



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No. 1900489

Deadline for Applications: 12 April 2019

Title	Strategic Programme Leader, Sustainable Agriculture Programme (SP2)
Grade	D-2
Number	0114006
Duty Station Location	Rome, Italy

Summary of Duties and Functions

The Strategic Programme Leader (SPL) of the Sustainable Agriculture Programme, under the policy guidance and general oversight of the Deputy Director-General (Programmes), is responsible for the planning, management and monitoring of FAO's programme of work for sustainable agriculture.

The SPL ensures provision of technical and policy advice to member countries on innovative practices and technologies that sustainably increase agriculture productivity in all sectors (crop, livestock, fisheries, aquaculture and forestry), promote adaptation and resilience to climate change and prevent natural resources degradation; formulation of policies, strategies and investments that promote holistic and cross-sectoral approaches for sustainable agriculture; implementation of policies and programmes that support the international governance mechanisms such as the 2030 Agenda and Paris Agreement and ways to integrate food and agriculture production to food systems and healthy diets. The SPL specifically will:

- Provide leadership and vision for the Organization's Sustainable Agriculture Strategic Programme, taking into consideration the five principles of sustainable food and agriculture and support to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals concerned with sustainable agriculture;
- Exercise overall management responsibility for the Programme's work plan through management and delivery teams, organize oversight and technical backstopping, exercise monitoring and reporting on the strategy implementation as well as the cost-effective use of financial and human resources allocated to the different delivery systems as per Results Based Management principles;
- Lead and/or support inter-agency and inter-institutional collaboration on analysis and development and provide appropriate guidance, including collaboration with relevant private sector and civil society organizations;
- Provide guidance and support to FAO Members, UN and specialized agencies, and other global, regional and national bodies on liaison, coordination and exchange of information.

General Requirements

- Advanced university degree, preferably at the PhD level, in Agronomy and related Sciences including crops, livestock, fisheries and forestry, Social Sciences, Economics, Agricultural Economics or closely related fields;
- Demonstrated professional competency and mastery of subject matters dealt with by the Programme, with a focus in cross-cutting work linking agriculture production (all sectors) to natural resources management and restoration and climate change issues;
- Proven intellectual, managerial and technical leadership of a high order in the relevant subject areas, with special attention to integrated and interdisciplinary approaches for sustainable agriculture production, including environmental, social and economic components;
- Experience with multilateral negotiations and advice to governments;
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and a limited knowledge of one of the other two, or Arabic, Chinese or Russian;

- Ability to lead and work effectively with a diverse team of people of different national and cultural backgrounds in an international setting.

Leadership Competencies

Results focus: Takes accountability for the delivery of agreed results in service of FAO's strategic framework - **Leading, engaging and empowering others:** Coordinates, directs, facilitates and recognizes team efforts; creates an enabling environment and assists others to realize and develop their potential - **Communication:** Encourages and contributes to clear and open communication - **Partnering and Advocating:** Promotes ideas and develops partnerships to advance the Organization's work - **Knowledge sharing and continuous improvement:** Continually seeks to improve the knowledge, skills and work processes of oneself and others - **Strategic thinking:** Makes informed and coherent decisions aligned with broader goals and strategies.

Please note that all candidates should adhere to FAO values of *Commitment to FAO, Respect for all and Integrity and Transparency*.

Remuneration

FAO adheres to the UN common system of salaries, allowances and benefits. General information regarding salaries and allowances can be found at the International Civil Service Commission Web site: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/salaries_allowances/salary.htm

How to Apply

To apply, visit the recruitment website at https://jobs.fao.org/careersection/fao_external/jobdetail.ftl?job=1900489 and complete the on-line application. Only applications received through the employment website will be considered.

Vacancies will be removed from the employment website at 23:59 Central European Time (CET) on the deadline for applications date. We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline date.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: Careers@fao.org