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Deadline For Application: 5 November 2014

POSITION TITLE:	Forestry Officer (Forest and Landscape Restoration (FLR) Mechanism)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Forest Assessment, Management and Conservation Division, FOM Forestry Department	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
		DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 1 year
		POST CODE/N°:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1.H.06

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 overall guidance of the Director, FOM, the supervision of the Senior Forestry Officer (Team Leader), Forest Resources Management, and in close collaboration with staff in FOM and other FAO Departments and Offices, the incumbent will support the operational aspects of the Forest and Landscape Restoration (FLR) Mechanism at both the national level and globally. In particular, he/she will:

At the national level:

- Facilitate multi stakeholder processes in selected countries by mobilizing key actors from government, civil society, private sector and the international community in order to define needs and opportunities for FLR and to prepare National FLR Action Plans;
- Coordinate efforts to develop, compile and disseminate tools and best practices related to FLR taking into account all existing efforts on land use planning, management of genetic resources, preservation of biodiversity, fire management, water and soil conservation and landscapes values;
- Oversee the preparation of pilot and demonstration projects as well as new large scale projects and programmes in selected countries with key national, bilateral and multilateral donors and the private sector (with an adequate quality control of FLR efforts to ensure compliance with accepted guidelines, norms and standards);
- Mobilize resources for bilateral and multilateral donor support and private sector investment in restoration activities at country level.

At the global level:

- Develop guidelines and standards for the establishment of baselines and the monitoring, reporting and verification of successful restoration efforts in collaboration with the Global Partnership on Forest and Landscape Restoration (GPFLR) and all interested countries;
- Provide a financial intelligence support to all interested countries on possible sources of funding for Forest and Landscape Restoration (FLR) and to donors and key international financial institutions (including GEF) on the needs and opportunities for funding FLR;
- Lead contributions to a more effective embedding and reporting on FLR actions both in global and regional commitments and processes, especially those related to UNCCD, GPFLR (Bonn Challenge), CBD (Aichi Targets 5, 11 and 15), UNFCCC, REDD+, the Great Green Wall for the Sahara and the Sahel Initiative, the Asian Forest Cooperation Organization, COMIFAC, the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization and the Association of South East Asian Nations;
- Build and support operational and intersectoral partnerships on FLR;
- Perform other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in Forestry, Environmental / natural resources sciences or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in programme or project implementation and coordination at national and regional/global level, institutional capacity development, sustainable land / forest management , environmental and/or natural resources management
- Working knowledge of English and French

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent of experience in programme or project coordination and implementation associated with management and planning in forestry or natural resources participatory management
- Excellent communications skills and ability to draft technical and narrative reports in both French and English

- Demonstrated experience with the funding mechanisms and reporting requirements of the donor
- Proven ability to manage and lead multi-disciplinary teams, to prioritize tasks, and deal promptly with urgent issues
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain partnerships with different stakeholders at different levels
- Knowledge of and working experience with Governments, other UN agencies and IGOs, NGOs, civil society groups and the private sector would be an asset
- Depth of technical knowledge and experience in sustainable land /forest management and forest/landscape restoration

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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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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