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Deadline For Application: 16 November 2011

POSITION TITLE:	Food Standards Officer	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Rome
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission, AGNC	DURATION *:	Fixed-Term: 3 years
	Nutrition and Consumer Protection Division, AGN	POST CODE/N°:	0333840
	Agriculture & Consumer Protection Department, AG	CCOG CODE:	1102b

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 Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission, the incumbent will participate in the administration and execution of scientific and technical aspects of the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme within the Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission. In particular, the incumbent will:

- act as Secretary or Assistant Secretary of various technical and regional subsidiary bodies of the Commission concerned with the development of food standards and related texts for the protection of consumers' health and ensuring fair practices in food trade, including the preparation of agendas, technical and other working documents, and reports of the session;
- prepare the final standards drafted by these bodies for publication following their adoption by the Commission;
- prepare technical papers and reports for the Commission and its Executive Committee;
- represent the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme, meetings of other bodies or organizations engaged in international food standards and related work;
- participate in the work of international expert bodies convened to provide scientific or technical advice to the Commission;
- provide, on request by governments or other interested parties, information concerning food standards and related matters;
- perform other related duties as required

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Food Science, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Veterinary or Public Health, or related subjects
- Seven years of relevant experience in the development and application of food standards and food control programmes at national, regional or international level
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two, or Arabic, Chinese or Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

Scope and depth of experience in the development and application of food standards and food control programmes, in relation to food safety and quality, at national, regional or international level

Extent of overall understanding of the work of the Codex Alimentarius Commission

Quality of written and oral communication skills in English

Extent of experience in analysing technical information and preparing clear reports in English

Extent of experience in organizing and coordinating meetings, especially at international or regional level

Extent of language skills

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