



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

## PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N°: 2536-TCI

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Deadline For Application: 1 June 2011

POSITION TITLE:	<b>Land and Water Development Engineer</b>	GRADE LEVEL:	<b>P-4</b>
		DUTY STATION:	<b>Rome</b>
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	<b>Near East, North Africa, Europe, Central and South Asia Service, TCIN</b>	DURATION *:	<b>Fixed Term: 3 years</b>
	Investment Centre Division, TCI	POST CODE/N°:	<b>unidentified</b>
	Technical Cooperation Department	CCOG CODE:	<b>1B06i</b>

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

### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Investment Centre Division (TCI) promotes investment in agriculture and rural development in developing countries and countries in transition, assisting governments, international financing institutions and other development partners to achieve growth, poverty alleviation and food security.

Under the overall guidance of the Director, TCI, and the general supervision of the Chief, TCIN, will provide technical advice and, as a member or leader of multidisciplinary teams, will be responsible for water management, irrigation development, drainage, flood control, water user associations and rural infrastructure. In particular, the incumbent will:

- facilitate identification and preparation of investment projects and programmes and provide implementation support;
- advise government and development partners on national water management and irrigation programmes;
- interact with senior government officials, development partners, producers organizations and beneficiaries to facilitate exchange of critical information and validate the findings and recommendations regarding the investment proposals;
- review and enhance irrigation and rural infrastructure development reports and related investment proposals;
- contribute to the design and implementation of FAO capacity building activities on irrigation and rural infrastructure;
- support the Service Chief on tasks' management, field mission organization and terms of reference, selection of consultants and supervision of their work, and ensuring the quality of the Service outputs;
- perform other related duties as required.

### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

*Candidates should meet the following:*

- Advanced university degree in irrigation engineering, water resources engineering, or related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in the fields of irrigation and water development, in water resources planning and evaluation, and in the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance of irrigation and water development projects, including substantial work in Europe, Near East, Northern Africa, Central and South Asia, or other developing and/or transition countries
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of French

### SELECTION CRITERIA

*Candidates will be assessed against the following:*

- Extent and relevance of experience in the formulation of investment projects for irrigation and drainage engineering works for external financing, including through multidisciplinary teams, and experience in dealing with senior staff of governments and international financing institutions
- Extent and relevance of experience in project management and project implementation activities proving technical, economic, financial and managerial competence
- Extent and relevance of experience in water resources planning and management and in sector work
- Relevance of experience in Europe, Near East, Northern Africa, Central and South Asia
- Extent and relevance of experience in institutional development, including participatory irrigation management
- Extent and relevance of experience in engineering design in a consulting and/or construction enterprise, in particular on dams diversion weirs, irrigation schemes and other hydraulic structures
- Excellent communication skills, both orally and in writing
- Working knowledge of Russian, Arabic or other languages of the Europe, Near East, Northern Africa, Central and South Asia regions are an asset

**N.B. Willingness to travel frequently to developing countries and/or countries in transition.**

*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 2536-TCI

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