

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTERESTS - SCIENTIFIC DATA EVALUATION AND REGULATORY RISK ASSESSMENT SERVICES FOR STOCK REMEDIES, PESTICIDES, ANIMAL FEED AND FERTILIZER PRODUCTS

In South Africa, the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) regulates fertilizers, animal feeds, pesticides, and stock remedies to ensure that they are effective and that they pose minimal risk to human health and the environment in terms of the Fertilizers, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies and Stock Remedies Act, 1947 (Act No. 36 of 1947).

1. The DALRRD is seeking expressions of interests from suitable qualified and experienced individual who will evaluate and/or regulatory risk assess data for the registration of fertilizers, animal feeds, pesticides, and stock remedies
2. The services to be provided under the assignment consists of evaluation and/or regulatory risk assessment as well as making recommendations to the Registrar of the Fertilizers, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies and Stock Remedies Act, 1947 (Act 6 of 1947).
3. Respondents may express an interest in one or more of the disciplines indicated above.
4. The DALRRD invites individual scientists to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services. Interested scientist shall provide information on their qualifications and experience demonstrating their ability to undertake this assignment (curriculum vitae, references to similar services, experiences to similar assignments, etc.)

Required skills, qualification and experience

Applicable Knowledge

- A comprehensive knowledge of the regulatory framework and guideline in which the DALRRD operates in the assessment and approval of pesticides, fertilizers, animal feeds and stock remedies in South Africa.
- Extensive knowledge of technical aspects for clinical/scientific evaluation of safety and efficacy studies or reports of fertilizers, pesticides, stock remedies and animal feeds products

Applicable Skills

- Ability to evaluate scientific studies or reports on the safety, quality and efficacy of fertilizers, pesticides, stock remedies and animal feeds products for the appropriate use of sound methodology and scientific principles.

- Highly developed analytical and problem-solving skills, with the ability to evaluate, provide pragmatic advice and make decisions on complex information, with demonstrated experience in the conduct of assessment particularly relating to quality, safety and efficacy of products.
- Assist in making regulatory decisions in accordance with the legislation, regulation, norms and standards.
- Demonstrated high level communication skills, including the ability to prepare documents and reports, ability to communicate clearly and confidently with clients and staff
- Demonstrated integrity and ability to work in team.
- Manage time efficiently through efficient work and effective prioritisation

Relevant Qualifications

Appropriate post degree in agriculture/veterinary/pharmacy/pharmacology/toxicology sciences. Proof of registration with the relevant council as a professional

Further information

Interested individual may obtain further information to Mr MJ Mudzunga, via email, MalutaM@dalrrd.gov.za or Tel 012 319 7303

Duration

The estimated duration of services is three years, with two years extension options.

Closing date

20 May 2022