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POSITION TITLE:	Agricultural Officer (Pest and Pesticide Management)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Pesticide Risk Reduction Team (AGPMC) Plant Production and Protection Division (AGP)	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
		DURATION :	12 months (renewable)
		POST NUMBER:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1H01

Qualified female applicants and qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged to apply.

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.

Organizational Setting

The Plant Production and Protection Division (AGP) works to support more productive and sustainable agriculture (Strategic Objective 2). This requires the integration of appropriate crop protection policies and practices in order to increase production in a sustainable manner and eradicate hunger while preserving natural resources and the environment.

The post is located in the Pest and Pesticide Management Team (AGPMC) one of six teams in the Division. AGPMC provides advice, technical support and guidance to countries aimed at improving crop protection practices, including pesticide life-cycle management in line with the International Code of Conduct for Pesticide Management (the Code).

The post will act as project coordinator for the implementation of the EC-FAO programme on Capacity-Building Related to Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) in ACP Countries – Phase 2 (“ACP/MEAs 2”). The project operates in three regions and focuses on building the capacity of regional and national institutions to better implement relevant MEAs.

Reporting Lines

The Agricultural Officer (Pest and Pesticide Management) reports to the Team Leader, AGPMC

Technical Focus

Capacity development on the implementation of target Multilateral Environmental Agreement, sustainable intensification of agriculture, pesticide risk reduction, integrated pest management and conservation of ecosystem services relevant to agriculture.

Key Results

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, development and implementation of project/s

Key Functions

- Provides overall coordination: coordinates the development of project work plans and implementation plan, monitors project progress and propose acceptable alternatives when difficulties or delays arise,
- Leads implementation: ensure the timely provision of FAO inputs (consultants, equipment, contracts, supplies etc.), prepares and submits budget revisions and calls for funds,
- Provides technical backstopping to the regional organisations on the implementation of target MEAs on chemicals and biodiversity,
- Liaises with stakeholders, partners and donor representatives, in particular with the European Union, the ACP Secretariat, UNEP Programme Coordination Unit, The European Environmental Bureau and the regional organisations in the three regions;
- Integrates project activities with other FAO relevant initiatives contributing to Strategic Objective 2 in the three regions;
- Monitors and reports project progress and shares lessons learnt including recommendations for the future;
- Oversees the development of project proposals building on activities initiated within the current project and with an cross-sectorial approach to sustainable pest and pesticide management;
- Coordinates communication and visibility for the project and related activities of the pesticide risk reduction field programme to all relevant audiences.
- Perform other related duties as required

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced University degree in Agriculture, Environmental Science, or related fields
- Seven years of relevant experience in agriculture, sustainable pest and pesticide management,
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

Competencies

- Results Focus
- Teamwork

- Communication
- Building Effective Relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement

Technical/Functional Skills

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable.
- Extent of experience with implementation of European Union-Africa Caribbean and the Pacific (ACP) programmes
- Knowledge of the Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)
- Extent of knowledge of FAO technical guidelines related to management of pesticides and Integrated Pest Management
- Demonstrated experience in project coordination, development and implementation
- Excellent skills in report writing

Please note that all candidates should adhere to *FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency*.

All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills

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HOW TO APPLY

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

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