



مؤسسة الأغا خان
AGA KHAN FOUNDATION

JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN) is a group of development agencies with mandates that include the environment, health, education, architecture, culture, microfinance, rural development, disaster reduction, and the promotion of private-sector enterprise and the revitalization of historic cities. AKDN agencies conduct their programmes without regard to faith, origin, or gender.

The Aga Khan Foundation in Syria seeks to employ a Term-Based **Project Officer -Climate and Economic Resilience through Livestock Intensification in Syria (CERLIS)** for its office in Aleppo.

JOB SUMMARY:

The Project Officer is responsible for providing expertise and necessary technical knowledge in planning and implementation of project interventions related to build the capacity of farmers to increase production and productivity of livestock, fishery, and small poultry in the project-targeted areas by promoting the adaptation of climate resilient and smart agriculture practices. The incumbent will report directly to the Project Coordinator.

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Contribute to the development, review and revision of the road to resilience related activities of the project Annual Work Plan (AWP).
- Implement the project's activities according to the approved AWP and budget, and ensure quality and compliance of implementation to internal policies, procedures and donor requirements.
- Provide administrative and technical guidance and supervision to the technical team of project assistants in Aleppo.
- Ensure that project activities are initiated and implemented on time, on budget and contribute to achieving the project aim, objectives and targets.
- In collaboration with the project team support the target communities to form Common Interests Groups (CIGs) in the project priority value chains of Awassi sheep, camel, fish and small poultry.
- Support the project team and experts/consultants in conducting of inventory, mapping and value chain analysis of Awassi sheep, camel, fish and small poultry in the project's targeted areas.
- Jointly with the project team, review value chain assessment reports, recommendations and develop and implement interventions to support value chains development.
- In close collaboration with Community Engagement Technical Specialist and other team members, ensure conducting training needs assessment of CIGs (Common Interests Groups) / (Community-Based Organizations) CBOs and design and implement capacity building plan, which includes but not limited to providing sector specific trainings, adaptation of best practices on improved livestock, fishery and poultry husbandry, breeding, health and feeding, exchange visits, access to information and know-how.
- Track, follow up and provide technical support to CBOs/CIGs in piloting, testing, adaptation and scaling up of innovations and best practices that contribute to increased production and productivity in the areas of livestock, fishery and poultry.
- Identify opportunities for improving livelihoods for farmers with particular focus on livestock sector.
- In collaboration with Community Engagement team, ensure the work with local communities through villages committees to assess their needs and identify the primary target households for the project activities.
- Work with relevant government agencies, LNGOs (Local Non-Governmental Organizations), research and academic institutions to explore opportunities for adoption of best practices and innovations in livestock, fishery and poultry.
- In close collaboration with project team and other units of AKF (Procurement, Logistic, Finance), identify the specifications, develop, purchase orders, and procurement.

- Conduct regular field visits to assess the impact of project interventions, identify risks that can impede attaining the project objectives and report to line manager.
- In coordination and guidance of MERL Officer (Monitoring, Evaluation, Research and Learning), support and participate in M&E activities including base-line/end-line/midterm assessments, project related surveys and data & information collection.
- Support development of case studies and other communication materials, which are both qualitative and quantitative and which narrate the best practices, lessons learned and success stories from the field.
- Contribute to development of project progress reports by providing evidence-based narrative information, data and analysis. Provide periodic (monthly, quarterly, annual, and ad-hoc) reports to line manager.
- Facilitate implementation of small grants with CIGs to support the project value chains development. This includes overseeing and providing technical support to CIGs/CBOs or other actors in livestock, fishery and poultry value chains to develop small proposal, develop sub-grants with beneficiaries, tracking and monitor the implementation of small grants, and ensuring the beneficiaries follow AKF's small grants policy and procedures.
- Ensure all project activities are implemented as planned and in accordance to AKF's policies, procedures and project requirements.
- Promote and support gender equality, environmental sustainability, youth engagement and safeguarding in planning and implementation of all project activities.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

- The applicant must have a University Degree in Agriculture, Agricultural Economics, Livestock health/veterinary, or other related fields.
- At least 3 years of prior professional experience in livestock, fishery, and poultry development.
- Knowledge of Value Chain Analysis and Development.
- Good knowledge and skills in project planning, implementation, and monitoring.
- Knowledge and understanding of gender equality principles and integration in project planning, budgeting, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation.
- Good understanding of climate change and principles of climate resilience building of farming community.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills in Arabic language.
- Proficiency in English languages is an asset.
- Excellent negotiation, teamwork, and communication skills.

Safeguarding Commitments:

AKF is committed to maintaining the highest standard of ethical behaviour among its staff, representatives, and partners to make sure of do no harm of the beneficiaries and whom dealing with. In line with this commitment; the incumbent to this position must adhere to the AKF Code of Conduct and the relevant Safeguarding policies.

Interested male and female applicants are required to apply exclusively via this [link](#)

Please note that applications submitted through any other platforms will be excluded directly.

Deadline for application submission is Sunday, March 15th 2026.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted

