Expertise required for the Palestinian Municipal Management Project Phase II
Call for Expression of Interest

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities is seeking municipal experts to help implement the second phase of the Palestinian Municipal Management Project (PMMP II). This is a $3.2-million three-year CIDA-funded and FCM-managed project which aims at enhancing the management capacity and level of public participation in municipal decision-making in two Palestinian municipalities: Rafah and Khan Younis, both located in the southern part of Gaza Strip.

The goal of the Palestinian Municipal Management Project, Phase II is "to support development and peace initiatives that improve the quality of life of citizens and achieve sustainable development in the Palestinian municipalities."

PMMP II requires volunteer municipal professionals with expertise in the areas of: Municipal Leadership and Planning, Urban Planning and Master Plan Development, Environmental Planning and Management and Human Resources Management. More information can be found on FCM’s International Centre for Municipal Development interactive website: http://www.ccm-cdm.ca

The first field mission to Gaza / or Cairo will last approximately 7 to 10 days, leaving Canada between February and March 2006. All travel expenses (air travel, accommodation, meals) will be paid by FCM according to the Treasury Board of Canada travel guidelines. Interested volunteers should have the support of their municipal council and the time to potentially join subsequent technical missions. Previous experience with international programs or in cooperation projects in developing countries is a definite asset.

The deadline for expressions of interest is February 22nd, 2006.

Municipalities interested in volunteering their staff or municipalities seeking further information about how to engage in an FCM partnership should contact Wafa Saad at (613) 241-5221, ext. 267, wsaaad@fcma.ca or middleeast@fcma.ca.

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