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Deadline For Application: 11 November 2014

POSITION TITLE:	Programme Officer (Food Security and Nutrition focus)	GRADE LEVEL:	P4
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Agricultural Development Economics Division (ESA) Economic and Social Development Department (ES)	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
		DURATION *:	Fixed term: one year (with possibility of extension)
		POST CODE/N°:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1.E.02

**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

The EU/FAO Global Governance for Hunger Reduction Programme is a key mechanism for promoting food and nutrition security and one of the primary methods of EU engagement with FAO's work on hunger reduction at global level. Nutrition has been identified as a strong priority of the Programme, as well as the support to the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP). In this context, under the overall guidance of the ESA Director the direct supervision of the EU/FAO Programme Manager, and in close collaboration with the European Union Delegation, Government counterparts, relevant FAO HQ divisions, FAO Regional/Sub-regional offices (in particular FAO Regional Office for Africa) and other stakeholders at country and/or regional level (NEPAD, SUN/REACH, UNICEF, IFAD, WFP, WHO, etc.), the Programme Officer will coordinate the effective implementation of the EU/FAO Programme, strengthen partnerships and develop capacities in the food security and nutrition domain, with a focus on Africa. In particular the Programme Officer will:

- Lead the preparation/implementation of the EU/FAO Programme work plans, monitor the delivery of results, coordinate the preparation of the annual progress reports and manage the Monitoring and Evaluation activities ensuring consistency and alignment with FAO's Plan of Working Budget and Strategic Objectives Framework;
- Ensure strategic communication and enhance technical collaboration on priority themes with the EU, IFAD and WFP;
- Provide strategic planning, organization and monitoring and evaluation support for the implementation of FAO's Strategic Objective related to the eradication of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition ;
- Provide coordination and technical support to NEPAD in the domain of Food Security and Nutrition, and in particular in support of the CAADP Nutrition Initiative;
- Provide technical backstopping and policy assistance, and ensure the quality and effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities related to linking agriculture and nutrition in selected region/countries;
- Coordinate the output on improving and harmonizing mapping, monitoring and analysis of food and agriculture policies and actions in support of food security and nutrition at global level and in selected countries
- Promote international cooperation and advocate best practices and policy dialogue, while providing technical expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings, as requested and in priority in the nutrition domain;
- Recruit, provide guidance and supervise project staff and consultants for the delivery of key outputs of the Programme
- Participate in resource mobilization activities in accordance with Corporate strategy and Departmental plans;
- Performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in economics, business administration or public administration, management, development studies, social science or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in one or more of the following : project/ programme management and coordination, international and/or inter-governmental relations, food security and nutrition policy and programmes development, advice and implementation
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of French or Spanish

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of experience in programme management activities, policy analysis and advice in the area of food and nutrition security – and in particular nutrition-sensitive agriculture
- Demonstrated ability to encourage and contribute to clear and open communication, as well as ability to prepare technical reports clearly and concisely
- Demonstrated ability to build and maintain relationships outside own immediate team to achieve common goals
- Ability to manage time and human and financial resources efficiently, monitoring progress and making adjustments as necessary to deliver work to set standards and deadlines
- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable

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/>

TO APPLY:

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

Send your application to:

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