme -"A Better Environment for Human Health and Well-being". The project is part of the overall efforts of the Parties to the Basel Convention to develop the capacity of countries, in particular the developing countries, to manage hazardous and other wastes consistently with the provisions of the Basel Convention. The project reflects the objectives articulated in the 1999 Ministerial Declaration adopted at the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, focusing on legal, administrative and technical capacity building through the network of the Basel Convention Regional Centres. More specifically, the project is fully coherent and compatible with the 10-year Strategic Plan for the Implementation of the Basel Convention (until 2010) and the Ministerial Statement adopted at the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties in 2004. More information on the project is available at www.baselegypt.org.

The Project is looking for a consultant with extensive professional and practical experience (7 years minimum) in the management of electronic wastes (e-wastes) to work with the Centre and the project team to develop schemes to

- 1) Conduct reliable inventories;
- 2) Assess e-waste problems; and
- 3) Assess existing or target recycling facilities used for e-waste management.

The terms of reference for the consultant are as follows:

Reporting

The consultant will report to the Director of the Centre and the International Facilitator

Responsibilities

- 1- The consultant(s) shall assess the current status of e-waste generation and management in the member country.
- 2- The consultant(s) shall assist in designing basic questionnaires to collect data and information regarding e-waste, as first step in compiling an e-waste inventory.
- 3- The consultant (s) shall compile and analyze information for evaluating recycling technologies for e-wastes.
- 4- The consultant(s) shall prepare evaluation criteria for monitoring e-waste generation/management in the member country.
- 5- The consultant(s) shall prepare criteria for assessing the efficiency of e-waste recycling facilities.
- 6- The consultant shall prepare recommendations to improve current e-waste management practices in the member country.
- 7- The consultants shall encourage ESM e-waste recycling practices.
- 8- The consultant shall prepare a recycling facility site visit report.

Deliverables expected from the Consultant include:

- 1- Report on e-waste status and recommendations report in the selected member country.
- 2- Develop a set of Guidelines and forms for conducting e-wastes inventory in the selected member country.
- 3- Develop a Policy proposal for national e-waste management.

Mission commencement:

Missions are expected in the month of September, October and December 2006. (to be fine tuned with the consultant selected and the country to receive the assistance)

The Consultant should have proven competencies in:

- a) Wide experience in hazardous waste management, in particular on waste classification, inventory and preferably in e-waste management
- b) Excellent communication (spoken and written) skills, including the ability to draft/edit technical reports, studies and other communications and to articulate ideas in a clear, concise manner.
- c) Proven background in technology awareness and knowledge related to the topic.
- d) Demonstrate team work skills.

Qualifications the Facilitator is expected to meet:

Education

Advanced and relevant university degree in Engineering, environmental or earth sciences, or in other discipline relevant to the scope of work, combined with relevant experience.

Work Experience

At least seven years of progressively responsible professional experience, including management experience in the area "management of e-waste.

Languages

Fluency in oral and written English is essential; working knowledge of Arabic would be an asset.

Other desirable skills

Good information technology skills.

There will be no restrictions on the eligibility of men and women for this consultancy.

PLEASE NOTE THAT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

How to apply

All applicants are strongly encouraged to apply in writing and send their applications to the following well before the deadline stated in the vacancy announcement:

Basel Convention Regional Center for Arab States (BCRC-Egypt)

BCRC _ Egypt

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