

Template for Short-term Opportunities

Stellis CVs of interested applicants must be sent to: Local Production and Assistance (LPA) Unit, localproduction@who.int

1. Division/Dept/Unit	2. Supervisor
MHP/RPQ/LPA	Dr Jicui DONG
3. Contract dates	4. Contract type
From 20 April to 19 October 2022	Consultant
5. Location	
On site for insurance purposes only – travel to manufacturing sites to conduct assessments, locations to be agreed as per the LPA 2022 workplan	
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7. Remuneration and budget (<i>travel costs excluded</i>) – to note that a retiree cannot be offered a contract at a level higher than the grade held upon retirement	
8500 US\$/month – Band level B	
8. Purpose of Temporary appointment/Consultant contract	
Objectives of the Programme:	
The purpose of this consultancy is to assist and support the LPA Unit with programme activities in strengthening local production and technology transfer for improving access to quality-assured, safe and effective health products.	
Descriptions of Deliverables:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide Prequalification (PQ)-related specialized technical assistance, with a report, for up to 6 manufacturers of vaccines and other biological/pharmaceutical/health products with inspections of the manufacturing facility and its quality management and quality assurance systems for compliance with current WHO good manufacturing practices standards 2. Provide PQ-related specialized technical assistance, with a report, for up to 6 manufacturers of vaccines and other biological/pharmaceutical/health products on the development and/or implementation of the manufacturer's corrective and preventive action plans 3. Provide PQ-related specialized technical assistance, with a report, for up to 6 manufacturers of vaccines and other biological/pharmaceutical/health products with on-site/virtual training and/or technical assistance on current GMP and/or the corrective and preventive action plans (CAPAs) 4. Prepare the relevant reports with the provision of PQ-related specialized technical assistance to up to 6 manufacturers of vaccines and other biological/pharmaceutical/health products 5. Conduct on-site assessments of the facilities, with a report, for up to 3 manufacturers of vaccines and other biological/pharmaceutical/health products 6. Provide technical input on a strategy for hands-on capacity building to strengthen local production and technology transfer of quality-assured vaccines and other health products 7. Provide technical input on the technical products of the LPA Unit, such as the situational analysis tool 	
REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:	

Education:

Essential: Advanced university degree in pharmacy, sciences, life sciences or other health or socio-economic related fields.

Desirable: Advanced university degree related to development and/or production of vaccines and/or biological products, such as immunology, biochemistry, cellular biology or biotechnology.

Experience:

Essential: A minimum of seven years of relevant professional experience, including professional experience, some years of which are gained in an international context, in the production, quality assurance of vaccines and/or biological products and in conducting good manufacturing practice (GMP) audits under current WHO/international GMP standards.

Desirable: Relevant professional experience in the medical product manufacturing industry including experience in conducting GMP audits; in a national regulatory authority as a GMP inspector of vaccine/biological product manufacturers; in facility design for the vaccine/biological product and/or pharmaceutical manufacturing industry; with the WHO Prequalification and/or Emergency Use Listing procedures; in organizing and/or providing capacity building/training for quality production of medical products in low- and middle-income countries; in technology transfers; and/or with an international organization

Use of Language Skills:

Essential: Excellent knowledge of spoken and written English.

Desirable: Working knowledge of another WHO official language

Others

Skills/Knowledge

Essential:

- Sound knowledge of manufacturing, current Good Manufacturing Practices and/or quality management systems and regulation for vaccines and biological products;
- Knowledge of WHO and other internationally-recognized quality assurance standards, WHO emergency listing and/or prequalification procedures and/or health product regulation for vaccines and biological products;
- Ability to review, revise or develop technical documents, policies and activities in the area of local production and technology transfer of medical products;
- Ability to design, plan and implement activities to achieve the goal(s);
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, strong planning and organizational skills and ability to use a range of IT tools (Word, Excel, presentation software, databases and web navigators);
- Demonstrated ability to interact with all stakeholders with tact and diplomacy, upholding the reputation of the Organization at all times.

Desirable:

- Knowledge of the manufacturing processes, chemistry, manufacturing and control (CMC) and/or product dossier requirements of vaccines and/or biological products in accordance with current WHO/internationally-recognized standards;
- Knowledge of the manufacturing processes, CMC, GMP and/or product dossier requirements of medicines in accordance with current WHO and/or internationally-recognized standards