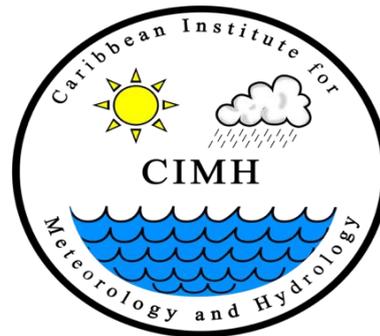




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## **Post of Social Scientist for the Climate Services and Related Applications(ClimSA) Caribbean Programme**



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## **SOCIAL SCIENTIST**

**Closing Date: October 7<sup>th</sup> 2022**

### **1. DETAILS OF THE POST**

Applications are invited from interested and suitably qualified nationals of CARIFORUM Member States<sup>1</sup> to fill the above-mentioned position at the Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH) with assigned duty station in Barbados. It is recognized that the on-going global COVID-19 pandemic may limit initial travel to the duty station.

### **2. FUNCTIONS OF THE POST**

The Social Scientist will be responsible for supporting the implementation of activities under the Intra-ACP Climate Services and Related Applications (ClimSA) Caribbean Programme with the support of the WMO Designated Caribbean Regional Climate Center (RCC) managed and operated by the CIMH, and will report jointly to the Head of the RCC and the Programme Manager, ClimSA Programme.

### **3. PROFESSIONAL REQUIRMENTS/QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

Candidates should possess:

- A graduate degree (M.Sc. or Ph.D.) specializing in either social or behavioural sciences and associated sub-disciplines is preferred. Candidates possessing a graduate degree (M.Sc. or Ph.D.) specializing in climate/environmental science, environmental management, disaster risk management, agriculture and food security, health, water resources management, may also apply.
- At least 5 years of research experience following completion of the M.Sc. or at least 2 years of research experience following completion of the Ph.D.
- Familiarity with GIS and spatial analysis tools would be an asset

### **4. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Under the direction of the Principal, the Head of the RCC and the Programme Manager, ClimSA Caribbean, the Social Scientist (ClimSA Programme) will be required to perform duties as detailed below:

The successful candidate will work in a multi-disciplinary team conducting training, research and development to:

- (i) Support the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services in 3 pilot countries to develop and/or strengthen National Frameworks for Climate Services according to World Meteorological Organization guidelines;

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<sup>1</sup> Antigua and Barbuda, The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago.

(ii) Advance the effective development, translation and delivery of national climate information (including tailored seasonal forecasts and bulletins) to the agriculture, water and health sectors in 3 pilot countries;

(iii) Assist in the development and/or strengthening of Early-Warning Information Systems Across Climate Timescales (EWISACTs) for the agriculture, water and health sectors in 3 pilot countries;

(iv) Assist in climate impacts reporting at community and national levels in 3 pilot countries.

## **5. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

The successful candidate should be (i) performance driven, (ii) able to work independently, (iii) able to function in a highly dynamic and collaborative work environment, have (iv) excellent coordination and communicational skills and (v) experience in project or programme work.

It is expected that the successful candidate will be familiar with:

- (i) qualitative and quantitative social science methods and tools;
- (ii) participatory assessment and evaluation approaches;
- (iii) common spreadsheet/database software, and
- (iv) the scientific principles of climate change and associated impacts in the Caribbean

## **6. EMOLUMENTS AND BENEFITS**

Compensation will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The ideal candidate should be a mid-career professional.

## **7. DURATION & EXPECTED START DATE**

The position is available for 2 years in the first instance, starting preferably in October 2022 or as soon as possible thereafter.

## **8. APPLICATIONS**

Interested candidates are required to submit applications (Cover letter, curriculum vitae, certificates, and the contact information for two professional referees) addressed to:

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