

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT No: IRC2462

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Deadline For Application: 18 February 2014

Position Title: Junior Professional Officer (Plant Grade Level: P1

Protection)

DUTY STATION: Bangkok, Thailand

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, RAP DURATION *: Fixed Term: 2 years

POST CODE/N°: Unidentified

CCOG CODE: 1H01

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.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall guidance of the Assistant Director-General/Regional Representative, RAP and the direct supervision of the Senior Plant Protection Officer, RAP, the incumbent will contribute to the implementation of activities to support plant protection and sustainable crop production intensification (SCPI) in response to the achievement of FAO's Strategic objectives and the needs of the region as defined by the Regional priorities. In particular, the incumbent will:

- contribute to FAO's programme on Pesticide Risk Reduction and support capacity development in strengthening holistic
 pesticide management in the region in line with the International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management as well as other
 international norms and treaties such as Rotterdam Convention, etc;
- assist in the analysis and review of country profiles of plant protection and periodical monitoring key development through regional plant protection portal, as well as in communication with National Plant Protection Organizations (NPPOs) on emerging issue of pest, pesticides and risk of introduction and spread of regulated pest;
- contribute in providing technical input in the development of strategies, plans and programmes to support the promotion of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and invasive species management in the context of achieving Sustainable Crop Production Intensification (SCPI) in line with the "Save and Grow";
- assist in the provision of technical input for capacity development of the NPPOs of member countries, the Asia And Pacific Plant
 Protection Commission (APPPC) for improved implementation of the Asia and Pacific Plant Protection Agreement as well as
 International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC);
- participate in the development of the Regional Standards for Phytosanitary Measures (RSPMs), curricula of IPM training of trainers and case studies, as well as in the preparation of technical documents;
- · perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Advanced University Degree in Agriculture (preferably plant protection) or related field
- One year of relevant experience in Plant Protection or plant protection research with emphasis on regional or international cooperation and practice of IPM, pesticide management and plant health, preferably in developing countries
- · Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese or Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Extent of knowledge of plant protection (IPM, Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management, IPPC, APPPC, the international standards on phytosanitary measures)
- Relevance of experience in a National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) with emphasis on international cooperation and field programme of plant protection
- Ability to plan and organize own work, deliver results and meet deadlines
- · Ability to work effectively within a team, supporting others, and fostering a positive team environment
- · Commitment to continual improvement of knowledge, skills and abilities
- Excellent communication skills both orally and in writing

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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To apply: visit the iRecruitment website at

http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/

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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