



POSITION TITLE:	Project Coordinator (Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-5
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Marine and Inland Fisheries Service (FIRF)	DUTY STATION:	Rome
	Fisheries and Aquaculture Resource Use and Conservation Division	DURATION *:	12 months (extendable to 3 years)
	Fisheries and Aquaculture Department	POST CODE/N^o:	2000870
		CCOG CODE:	1.H.05

Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the general supervision of FIRF Coordinator, in close cooperation with the Research Coordinator of the Institute of Marine Research (IMR) responsible for the coordination of the marine research programme, and in collaboration with the Heads of the Fisheries and of other related Ministries in the participating countries, the Project Coordinator will provide leadership for the project planning, implementation, technical orientation and management, interacting with other relevant regional and national projects and other donors as required. In particular, the incumbent will:

- assume the responsibility for complete administration and implementation of the Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries (EAF)-Nansen project
- provide technical assistance and guide the implementation of the EAF activities in participating countries and in close cooperation with partner institutions, plan activities aimed at promoting and facilitating the application of EAF; develop tools and methodologies, where necessary, and test their application in selected partner countries and regions; assist and advise countries in collection and analysis of data and information relevant to the application of EAF in fisheries management, and organize workshops and meetings on data analysis, in close collaboration with local scientists, managers and relevant stakeholders;
- develop training material on EAF taking into consideration available tools and methods;
- develop and ensure delivery of training programmes to facilitate implementation of EAF in selected countries and regions;
- coordinate and execute project activities related to the implementation of EAF management, in close collaboration with focal points in participating countries, FAO HQs and regional/sub-regional offices;
- support the establishment of the Regional and National Task Groups (RTGs and NTGs) ensuring participation of all relevant stakeholders;
- provide leadership and coordination to project personnel and consultants and supervise and prepare related programme reporting requirements including the annual progress report, project draft terminal report, and technical reports;
- prepare annual project work plans ensuring adequate financial allocations to all project components, terms of reference of consultants, procurement actions and negotiate contractual agreements as required;
- plan, organise and act as Secretary to the project coordination meetings (Annual Forum, annual consultative meetings with donor and project partners); together with the IMR Project Coordinator, represent the project in coordination, management and review meetings, and in the Steering Committee meetings organized for the GEF-LME and related regional projects and in the Conference of Party (COP) of relevant Conventions;
- manage the coordination and exchange of information on the implementation of EAF and ensure widest contacts within and outside the Organization through appropriate channels of communication;
- promote the participation in and complementary funding to the project by other partners and donors; negotiate the involvement of other UN agencies in future project phases, in particular as regards the use of the research vessel as a platform for tracking climate-related change in the marine ecosystems
- develop and maintain appropriate liaison and synergies with the GEF-LME projects in the African region and other regions where project activities may take place, and with related existing and emerging Commissions;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in marine sciences, fisheries, economics, social sciences, natural resources, biology or

- equivalent discipline relevant to the application of an ecosystem approach in fisheries management
- Ten years of relevant experience in fisheries management with an ecosystem approach and in the application of scientific advice and information to marine fisheries management within a national and/or regional management framework, with demonstrated high-level experience shown in suitable scientific papers or reports.
- Working knowledge of English.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Demonstrated leadership, coordination, management, negotiation and advisory skills; proven ability to plan, organize work, and establish priorities, and a high sense of responsibility.
- Extent of experience in fisheries management in developing countries, particularly in Africa.
- Extent of experience in development of national and international fishery management plans.
- Demonstrated ability to develop and implement field projects and programmes, to organize and conduct technical meetings,
- Quality of both oral and written communication and presentation skills in English
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively with other UN agencies on biodiversity and climate-related issues
- Extent of experience in and knowledge of the African fisheries and region, including regional fisheries bodies.
- Knowledge of UN/FAO activities, structure and procedures.
- Working knowledge of French or Portuguese 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**

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