



POSITION TITLE:	Fisheries Officer (Science)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-3
		DUTY STATION:	Victoria, Seychelles
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	The Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC)	DURATION *:	Fixed Term: Two years
	Policy, Economics and Institutions, FIPI	POST CODE/N°:	unidentified
	Fisheries and Aquaculture Policy and Economic Division, FIP	CCOG CODE:	1H05
	Fisheries and Aquaculture Department, FI		

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 supervision of the Executive Secretary and the day-to-day supervision and technical guidance of the Deputy Secretary/Science Manager of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC), the incumbent will provide technical and administrative support to the IOTC Scientific Process. In particular, the incumbent will:

- participate in the coordination of the Commission's science activities;
- participate in the delivery to ensure the preparation, implementation and support of research programs and projects relevant to the information needs of the Commission;
- in consultation with the Deputy Secretary draft material/documents for the IOTC Scientific Committee and its subsidiary bodies including but not limited to project progress reports, species Executive Summaries and administrative papers;
- participate in the preparation and dissemination of scientific material to a range of audiences, including the general public via the IOTC website, the Commission, industry, NGOs, and research groups;
- participate as appropriate in scientific and technical meetings, including the IOTC's Working Parties and science capacity building workshops;
- Identify species specialists to assist IOTC Working Party meetings and workshops;
- Undertake production of reviews of scientific issues, as requested by the IOTC Scientific Committee and/or Commission;
- participate in scientific capacity building of the developing Contracting Party and Cooperating Non-Contracting Party (CPCs) and enhance their effective participation in the work of the Scientific Committee and its subsidiary bodies;
- participate in the organization of the science related meetings;
- participate in identifying compliance issues within the science process and prepare corrective actions;
- coordinate the Secretariat's activities and database in support of the IOTC Regional Observer Scheme, prepare training material required for the implementation of the observer program including sampling and data entry manual/s, conduct training of observers and field samplers and prepare progress reports;
- perform any other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in fisheries, biological science or related field;
- Five years of relevant experience in the field of fisheries science or related fields, including field experience;
- 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:

- Relevance of experience in the field of fisheries science, science-related programmes and research activities. Tuna and billfish fisheries research is desirable
- Depth of knowledge of fisheries for tuna and tuna-like species and how scientific advice is used to inform management decisions
- Demonstrated ability to exercise a high degree of initiative in field situations
- Demonstrated ability to prepare progress and final reports of a technical nature
- Extent of experience in data handling and database management
- Excellent communication skills both orally and in writing in English and a working knowledge of French is desirable
- Ability to coordinate efforts of others to achieve the desired results
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively with a team of people from different social and cultural backgrounds and education levels

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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Send your application to:

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