



POSITION TITLE:	Statistician (Research Officer)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-2
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Statistics Division, ESS	DUTY STATION:	ROME
	Economic and Social Development Department, ES	DURATION *:	Fixed term: 2 years (with possibility of extension)
		POST CODE/N°:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1M02

**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.**

The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the general supervision of the Coordinator of the Global Office for the implementation of the Global Strategy to improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics and the direct supervision of the Senior Statistician, and as member of one or more task teams, the incumbent will contribute to the methodological research activities in support to the implementation of the Global Strategy to improve agricultural and rural statistics (Global Strategy). In particular, the incumbent will;

- support the methodological research activities aimed to developing new cost-effective methods to be adopted by Member Countries for improving agricultural and rural statistics in accordance with the Action Plan to implement the Global Strategy;
- collect information, identify relevant literature concerning the on-going or already completed research activities on the selected topics, identify and analyze the gaps and remaining methodological issues and prepare draft reports on main findings;
- contribute to the identification of countries and samples for the experiments, design of field tests and process and analysis of the results;
- prepare reports on the findings and possible solutions to issues, and support the preparation of material to be developed by technical assistance and training components of the Global strategy disseminate results and findings;
- contribute to the preparation of contracts with the partners (academic institutions, research centers, individual experts, etc.) and the organization of workshops, technical meetings, and other scientific forum;
- facilitate networking among the partners;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in Statistics or related field
- Three years of relevant experience in methodological research in statistics (a Ph.D. or equivalent degree will count for two years of professional experience)
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the other official languages of the organization

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of experience in methodological research in statistics, preferably agricultural statistics
- Ability to write clearly and concisely technical documents and methodological publications in English
- Relevance and quality of publications
- Ability to work well as part of a team

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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