

# Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development (RCMRD)

# VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

## **Introduction**

The Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development (RCMRD), previously known was established in Nairobi, Kenya in 1975 under the auspices of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and African Union (UNECA). It is an intergovernmental organization and currently has twenty (20) contracting member States, namely: Botswana, Burundi, Comoros, Ethiopia, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Rwanda, Seychelles, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

The Centre's main mission is to promote sustainable development in the member States through generation, application and dissemination of geo-information and allied ICT services and products. The main Geoinformation technologies promoted by the Centre are Geographic Information System (GIS), Satellite Remote Sensing, Global Positioning System (GPS) and Information Technology (IT). The Centre is also vigorously involved in the promotion of the development of National Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI) in its member states and in Africa.

Since establishment, the Centre has been instrumental in capacity building in resource surveys, mapping, remote sensing, GIS and natural resources assessment and management, disaster risk reduction in Africa. The Centre implements projects on behalf of its member States and development partners as well as undertaking advisory services, research and development activities.

### The Centre is desirous to fill the following position:

• Director of Remote Sensing, Geo-information Systems and Mapping (P3/P4)

### Job description and requirements for the position are as follows:

Under the guidance and supervision of the Director General, the incumbent will carry out the following functions:

- Preparing budgets and initiating work plans;
- Identifying projects and Writing project proposals;
- Managing projects in collaboration with the Project Co-ordination Section;
- Conducting applied and fundamental research;
- Preparing and revising training curriculum and training materials in collaboration with the Training Co-ordination Section;
- Ensuring quality control and assurance of production work;
- Assessing the capacity-building needs of member States in the fields of Remote Sensing, Photogrammetry, GIS and Cartography;
- Participating in workshops, seminars and regional meetings; and
- Reporting the activities of the Department to the management of the Centre.

### **Requirements**

The ideal candidate must have:

PhD degree in Geo-information, Earth Science, Space Science and Computer Science with at least 10 years of experience in the field

#### Or;

MSc in Remote Sensing, Photogrammetry and Environmental Science with at least 14 years of work experience in the field of Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry

*Contract duration*: Three (3) years renewable.

#### **Remuneration**

*Salary Scale*: The salaries for the above position are consolidated and are in the range of:

P3/P4: USD\$35,710 – US\$54,541p.a.

Entry point for the position will be determined by qualifications and experience.

**Benefits:** These include, housing allowance, transport allowance, contributory provident fund with both parties contributing 7% of monthly basic salary towards the fund, 10% gratuity of annual basic salary based on successful completion of the contract and a staff contributory group medical scheme to a maximum of five (5) family members.

Applicants for these positions must be nationals of the RCMRD's member States only.

#### **Applications should be addressed to:**

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to reach him not later than 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015