



POSITION TITLE:	SENIOR STATISTICIAN (Economic statistics)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-5
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Statistics Division, ESS Economic and Social Development Department	DUTY STATION:	ROME
		DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 3 years
		POST CODE/N°:	0093661
		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.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the general supervision of the Director, ESS, the incumbent will lead a team tasked with planning and implementing a programme of work in economic statistics for agriculture, including methodology, data collection, validation, dissemination and capacity development. In particular, the incumbent will:

- provide guidance in the development and management of statistics on government expenditures, capital stocks and foreign direct investment in agriculture; develop and document appropriate methodologies for data collection and compilation; develop relevant indicators for the analysis of agricultural productivity;
- supervise the collection, validation and dissemination of data on government expenditure, capital stock and foreign direct investment in agriculture; identify and present the policy relevance of agricultural/economic statistics and related indicators; ensure regular updates of the FAOSTAT database;
- lead all methodological and conceptual developments in the area of food and agricultural price statistics; supervise the data collection, validation and dissemination of relevant data and indicators, ensuring regular updates of the FAOSTAT database;
- guide conceptual developments in the area of cost of production statistics and related indicators; develop and manage a survey programme for costs of production measurement;
- coordinate and contribute to the development of a System of Integrated Environmental and Economic Accounts for Agriculture (SEEA- AGRI) in collaboration with international expert committees on environmental economic accounting;
- develop and maintain country-specific agro-economic scorecards, identify appropriate indicators and develop aggregate metrics/scores for agriculture.
- promote the development of country capacity to produce and analyze economic statistics for agriculture; assess statistical capacity development needs and create strategies to address these needs; formulate technical assistance projects in the field of economic statistics for agriculture;
- coordinate and collaborate with senior officers of other FAO Divisions on matters relating to agricultural economic statistics in the preparation of reports or electronic publications; liaise with senior officers from UN and other international agencies;
- prepare technical articles, working papers, books and training materials and document best practices on agricultural economic indicators and statistics;
- oversee the organization of workshops and meetings and represent FAO in international meetings;
- participate in the planning and management of the Division's work programme;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in Statistics, Economics, or a related technical field
- Ten years of relevant experience in statistical analysis applied to economic studies (a PhD may substitute for 2 years of work experience)
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the other official languages of the Organization (French, Spanish, Russian, Arabic or Chinese)

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of experience in collecting, compiling and disseminating agricultural/economic statistics
- Extent and relevance of experience in conducting quantitative analyses, analytical studies and methodological research in agricultural/economic statistics
- Extent and relevance of experience in the compilation of National Accounts
- Extent and relevance of experience in the formulation of technical assistance projects, provision of technical support and preparation/implementation of training programmes in the field of economic statistics. Work experience in a developing country would be an asset
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Extent of experience in leading and supervising multi-cultural teams and delivering a results-based programme of work

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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