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Deadline For Application: **25 July 2013**

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<b>POSITION TITLE:</b>	<b>Natural Resources Officer</b>	<b>GRADE LEVEL:</b>	<b>P-4</b>
		<b>DUTY STATION:</b>	<b>Nairobi, Kenya</b> <i>(with relocation to Mogadishu, Somalia, depending on security situation)</i>
<b>ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:</b>	<b>FAO Somalia</b>	<b>DURATION *:</b>	<b>One year renewable depending on availability of funds</b>
		<b>POST CODE/N<sup>o</sup>:</b>	<b>Unidentified</b>
		<b>CCOG CODE:</b>	<b>1.R.01.a</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. The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.**

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#### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

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Under the overall supervision of the Officer-in Charge FAO- Somalia, the technical guidance of the relevant technical department in FAO HQ, and the direct supervision of the Somali Water and Land information Management (SWALIM) Chief Technical Advisor and in close consultation with the sector coordinators of the FAO Somalia country office, the incumbent will be responsible for planning, coordinating and implementing the natural resources and environment management activities. In particular, the incumbent will:

- contribute technical and management expertise to the implementation of natural resources and environment management activities with issues of relevance correctly reflected in the programme and strategy of the country office, and ensuring that FAO procedures are followed;
- prepare detailed work plans and budgets, supervise technical staff, manage and coordinate the day-to-day activities and work in close collaboration with other FAO Somalia sector heads, Government ministries and/or departments/sectors in charge of natural resources and environment, ensuring that all activities are achieved on schedule and to acceptable technical standards;
- participate in the environmental review and screening of programmes and projects, including the implementation of environmental impact assessment guidelines;
- lead development, finalization and presentation of the Somali National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP); carryout assessments, consultations and workshops at regional and federal levels; liaise with government institutions and ensure their contributions are reflected in the plan;
- contribute to, and support FAO's components of work under the UN Joint Programme for Sustainable Charcoal Production and Alternative Livelihoods (PROSCAL) and ensure coordination with other UN partner agencies;
- liaise with national and international counterparts on energy related matters, including the Global Bio-Energy Partnership, the Global Alliance for Clean Cook stoves and the bio energy task forces of the International Energy Agency (IEA);
- coordinate and provide leadership in the development of priorities and implementation of natural resources and environment management activities as they relate to FAO Somalia resilience programme, climate change adaptations, land degradation and biodiversity related to natural resources and livelihoods;
- support the land activities of the SWALIM project and contribute to the development and promotion of applications, tools, guidelines and knowledge; guide technical staff ensure proper resource utilization and achievement of activities as described in the project document;
- coordinate the implementation of emergency projects, including supervision of activities contracted to consultants; draft and manage Letters of Agreements (LoAs), reviewing terms of reference studies and major reports, production of awareness materials, performing quality control on the outputs of project consultants and sub-contractors; direct the relevant project staff and coordinate both human and technical resources for effective implementation of the project;
- consult regularly with sector leads on activities and capacity development to ensure synergies, optimal strategic, programmatic, operational and resource coordination;
- act as focal point for any FAO - Global Environment Facility (GEF) projects in Somalia, coordinate and chair the National Environment Platform for Somalia (NEP-SOM) and represent FAO in the UN Environment Working Group for Somalia (EWG-SOM);
- prepare background material for, and participate in meetings; organize and participate in expert consultations and technical meetings and the dissemination of best practices;
- Perform other related duties as required.

#### **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

*Candidates should meet the following:*

- Advanced university degree in environmental science, forestry, or another field related to Natural Resource
- Seven years of relevant experience in environmental activities or natural resources assessment and management
- Working knowledge of English

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

*Candidates will be assessed against the following:*

- Extent and relevance of academic qualifications
- Extent and relevance of working experience related to natural resources management, utilization, technologies and policies

- Extent of relevant working experience in the East Africa region or countries in emergency and transition situations
- Extent of experience in field project development, implementation and monitoring
- Demonstrated analytical, coordination, negotiating and advisory skills
- Capacity to work successfully in multidisciplinary teams and multi-cultural contexts
- Good communication, presentation and writing skills, including ability to write concise reports in English
- Knowledge of another language of the Organization 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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**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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