

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Position Title: Forestry Officer (Forest Harvesting) GRADE LEVEL: P-4

DUTY STATION: Rome

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: Forest Products and Industries Team DURATION *: Fixed term: 3 years

Forest Economics, Policy and Products Division. Post Code/N°: C/0123005

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Forestry Department, FO CCOG Code: 1B06b

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

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the general supervision of the Director, FOE, and the technical guidance of the Team Leader, the incumbent will act as focal point for forest harvesting issues and coordinate these activities within the Division. In particular, the incumbent will:

- maintain, coordinate and develop the programme on forest harvesting policies, economics, technologies and practices with the
 objective of enhancing the continuous development of forest harvesting of wood and non-wood forest products update and
 improve forest harvesting data and statistics;
- analyse the current situation, trends and perspective developments of forest harvesting and engineering and their implications
 on sustainable forest management, climate change and environment, food security, jobs and livelihood, rural and industrial
 economic development;
- participate in the development and application of efficient forest harvesting practices and strategies, especially in developing countries, countries with emerging economies and countries in transition;
- participate in the development and analysis of international statistics on forest harvesting in order to contribute to transparency in international negotiations and policies on forest harvesting issues;
- undertake missions to assist member governments and multi-national institutions and donors on forest harvesting issues;
- liaise with the colleagues within the Organization and in international organizations on forest harvesting related matters with the aim of promoting responsible forest harvesting practices;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Forestry, Forest Economics, Forest Engineering or other field related to forest harvesting and management
- Seven years of relevant experience in forest management, industry, research and development involving forest harvesting. (A PhD may substitute for two years of required experience)
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two languages or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Relevance of experience in forest management, industry, research and development involving forest harvesting
- Depth of knowledge of industrial development programmes in developing countries
- Extent of working experience with forest harvesting issues, practices, economics and policies
- Relevance of working experience in different countries and regions, especially in developing countries, countries with emerging economies and countries in transition
- Extent of experience in the organization of international meetings, seminars and training courses
- Demonstrated analytical, coordination, negotiating and advisory skills
- 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 **2554-FOE**

Director, FOE

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