

Title	Director, Rural Infrastructure and Agro-industries Division (AGS)
Grade	D-2
Number	0063878
Duty Station Location	Rome, Italy
Summary of Duties and Functions	Under the policy guidance and the general supervision of the Assistant Director-General, Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, the Director of the Rural Infrastructure and Agro-industries Division oversees and facilitates the work for improving the competitiveness and developmental impacts of agri-business and agro-industries; provides technical and policy advice to members on agri-business, agro-industries, rural infrastructure and services, market linkages and agricultural value chains; and helps to ensure that agri-business and agro-industries, especially the small and medium scale ones, contribute to the attainment of food security as well as agricultural and overall economic development of member countries. The Director will: • Provide leadership and vision for the Organization's Programme on agribusiness development, agricultural and agribusiness finance, agro-industries development, agro-processing technology, post-harvest handling, mechanization, marketing and market linkages, value chains and enterprise development, and rural infrastructure; • Exercise overall management responsibility for the Division's biennial programme of work, facilitate quality control, progress monitoring and reporting on the strategy implementation of FAO's agro-industries and rural infrastructure sector as well as the cost-effective use of financial and human resources as per Results Based Management principles; • Promote FAO efforts for resource mobilization from donors in support of the Division's priority activities at global, regional and national levels; • Lead and/or support inter-agency and inter-institutional collaboration on analysis and development and provide appropriate guidance, including collaboration with relevant private sector and civil society organizations; • Provide guidance and support to FAO Members, UN and specialized agencies, and other global, regional and national bodies on liaison, coordination and exchange of information; • Represent the Organization at high-level meetings as well as at technical and inter-agency meetings relevant to the Division's field of competence and other events dealing with rural infrastructure and agro-industries; • Ensure full synergy between AGS work at Headquarters and in the decentralised offices and promote collaboration at all levels in the development and implementation of all work related to rural infrastructure and agro-industries; • Contribute to the management of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department and to cross-sectoral collaboration and integration as a member of FAO management and the Departmental Management Team. Additional information on the Programme can be found at the AGS Division's Web site: http://intranet.fao.org/offsiteframe.jsp?uu=http://www.fao.org/ag/ags/index.html.

General Requirements	• Advanced university degree in agri-business, agricultural engineering or food technology/engineering, agricultural economics. • Demonstrated professional competency and mastery of subject matters dealt with by the division. • Proven intellectual, managerial and technical leadership of a high order in the relevant subject areas. • Experience with multilateral negotiations and advice to governments. • Fluency in English, French or Spanish and a limited knowledge of one of the other two, or Arabic, Chinese or Russian, the languages of the Organization. • Ability to lead and work effectively with a diverse team of people of different national and cultural backgrounds in an international setting.
Managerial Competencies	Strategic vision: Capacity to develop a vision, mission and strategies and to focus on the needs of Member Countries and to adjust strategies to take account of changing circumstances. Managing people: Fosters team spirit through building trust and commitment to common objectives and recognizing team successes. Result Orientation: Demonstrates an ability to manage programmes and projects efficiently under shifting priorities, in order to achieve targets. Partnering: Negotiates effectively with partners to enable successful outcomes for all stakeholders and actively supports inter-disciplinarity across FAO. Strong Communication Skills: Demonstrates a high level of communication skills in promoting the Organization's messages.
Remuneration	FAO adheres to the UN common system of salaries, allowances and benefits. General information regarding salaries and allowances can be found at the International Civil Service Commission Web site
How to apply	Applications, including a full curriculum vitae and Personal History Form (available in MS Word (A4 and letter formats), should be submitted by 22 April 2011 to the Director, Human Resources Management Division (CSH), FAO, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153, Rome, Italy or sent by e-mail to: senior-vacancies@fao.org or faxed to Italy 06-5705 5131