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Deadline For Application: 31 July 2012

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POSITION TITLE:	<b>Project Officer</b>	GRADE LEVEL:	<b>P2</b>
		DUTY STATION:	<b>Rome, Italy</b>
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	<b>Statistics Division, ESS</b>	DURATION *:	<b>12 months (with the possibility of extension)</b>
	Economic and Social Development Department, ES	POST CODE/N°:	<b>unidentified</b>
		CCOG CODE:	<b>1M02</b>

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**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**

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#### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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Under the overall guidance of the Director ESS and the direct supervision of the Project Lead Technical Officer, and as a member of one or more task teams, the incumbent will support the development and implementation of the CountrySTAT system in Francophone countries and an associated RegionSTAT. In particular, the incumbent will:

- provide technical support to countries in the establishment of CountrySTAT, i.e. preparation of work plans, implementation and monitoring of the CountrySTAT system, including work of the technical working group for the collection, harmonization and uploading of data to the system, the completion and validation of the panorama reports of each country;
- monitor the delivery of project activities as per the work plan, update the work plan as and when appropriate, and prepare ad-hoc reports on project activity progress;
- provide support in assessing the accuracy and updating of statistical data at national and sub-national levels;
- coordinate relevant national meetings, conferences, presentations, retreats, seminars, staff development, training events and workshops;
- review and monitor administrative actions in project countries before approval;
- undertake backstopping missions in the countries and follow up on the implementation of CountrySTAT ;
- perform other related duties as required.

\*\* APPOINTMENT/PROMOTION TO THIS POST IS FOR THE DURATION OF ASSIGNMENT ONLY

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

*Candidates should meet the following:*

- Advanced university degree in Statistics, Economics, Agricultural Economics, or related fields
- Three years of experience in the production and validation of statistical data at national or sub-national levels
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the other official languages of FAO: French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese, Russian

#### SELECTION CRITERIA

*Candidates will be assessed against the following:*

- Extent and relevance of experience in providing operational support to statistical or information systems projects, including the preparation of work plans and budgets
- Extent and relevance of experience in the production and validation of statistical data at national or sub-national levels;
- Excellent oral and written communication skills, ability to write clearly and concisely technical documents
- Demonstrated oral and written communication skills in French would be an asset
- Ability to work under tight deadlines and shifting priorities with results focus
- Good analytical skills and understanding of policy issues relevant to food security and agricultural development
- Proven capability of working effectively in a multidisciplinary and multicultural team
- Experience working in a national and/or international environment in Sub-Saharan African countries would be an asset

*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*

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#### 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/>

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**TO APPLY: Carefully read and follow the Guidelines to applicants**

Send your application to:

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