

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT No: IRC2037

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Deadline For Application: 16 November 2011

POSITION TITLE: Forestry Officer GRADE LEVEL: P-2

(Statistics) Duty Station: Rome

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: Forest Economics Team Duration *: Fixed term: 3 years

Forest Economics, Policy and Products Division, Post Code/N°: 1055160

FOE

Forestry Department, FO CCOG Code: 1E17

Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the general supervision of the Director, FOE and the direct supervision of the Team Leader, Forest Economics Team, the incumbent will contribute to the compilation and analysis of data and information of wood and non-wood forest products. In particular, the incumbent will:

- collect, compile, analyse and disseminate statistical data on production, consumption and trade of wood and non-wood forest products, including secondary wood products as well as income and employment in the forest sector;
- participate in the preparation of questionnaires; draft correspondence to obtain or clarify information from national and international sources; and research a variety of published sources;
- identify sources, evaluate suitability of data and assist with the analysis of information on forest products, income, employment and expenditures;
- contribute to the preparation of the FAO Yearbook of Forest Products and other statistical publications;
- maintain the statistical databases ensuring transfer of data and recording appropriate technical notes;
- provide advice on approaches and methodologies for improving FAO Member Countries' collection and analysis of statistical data;
- respond to inquiries from users concerning information disseminated and the availability of data;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

University Degree in Forestry or Statistics

Three years of relevant experience in the collection, compilation and analysis of statistical data at the national and international level, including exposure to preparation of publications on forest products

Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or of Arabic, Chinese or Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Relevance of experience in collecting, compiling and analysing statistics, preferably on international matters
- Extent of working experience with statistical databases
- Depth of knowledge of statistical analysis techniques
- Demonstrated ability in analysing information and presenting findings in clear manner
- Quality of both oral and written communication skills
- Extent of language skills, with an emphasis on languages of the Organization (English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese and Russian)

 Please note that all candidates should possess computer/word processing skills and should be capable of working with people of different national and cultural backgrounds.
- * The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

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and complete the on-line application

In order for your candidature to be properly evaluated, please ensure to complete the on-line application in all sections.

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