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POSITION TITLE:	Technical Officer (Obsolete Pesticide Risk reduction)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-3
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Plant Production and Protection Division, AGP Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, AG	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
		DURATION*:	Fixed-term: 18 months
		POST NUMBER:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1H01

* The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

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 post is located in the Plant Production and Protection Division (AGP). The Division promotes the sustainable intensification of crop production. This requires the integration and harmonization of all appropriate crop production policies and practices in order to increase production in a sustainable manner in order to eradicate hunger while preserving the natural resources and environment for future use.

The post is based in the Pest and Pesticide Management team (AGPMC), one of 6 teams in AGP. The Team provides advice and guidance in areas of pest management in the context of sustainable crop production intensification, and pesticide management in the context of the implementation of the International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management.

Reporting Lines

The Technical Officer (Obsolete Pesticide Risk Reduction) reports to the Team Leader AGPMC.

Technical Focus

Capacity development on the implementation of target Multilateral Environmental Agreements, implementation of the International Code of conduct on pesticide management, reduction of risk from obsolete pesticides and sites contaminated with pesticides, and the sustainable management of wastes arising from the use of pesticides and other agricultural inputs.

Key Results

Research, technical analysis, and project related services to support the delivery of programme projects, products, and services.

Key Functions

- Oversee project/programme implementation in accordance with the project document, approved work plans and budgets and the policies and procedures of FAO;
- Monitor progress against agreed outcomes and outputs through bi-literal and multi-stakeholder review and planning meetings, and field visits;
- Produces a variety of technical information, data, statistics and reports as well as input for technical documents and web pages;
- Participates on multi-disciplinary teams, and/or leads working groups/teams, collaborates with other departments and agencies on work groups and committees and promotes best practices;
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality / effectiveness of capacity development activities within member countries such as policy support, organizational development and individual learning events including preparation of related information, learning materials, on-line tools;
- Promotes knowledge sharing and best practices at international meetings and conferences and influences partners in stakeholder consultations;
- Supports resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

Specific Functions

- Collaborates in the further development and building national capacity in the use of FAO's tools "Rapid Environmental Assessment of Contaminated Sites" and the "Pesticide Stock Management System" and the Environmental Management Tool Kit series;
- Develops specifications for and supervises the implementation of contracts for obsolete pesticide safeguarding and disposal and risk reduction of contaminated sites;
- Support the development and execution of projects for enhancing capacity for the implementation of the International Code of Conduct on Pesticide Management, Basel and Stockholm conventions in accordance with FAO Project Cycle.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in Environmental Science, Chemistry or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in: Environmental Risk Assessment, Hazardous waste management, and remediation of contaminated sites
- 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
- Work experience in Eastern Europe Caucasus, Central Asia, and Africa is an asset
- Extent of knowledge of FAO technical guidelines related to management of obsolete pesticides, relevant EC Directives, technical requirements of the Basel and Stockholm Conventions, and the Globally Harmonized system for the classification, labelling and packaging of hazardous materials
- Extent of experience in development of operational systems, guidelines and training materials specifically related to obsolete pesticides, contaminated containers and contaminated sites
- Extent and relevance of experience of implementing projects on reduction in risk of obsolete pesticide and contaminated sites and the environmentally sound management of wastes arising from use of pesticides and other agricultural inputs

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

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills.

REMUNERATION

A competitive compensation and benefits package is offered. For information on UN salaries, allowances and benefits, click on the following link: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/salaries_allowances/salary.htm

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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