



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Deadline For Application: **04 February 2014**

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<b>POSITION TITLE:</b>	<b>Senior Policy Officer</b>	<b>GRADE LEVEL:</b>	<b>P-5</b>
		<b>DUTY STATION:</b>	<b>Bangkok</b>
<b>ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:</b>	<b>Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific</b>	<b>DURATION *:</b>	<b>Fixed Term: 2 years</b>
	Economic, Social and Policy Assistance Group	<b>POST CODE/N°:</b>	<b>0409901</b>
		<b>CCOG CODE:</b>	<b>1E02</b>

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**Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged  
Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.  
All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.**

**The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.**

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**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

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Under the overall managerial and administrative leadership of the ADG/Regional Representative, RAP, the technical/functional guidance of the ES Department and under the coordination of the Group Coordinator, Economic, Social and Policy Assistance Group (RAP), the incumbent will work as a member of a RAP multidisciplinary team to provide intellectual leadership on food and agricultural policy work in the region and on the provision of policy support to FAO member countries and regional organizations in Asia and the Pacific. In particular, the incumbent will:

- lead, in collaboration with relevant FAO technical officers, reviews of policies, strategies and frameworks at country and regional levels for strengthening food security and promoting sustainable agricultural and rural development;
- advise and support FAO member countries and regional economic organizations in the analysis and formulation of policies, strategies and programmes for food security and agricultural development;
- provide technical support to FAORs in policy analysis and advise and programme development including Country Programme Formulation and implementation;
- promote cooperation with bilateral and multilateral development partners, including UN agencies, through the formulation and implementation of regional and country programmes and projects associated with policy strategy development and implementation;
- represent FAO at official and working level meetings related to policy/strategy formulation and implementation on the technical areas including food and nutrition security, sustainable agriculture and rural development;
- promote regional knowledge networks on policy issues and participate actively in the generation and dissemination of FAO and other knowledge products;
- contribute to technical servicing of FAO statutory bodies and other relevant regional fora;
- perform other related duties as required.

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

*Candidates should meet the following:*

- Advanced university degree in economics or agricultural economics, preferably at the Ph. D. level
- Ten years of relevant experience in policy analysis, policy advice and programme and project development in areas related to food, agriculture and food security
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

*Candidates will be assessed against the following:*

- Extent and relevance of experience in policy analysis, policy advice and programme development in areas related to food, agriculture and food security
- Demonstrated ability to plan, organize and conduct policy analysis, sector and sub-sector reviews and programme development in areas related to food, agriculture and food security
- Demonstrated ability to plan, organize, lead and participate in team work
- Knowledge of food security and agricultural development issues of Asia and the Pacific region
- Level of academic qualifications, including publications record

*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.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: [iRecruitment@fao.org](mailto:iRecruitment@fao.org)

**In order for your application to be properly evaluated, please ensure that all sections of the on-line application are completed.**

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