

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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POSITION TITLE: Fishery Liaison Officer GRADE LEVEL: P-4

DUTY STATION: Rome

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: Policy, Economics and Institutions, FIPI DURATION *: Fixed term: 3 years

Fisheries and Aquaculture Policy and Economics Post Code/N°: C/0117536

Division, FIP

Fisheries and Aquaculture Department, FI CCOG Cope: 1H05

Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall supervision of the Director, FIP and the technical guidance of the Senior Fisheries and Aquaculture Liaison Officer, the incumbent will form part of a team promoting international fisheries cooperation by analyzing, assessing and reporting on global fisheries issues, facilitating the implementation of international instruments, the recommendations of the Committee on Fisheries (COFI) and decisions of FAO governing bodies and regional fishery bodies (RFBs), and other measures to enhance global fisheries governance. In particular, will:

- Monitor and assess the implementation of the 1995 FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and related instruments including the preparation of reports on their implementation and the challenges being encountered;
- · Evaluate the need for and ensure that dissemination of the Code of Conduct is targeted carefully to areas and stakeholders of highest need;
- Prepare inputs to, and coordinate the finalization of, documentation for the dissemination of the Code and related instruments as a means of deepening and broadening their implementation;
- Assess and analyze key issues relating to global fisheries governance including matters concerning the negotiation and implementation of international fisheries
 instruments, the work of RFBs and other relevant organizations, and prepare high-quality reports for dissemination;
- Contribute to the development and implement of international fisheries instruments and initiatives in cooperation with international organizations both governmental
 and non governmental as well as other relevant stakeholders:
- Assess and provide advice on the development of policy and institutional frameworks to reinforce the implementation of international standards, international fisheries instruments and RFB decisions;
- Prepare, in collaboration with RFBs, documents related to fisheries governance issues;
- · Analyse, report on and disseminate information on the results of assessments of RFB performance and the challenges being faced by these bodies;
- · Plan, organize and participate in international fisheries meetings;
- Contribute to the planning, document preparation and implementation of capacity-development activities relating to the implementation of the Code, international
 fisheries instruments, RFB decisions and other initiatives;
- Brief FAO Representatives and decentralized staff on important national, regional and international developments and trends in fisheries;
- Secure, in liaison with the international donor community, extra-budgetary resources to support meetings and capacity-development activities;
- · Provide guidance to consultants and monitor the production and dissemination of Fishery Country Profiles;
- · Perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Marine Affairs, International Economics or Political Studies
- Seven years of relevant experience related to international fisheries governance and fisheries instruments, and the work of regional fishery bodies (RFBs) which
 included at least four years working experience with fisheries issues in developing countries
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and a limited knowledge of one of the other two, or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Relevance of experience related to international fisheries governance, fisheries instruments and the work of regional fishery bodies (RFBs) in developing countries
- Depth of knowledge and understanding of issues and trends in global fisheries governance, the scope, extent and effect of international fisheries instruments, and the role, functions and challenges of RFBs
- Demonstrated ability to review and analyze international fisheries issues and trends
- Proven capacity to participate in, and manage, international fisheries meetings
- Demonstrated ability to evaluate capacity-development needs in developing countries and to plan, implement and manage capacity-development activities to meet identified needs
- Quality of both oral and written communication 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

REMUNERATION

A competitive compensation and benefits package is offered. For information on UN salaries, allowances and benefits, click on the following link: http://icsc.un.org/

TO APPLY: Carefully read and follow the Guidelines to applicants

Send your application to: V.A 2488-FIP

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