

## **VACANCY NOTE**

### **Regional Coordinator – Latin America for the Fisheries Transparency Initiative (FiTI)**

Date: 8 July 2021

Starting date:	01 September 2021
Duration:	24 months, extension possible
Location:	Must be based in a Latin American country (home based)
Job type:	Long-term consultancy, full time (35-40 hours/week)

#### **About the FiTI:**

The Fisheries Transparency Initiative (FiTI) is a global multi-stakeholder initiative. Its purpose is to increase transparency and participation in fisheries governance for the benefit of a more sustainable management of marine fisheries.

By making fisheries management more transparent and inclusive, the FiTI promotes informed public debates on fisheries policies and supports the long-term contribution of the sector to national economies and the well-being of citizens and businesses that depend on a healthy marine environment.

The FiTI is not owned or operated by one organisation, nor does it represent the work of a single interest group. Instead, the diversity of different stakeholders is a central feature of the FiTI. It is governed by an International Multi-Stakeholder Board, and operated by the FiTI International Secretariat, which is located in Seychelles.

More information can be found at: <https://www.fiti.global>

#### **Job description:**

Under this long-term consulting contract, we are seeking a Regional Coordinator for Latin America to increase the public availability of government information in fisheries management. In particular, the objectives of this engagement are as follows:

- At least three governments from Latin American countries (e.g. Mexico, Ecuador, Peru, Costa Rica) have committed to join the FiTI and started the implementation of the FiTI Standard – thereof, at least one country has obtained the status of a FiTI Candidate country;
- At least five assessments regarding the online availability of fisheries management information have been conducted.

This vacancy is a unique opportunity to play a leading role in supporting the growth of the FiTI in Latin America and to contribute to the global development of this initiative.

## Key responsibilities:

### Awareness raising

- Determining target countries, stakeholders and tailored engagement approaches to reach the above-stated objectives
- Conducting up to 8 missions to countries in the region to discuss with stakeholders from governments, business and civil society the opportunities to engage in the FiTI
- Engaging with national support partners to align outreach and communication approaches

### Coordination of FiTI implementation in Latin America

- Supporting countries in implementing the FiTI Standard, in close cooperation with the designated national governmental focal points
- Conducting regular meetings/telephone appointments with designated focal points
- Providing guidance to national stakeholders upon request (e.g. revision of FiTI-related documents, roadmaps and strategic workplans)
- Conceptualizing and organizing FiTI-relevant events with national and regional actors
- Conducting at least five assessments regarding the online availability of fisheries management information, in collaboration with national research partners

### Communication & Partnerships

- Representing the FiTI in relevant national and regional events
- Promoting national and regional FiTI activities on social media (e.g. Twitter, Facebook)
- Providing regular blog articles on FiTI-related activities for the FiTI website
- Supporting the translation of key documents into Spanish
- Forging long-term partnerships with regional non-governmental organisations from civil society, media and academia

### Support the global administration and governance

- Contributing to the enhancement of the global FiTI conceptual framework (e.g. elaboration of guidance notes and conceptual papers)
- Participating in weekly status calls with the Executive Director of the International Secretariat
- Supporting global communication/outreach of the FiTI International Secretariat (including official correspondence)
- Providing advice to the FiTI International Board, if requested
- Undertaking other related tasks as assigned by the Executive Director of the International Secretariat

## Qualifications:

Candidates should have a solid academic background and more specifically:

- a strong motivation and flexibility to work for an ambitious international initiative;
- at least 4 years of professional experience in the fisheries sector, other sectoral multi-stakeholder initiatives or open government/access to information efforts in Latin America;
- solid network of key organisations in the public sector, civil society and/or fisheries management/oceans governance;
- proven capacity to draft concept papers and analyses at a high level (in English & Spanish);
- experience of multi-stakeholder partnerships and working with governmental institutions;
- excellent communication, presentation and interpersonal skills ;
- proven problem-solving skills;
- readiness to travel on a regular basis within the region (at least one trip per quarter);
- proven track record of successful project management, experience in fundraising would be an asset;
- experience in remote collaboration;
- Spanish (native speaker) and English (fluent).

## Our offer:

- Be part of a friendly and highly motivated global team willing to make a difference for sustainable fisheries.
- Unique opportunity to contribute to developing a global, impactful initiative.
- Access to key national and international decision makers.
- Participation in conferences and workshops.
- Flexible working hours.
- Competitive remuneration, based on qualifications and experience.

## Interested?

Candidates who meet the above requirements should send a cover letter (in English), explaining their motivation, why they are suited for the position and the expected salary, as well as their CV by email to [career@fiti.global](mailto:career@fiti.global). The deadline for application is **31 July 2021**.

Qualified female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply. Online interviews will be conducted in calendar week 32.