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Deadline For Application: 7 August 2013

POSITION TITLE:	Agriculture Officer	GRADE LEVEL:	P-2
		DUTY STATION:	Rome
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC)	DURATION *:	2 years
	AG/AGP/AGPMI	POST CODE/N°:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1H

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

Organizational Setting

The post is located in the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) Secretariat, AGPM in the Plant Production and Protection Division (AGP).

Main Purpose/contacts

The Agriculture Officer, IPPC Secretariat will provide technical input and contribute to the delivery of a programme in support of IPPC standard setting programme. The incumbent will collaborate with staff at various levels across the Organisation including FAO's Decentralised Offices, FAO Representations and with experts in national governments and experts in national, regional and international organizations

Supervision Received/Exercised

The Agriculture Officer will work under the general direction of the Secretary to the IPPC and the direct supervision of the IPPC Standards Officer and provide guidance and when necessary supervision to consultants and General Service staff assigned to the team.

Main Duties and Responsibilities

As a member of the IPPC standard setting Team the incumbent will, in the context of the IPPC Strategic Framework and the IPPC standard setting programme, provide technical support to the Technical Panel on Phytosanitary Treatments (TPPT), the Standards Committee and the IPPC Secretariat. In support of these objectives, the incumbent will:

- analyze technical issues related to phytosanitary treatments in support of the TPPT development;
- review strategies used to address challenges relating to phytosanitary treatments and identify issues of effectiveness;
- monitor data from reporting systems on key factors impacting phytosanitary treatments and inform/alert programme managers on emerging trends and activities;
- compile information on programme/project activities to inform IPPC members of approaches and trends which affect phytosanitary treatments;
- promote issue awareness and the development of networks through collaboration with technical specialists within the Organization;
- contribute to the preparation of case studies, guidelines, reports, publications and presentations in support of programme delivery.
- contribute to the development of information tools and databases in support of the work of setting standards, in particular related to phytosanitary treatments
- perform other related duties as required

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in the sciences related to the treatment of plant pests and diseases
- Three years of relevant experience in plant science with emphasis on phytosanitary treatments, preferably with experience at various levels: national, regional and international
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent of knowledge and relevant experience in phytosanitary treatments
- Extent of experience in planning, organization and preparation of intergovernmental meetings and workshops, including training workshops
- Demonstrated ability to communicate clearly and concisely both orally and in writing
- Demonstrated ability in the identification, compilation and analysis of relevant technical information from a range of sources and in the preparation of summary reports and recommendations
- Extent and relevance of experience in the formulation, development and implementation of technical projects
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively in a multidisciplinary team and in a multicultural environment

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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