



CALL FOR APPLICATION

Position Title: **HEAD OF SURVEILLANCE AND DISEASE CONTROL DEPARTMENT AT OSAC**

Reference: **N°003/CEEAC/COM/PGDHS/CSSCM/OSAC/2024**

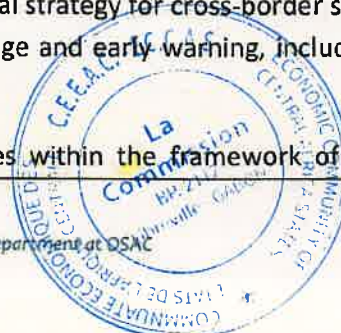
Application deadline: **September 09, 2024**

Duty station: **Malabo, Equatorial Guinea**

Type of contract: **Fixed-term contract of twelve (12) months renewable.**

The first year, dedicated to the operationalization of OSAC, is the test year whose success will lead to the extension of the contract.

SITUATION OF THE POSITION	
Department	Gender Promotion, Human and Social Development
Direction	Directorate of the Central African Health Organization
Structure	Central African Health Organization (OSAC)
Functional Relationships	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Internally, the Department of Gender Promotion, Human and Social Development, and other departments of the Commission as needed;- Externally: Institutions and International Organizations in Its field.
POSITION DUTIES	
Under the authority of the Director of OSAC, the Head of the Disease Surveillance and Control Service of the Central African Health Organization (OSAC) is responsible for managing and coordinating regional disease surveillance activities for human and animal epidemic-prone diseases in ECCAS member countries.	
CORE RESPONSIBILITIES	
The Department Head of Surveillance and Disease Control at OSAC is mainly responsible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Support and coordinate regional surveillance activities of human and animal epidemic-prone diseases in ECCAS member countries.- Coordinate and harmonize the collection of health data in terms of cross-border surveillance, information exchange, and early warning,- Interacting with key informants from ECCAS member states to collect additional information for documenting the regional context on epidemiological surveillance, information exchange, and early warning- Coordinate the production of a situation analysis report on the epidemiological situation and the exchange of information and early warning,- Develop and coordinate the implementation of the regional strategy for cross-border surveillance of human and animal epidemic-prone diseases, information exchange and early warning, including risk analysis and the process of conducting simulation exercises,- Support the implementation and monitoring of activities within the framework of the epidemiological	



surveillance network for human and animal diseases in the Member States;

- Contribute, where appropriate, to the preparation of response plans and their implementation in support of Member States.

REQUIRED PROFILE

Education

Hold a PhD in the field of health sciences (Public Health, epidemiology intervention, applied epidemiology, field epidemiology, health emergencies, etc.).

Experience

Have at least 5 years of professional experience in similar levels of responsibility (Cf. article 13 of the ECCAS Staff Regulations) in development projects.

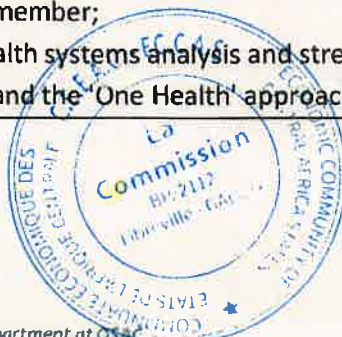
Have proven experience of at least ten (10) years in monitoring diseases in general with epidemic potential, in preparing states and preventing epidemics, and managing health emergencies in Central Africa, and in developing strategic documents (plans) in the field of epidemic control.

Knowledge

- Central Africa and ECCAS member countries;
- Reference institutions and international organizations;
- Have good scientific writing skills and activity report production in the health sector;
- Being able to maintain good relations with partner organizations, Ministries of Health, and other regulatory bodies with a view to strengthening and solidifying cooperation;
- Ability to work under pressure, and to act with discretion in a politically sensitive environment and to establish excellent working relationships both with government authorities and with colleagues;
- Excellent communication and negotiation skills;
- Have good computer skills (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, ...) as well as the ability to use New Information Technologies;
- Fluency in at least one of the four (4) languages of the Community, (French, English, Spanish, and Portuguese), and proficiency in another language of the Community would be an asset.

Technical skills

- Additional or higher academic qualifications in a relevant field are an additional advantage.
- Have proven experience in country preparedness and response to emergencies in Central Africa
- Previous experience in facilitating country preparedness for health emergency response as a team leader or member;
- Have proven experience in health systems analysis and strengthening, and knowledge of health security and the 'One Health' approach;



Behavioral skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Able to work under pressure and in a multicultural team; - Have a keen sense of organization, autonomy, and good relational quality; - Have a sense of organization and planning; - Have a sense of initiative and anticipation; - Be able to work in a spirit of open collaboration with other departments of ECCAS.
CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT	
Remuneration	Salary and benefits in accordance with the ECCAS pay grid.
Nationality & gender	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To be a national of a member state of ECCAS; overall geographical balance between member states will be taken into account in recruitment; - Female applications are encouraged.
APPLICATION FILE	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motivation letter; - Detailed curriculum vitae including the candidate's full contact details (name and surname, address, telephone, fax, email); - A nationality certificate; - Birth certificate or substitute judgment in lieu of it; - Criminal record (bulletin n°3) dating back less than three months; - Certified copies of academic or university diplomas and titles; - Employment certificates and documents attesting to professional references; - Medical certificate issued by an accredited physician; - Full identity of three reference persons who have no family relationship and who can attest to the professional and moral qualities of the candidate; <p>The complete file, including the reference: N°003/CEEAC/COM/PGDHS/CSSCM/OSAC/2024 and the position title “Head of Surveillance and Disease Control Department at OSAC”, must be sent electronically only to the following address: recrutements@ceeac-eccas.org</p> <p>N.B: Only successful candidates will be contacted for further consideration.</p>	



