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Deadline For Application: **5 December 2013**

POSITION TITLE:	Programme Officer (IPPC National Reporting Obligations Support)	GRADE LEVEL:	P2
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	International Plant Protection Convention, AGPMI Plant Production and Protection Division, AGP Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department	DUTY STATION:	Rome
		DURATION *:	12 months
		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

The International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) is an international treaty whose mission is to secure common and effective actions to prevent the spread and introduction of pests of plants and plant products that may affect the world's plant resources both cultivated and wild.

As a member of the AGPMI Team, in the context of the IPPC work programme, the incumbent will provide technical support to IPPC contracting parties on meeting national reporting obligations. In support of these objectives, the incumbent will:

- analyze technical issues related to the IPPC in support of contracting parties meeting their national reporting obligations;
- review strategies used to address challenges to contracting parties meeting their national reporting obligations and identify issues of effectiveness;
- monitor data from reporting systems on key factors impacting contracting parties meeting their national reporting obligations and inform/alert programme managers on emerging trends and activities;
- compile information on the IPPC national reporting obligations programme activities to inform the Secretariat and contracting parties of approaches and trends which affect contracting parties meeting their obligations;
- promote issue awareness and the development of networks through collaboration with technical specialists within the Organization, IPPC contracting parties and regional plant protections organizations;
- contribute to the preparation of case studies, guidelines, reports, publications and presentations in support of the IPPC national reporting obligations programme delivery
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Agriculture (preferably plant protection) or related field
- Three years of relevant experience related to a National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) with emphasis on international cooperation and phytosanitary measures, preferably at the international level OR in developing countries
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one the other FAO official languages (French, Spanish, Arabic, Russian or Chinese)

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent of knowledge of the IPPC, the international standards on phytosanitary measures (ISPMs) and associated reporting obligations
- Relevance of experience in a National Plant Protection Organization (NPPO) with emphasis on international cooperation and phytosanitary measures, preferably at the international level or in developing countries
- Demonstrated ability to communicate clearly and concisely in English
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written
- Ability to work in a team environment

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/>

For guidelines to applicants, please visit the Application Toolkit at: <http://www.fao.org/employment/current-vacancies/project/en/>

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