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POSITION TITLE:	Chief Technical Adviser	GRADE LEVEL:	P4
		DUTY STATION:	Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	FAO Representation Kyrgyzstan	DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 2 years
		POST CODE/N°:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1.H

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.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall guidance of the FAO Representative in the Kyrgyz Republic and the technical supervision of the Lead Technical Officer in the FAO Sub-Regional Office for Central Asia in Ankara, and in close cooperation with the Mountain Partnership Secretariat, the CTA will be responsible for the technical backstopping of all ecological and climate change aspects of the project "Sustainable management of mountainous forest and land resources under climate change condition". In particular, the incumbent will:

- provide technical backstopping for all aspects of ecosystem-based approaches for climate change adaptation, organic farming, mountain and rangeland management and agro-forestry as well as environmental awareness, education and capacity development;
- provide support to the National Project Manager (NPM) in implementing adaptive management by working to facilitate effective monitoring of project activities and an ongoing, reflective evaluation of the project's progress;
- promote cross-project knowledge management and up-scaling of best practices in sustainable forest management/ sustainable land management and assist the NPM to establish cross-project linkages, where this project can learn and share lessons effectively from/with other initiatives in the region and worldwide, ;
- support and facilitate reflective practice on the part of project staff and Government partners by taking part in and contributing to workshops/round table discussions and conferences that tackle natural resource management and climate change adaptation issues;
- identify, analyze and communicate lessons learnt that may be useful in design and implementation of similar projects;
- assist NPM in compiling annual project progress reports and other monitoring and evaluation report requirements;
- establish a continuous and firm link between local communities and the project and provide advice on energy efficiency schemes for local communities;
- advice on the establishment of payment for environmental services (PES) and integrated forest management planning;
- facilitate linkages with other projects on sustainable rangeland management (SRM) in the region for the purpose of exchange of knowledge and experience, and applying the latest technologies in SRM including use and training on World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies (WOCAT) methodology and documentation
- facilitate exchange and information sharing with Mountain Partnership members in the Region also through the Central Asia Hub of the Mountain Partnership.
- support National Project Implementation Unit (NPIU) in implementing technical studies of soils and land properties, analysis of salinization and ameliorative actions, biofertilizers and biogas;
- prepare TORs for organizations and partners such as an NGO or a community based organization to which the NPIU will subcontract specific tasks in terms of participatory analysis and planning, participatory monitoring and evaluation and learning and knowledge sharing;
- perform other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University degree in Biology, Ecology or Environmental Sciences or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in natural resources management including participatory planning techniques, adaptive management, project monitoring and evaluation processes
- Working knowledge of English and Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of experience in natural resource management with focus on sustainable management of silvo-agro-pastoral ecosystems in mountainous terrain
- Familiarity with ecosystem-based adaptation to climate change and integrated land-use planning in Central Asia.
- Good knowledge of organic farming, rangeland management and agro-forestry techniques in dry areas, especially Central Asia
- Familiarity with the institutions related to forestry, agriculture, rangeland and livestock management as well as with the socio-economic and political context of Kyrgyzstan is considered a strong asset
- Familiarity with knowledge management systems on sustainable rangeland management
- Good knowledge in organizing public relations, environmental awareness, education and capacity building activities

- Strong interpersonal and communication, reporting and presentation skills
 - Knowledge of another FAO language will be considered an asset
 - Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable
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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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