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<b>POSITION TITLE:</b>	<b>Agribusiness Officer (Finance)</b>	<b>GRADE LEVEL:</b>	<b>P-3</b>
		<b>DUTY STATION:</b>	<b>Rome, Italy</b>
<b>ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:</b>	<b>Rural Infrastructure and Agro-Industries Division (AGS)</b>	<b>DURATION *:</b>	<b>Fixed Term: 2 years</b>
	Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department	<b>POST CODE/N°:</b>	<b>0066656</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**

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#### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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Under the overall supervision of the Director, AGS, and the direct supervision of a Senior Officer, will participate in the development and implementation of programme and policy activities relating to agribusiness finance. In particular, the incumbent will:

- analyze policy and technical issues relating to agribusiness finance, including legal and regulatory frameworks, financial institutions and services, risk mitigation, and investment enablers and incentives; assist FAO Members through reviews and provision of technical advice;
- participate in developing technical guidelines relating to financial strategies and products for specific industries and country circumstances, financial planning models and criteria, investment analysis and evaluation, and public-private programs for investment and risk management;
- appraise capacity building needs relating to agribusiness financial analysis, planning and control, agribusiness financial services, capital investment analysis, value chain financing and financing for small and medium agro-enterprises; assist in developing training material and participate in the conduct of training courses;
- participate in the design and implementation of programmes and projects relating to agribusiness finance, and the agribusiness finance aspects of agricultural and rural development programmes and projects; as requested, provide technical backstopping to field projects;
- contribute to the collection and dissemination of data and information related to agribusiness finance trends, policies, institutions, and services, including lessons and good practices for promoting and supporting agribusiness finance policies, services and products; support global learning, exchange of information and data through the Internet and other mechanisms;
- prepare information materials and technical papers for discussion and/or publication; prepare and participate in technical meetings;
- develop and maintain contacts with other organizations, associations and private sector firms working on agribusiness finance; participate actively in relevant FAO inter-disciplinary working groups, action planning and field activities;
- perform other related duties, as required.

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

*Candidates should meet the following:*

- Advanced university degree in agribusiness or agricultural economics or similar with concentration in agribusiness finance or agricultural finance
- Five years of progressively responsible professional experience in the area of agribusiness finance or in agricultural or rural development with responsibilities and activities relating to agribusiness finance
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish with a limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese or Russian

#### SELECTION CRITERIA

*Candidates will be assessed against the following:*

- Level and relevance of academic qualifications relating to agribusiness finance
- Relevance and diversity of agribusiness and agricultural finance experience, including extent of experience in developing regions
- Depth of knowledge of and capacity to analyse trends, constraints, policies, institutions and services relating to agribusiness finance in developing regions
- Extent and relevance of experience in producing relevant technical papers and training materials
- Extent and relevance of experience of project formulation and technical backstopping
- Quality of communication skills on technical issues

*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

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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