**Vacancy Announcement**

**Chargé de mission in the Antimicrobial Resistance and Veterinary Products Department, with focus on aquatic animals**

**Salary:** Base salary at 2600 € net / month  
Salary - totally or partially - exempt of French income tax  
Benefits (annual quality bonus)

**Duration :** One (1) year

**Context**

The OIE, previously known as the « Office international des épizooties », was created on 25 January 1924. Its headquarters are based in Paris. It comprises 182 Member Countries and is present on all continents through 12 Representations or Bureaus in total. The OIE maintains permanent relations with over 70 international and regional organisations and has 12 regional offices around the globe.

The World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) is an intergovernmental organisation recognised by the World Trade Organization as a reference Organisation for intergovernmental standards concerning the sanitary safety of international trade of animals and products of animal origin and zoonoses, and oversees improving animal health, veterinary public health and animal welfare worldwide, as well as transparency of the global animal disease situation. The OIE has developed standards related to Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) that are published in the Terrestrial and Aquatic Animal Health Codes. In addition, the OIE publishes the List of Antimicrobials of Veterinary Importance that includes aquatic animals.

In 2016, the OIE has developed a strategy on Antimicrobial Resistance and the Prudent Use of Antimicrobials which includes the development of a database tracing the use of antimicrobial agents in animals (Antimicrobial Use (AMU) Database), including in aquaculture.

**Positioning and reporting**

Under the authority of the Deputy Director General (International Standards and Science), and the supervision of the Head of the Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) and Veterinary Products Department.

**Job purpose**

The *Chargé de mission* enhances the OIE’s activities regarding AMR through the development of a detailed work plan and project proposal related to antimicrobial resistance in aquatic animals and the support to the collection of data on the use of antimicrobial agents in aquatic animals.

He/she contributes to the scientific excellence and integrity of OIE activities to address AMR in particular the implementation of the OIE Strategy on Antimicrobial Resistance and the Prudent Use of Antimicrobials in Animals in collaboration with the team of the AMR and Veterinary Products Department and relevant colleagues working on topics related to aquatic animals mainly in the Standards Department.

**Missions and activities**

**Provide expert/technical advice and support on AMR related to aquatic animals**

- Conduct a critical analysis on existing OIE activities on the subject and draft a detailed proposal for OIEs future work
- Strengthen the OIE’s annual data collection efforts for the global database on the use of antimicrobial agents in animals to ensure that aquatic animals are adequately addressed
- Prepare working documents, power points, background papers and other analytical documents, when relevant
- Serve as contact point for the OIE on the topic

**Ensure coordination with partner organisations on the implementation of joint strategies and activities**

- Interact with subject matter experts
- Represent the OIE and its position within relevant networks and at international conferences, meetings or workshops
- Participate in drafting meeting reports and minutes
- Facilitate correspondence with partners on the topic

**Provide support to the standard setting process through the work of the relevant ad hoc groups**

- Contribute to the international standards setting process in particular the update of the OIE List of Veterinary Important Antimicrobial Agents
- Review Section 6 “Antimicrobial use in aquatic animals” of the Aquatic Code and provide guidance as to which chapters require updating
- Liaise internally with relevant departments to ensure compilation of cross-cutting relevant data

In addition, the Head of the AMR and Veterinary Products Department may, when necessary, assign to the incumbent any other duties, responsibilities and activities within his or her area of competence.
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Qualifications and Experience

**Required qualifications:**
- A degree in veterinary science, biological sciences, or equivalent with a specific focus on aquatic animal health
- At least 5 years of professional experience, including a minimum of 3 years in the aquaculture sector, in a National Veterinary or Aquatic Animal Health Authority or equivalent
- Professional experience in AMR would be an asset

**Requirements:**

**Technical skills:**
- Good working knowledge of Microsoft Office, in particular Word, and Excel
- Excellent knowledge of English, both spoken and written
- Good knowledge of French or Spanish is an asset

**Additional competencies:**
- Technical knowledge on veterinary drugs
- Understanding drug regulatory processes
- Experience in the use of antimicrobial agents in aquatic animals

**Interpersonal skills:**
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to establish and maintain good working relationships in a multinational and multicultural environment
- Strong analytical and editorial skills
- Capacity to learn and a self-motivated worker
- Excellent organisation skills and ability to meet specific deadlines

**Working conditions**

This is a one-year, full-time position as an international civil servant based at the OIE Headquarters in Paris (France). It requires long hours in a seated position at a computer. It may also require occasional missions abroad.

**General information**

The OIE places high value on a multicultural and positive work environment. The OIE is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes applications of all qualified candidates, irrespective of their ethnic origin, gender, opinions or beliefs. Expected starting date **as soon as possible**.

If you are interested in the position, please complete your application online by **8 February 2019** at noon (Paris local time) at the latest by clicking on the link below.

Should you have any questions, please contact Human Resources at hr.dept@oie.int.

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