



## Position Advertisement

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### Technical Officer (Vietnam)

- Full time (Fixed term contract) 4-5 years
- Global One Health epidemiology consulting company
- USAID-funded project
- Vietnamese national
- Position based in Ho Chi Minh
- Excellent English and Vietnamese communication (written and spoken)
- Excellent leadership and organisational skills
- Salary based on skills and experience
- Experience working with public and private sector in the livestock health sector is essential

We are looking for an organised, experienced Technical Officer based in Vietnam to take on a key role in the implementation of a complex health project in-country. The position will be based in Ho Chi Minh City and you will need to work flexibly and creatively with the team across several time zones. You will already have a good background in health/disease/epidemiology/value chains in food animal production. You will already have good national and/or global networks and have a strong professional profile.

The National Project Lead will lead the national implementation of this 5-year risk mitigation program supported by the Technical Officer. The project will be using a systems approach to increase the capacity of government, agribusinesses, and farmers to prevent, identify and respond to disease threats related to AMR, TADs and zoonoses. Data collection, analysis, and application will be at the heart of our component of this project which will strengthen current systems and enable farmers, governments, service providers, and others to better predict, identify, track, and mitigate farm-based disease and other health related issues.

If you think you have the necessary qualities and abilities outlined, can demonstrate your suitability, AND want to make important contributions to public, animal and environmental health in Vietnam then we really want to hear from you.

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## Job Description

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### Technical Officer (Vietnam)

#### Full-time. Fixed-term employment contract for 4 to 5 years

We are currently seeking an outstanding candidate to join our growing team for a key project implementation position in a new and exciting 4- to 5-year project spanning several countries. This project commenced in March 2021 and is in early establishment phase. The successful candidate will support the National Team Lead in driving all in-country activities.

### About Ausvet

[Ausvet](#) is a private epidemiology consulting company headquartered in Australia but with offices in Canberra, Fremantle and Lyon, France.

Established for over 22 years, the Ausvet team has a passion for complex epidemiological challenges, finding innovative solutions and supporting improved health outcomes in LMICs. We work around the globe on enormously varied projects, seeking to improve the health and wellbeing of humans, terrestrial and aquatic animals, and plants, using applied epidemiology combined with complementary disciplines. Our projects include:

- epidemiological data analysis
- disease control and eradication program design, implementation, and evaluation
- animal health policy review and analysis
- epidemiological information system design and implementation
- biosecurity system design
- disease surveillance
- training
- outbreak investigation and response
- design and analysis of trials
- risk analysis
- applied and methodological research
- and much more.

Ausvet has a long history of providing a range of capacity building services to the Government of Indonesia and since 2012 the company has been involved in the design, development and implementation of the country's integrated national animal health and production system, iSIKHNAS.

Ausvet is seeking to attract a great leader, communicator and a highly organised person who has the necessary skills and experience to support a large international research and development project with a diverse team located across four countries.

### The position

We are seeking an experienced person to fill a new full-time Technical Officer position based in Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam. The project's goals are to develop sustainable market-driven approaches to address



livestock value-chain risks of antimicrobial resistance (AMR), transboundary animal diseases (TADs) and zoonoses, through the implementation of integrated people-centred information systems for animal health and production. The project will be researching ways that improved access to useful data to relevant stakeholders can improve health outcomes.

Working in collaboration with Ausvet consultants in France and Australia, the Technical Officer will support the National Project Lead to drive the design and implementation of a range of project activities in-country, support research goals, ensure strong stakeholder liaison and communication and develop partnerships with the public and private sectors throughout the life of the project in Vietnam.

## Position Tasks & Responsibilities

Duties may include, but are not limited to, close involvement in the following activities:

- identification how surveillance, production, traceability and other data may be creatively used for risk-management within a market-driven framework in Vietnam
- development and delivery of high-quality project outputs to clients on-time and on-budget
- lead the development and management of projects.
- supervise, manage, mentor and support consultants working in their project teams to ensure achievement of project outcomes,
- strengthen ongoing client relationships and professional networks
- ensure excellent quality project activities and outputs
- assist in the support and management of the consultant team
- support the company's administrative needs and obligations

## Qualifications, experience and personal attributes

Epidemiology is at the heart of most of Ausvet's work and this project will require a leader with a strong background in animal disease surveillance and management. We work across multiple disciplines and would accept candidates with other specialist skills in areas including;

- health information systems, international development, One Health, public health, social science, user-focused system design, market and industry expertise, economics, intensive poultry/livestock production

### Essential

#### Qualifications

- Advanced (post-graduate) qualifications (for example, a Master's or PhD in epidemiology, veterinary, sociology, social sciences economics, etc.) and demonstrated expertise in one or more of the disciplines related to the project's work (animal production, veterinary medicine, diagnostics, research)

#### Professional experience

- Strong linkages with Government agencies and experience in working with animal production, preferably in the integrated, intensive sector



- Good experience in the national and local animal health sector
- Good understanding of management of health threats including AMR, TADs, and zoonoses
- Good understanding of animal and food production systems in the country
- Strong technical skills, leadership, management, and organisational skills
- Experience in veterinary research / data collection/ market research / veterinary diagnostics.
- Excellent command of spoken and written English, and demonstrated ability to prepare high quality written communications, including project reports, policy documents and scientific papers in English
- Excellent communication and network and relationship building skills
- Able to communicate effectively using a variety of digital tools (video-conferencing, phone, WhatsApp, etc)
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate effectively in small and large teams both remotely and in person
- Demonstrated ability to adapt to change effectively and to adopt new tools, methods and technologies efficiently.

## Applications

The deadline for applications is **Sunday, 18 July 2021** - 11:59 CET. Applications should include:

- A convincing covering letter explaining your motivations and demonstrating how you have the skills, qualifications, and attributes mentioned above
- A detailed and professional curriculum vitae
- Salary expectations and a realistic, indicative date when you might be available to start.
- Short-listed candidates will be required to supply the names and contact details of at least 2 referees who can attest to their recent performance in a professional setting.
- Please send your application to: [recruitment@ausvet.eu](mailto:recruitment@ausvet.eu)

## COVID-19 considerations

We work collaboratively, use communication tools to their fullest and maintain close contact with all our consultants, collaborators and partners even while we work remotely. Due to the current situation in France and partner countries, we anticipate that much of the recruitment process will be conducted remotely.