



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

## PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N°: IRC2099

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Deadline For Application: 04 September 2012

POSITION TITLE:	<b>Nutrition Officer</b> (Dietary Assessment)	GRADE LEVEL:	<b>P-4</b>
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	<b>Nutrition Assessment and Nutrient Requirements Group, AGNDA</b> Nutrition and Consumer Protection Division, AGN Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, AG	DUTY STATION:	<b>Rome, Italy</b>
		DURATION *:	<b>Fixed Term: 3 years</b>
		POST CODE/N°:	<b>C/0101850</b>
		CCOG CODE:	<b>1102b</b>

**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, AGN and the technical supervision of the Senior Officer (Group Leader), AGNDA, the incumbent will design and implement diet and nutrition assessment activities on the food and nutritional situation of populations, with particular attention to gender dimensions, at global, national and local level, especially in developing countries. In particular, the incumbent will:

- Develop a global food consumption database
- Develop, adapt and field test assessment tools and methods for qualitative and quantitative food consumption surveys, including biodiversity
- Analyse food consumption data
- Develop member countries' capacity to assess, analyze and monitor the food and nutrition situation of their population
- Prepare scientific information specifically for policy makers and planners
- Foster collaboration with relevant UN agencies and civil society organizations in order to improve assessment, monitoring and evaluation of nutrition situations with the aim of harmonizing methodologies and providing better data for decision making;
- Supervise the preparation of Nutrition Country Profiles;
- Prepare guidelines and tools for food consumption surveys and nutritional indicators;
- perform other related duties as required.

### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

*Candidates should meet the following:*

- Advanced University Degree in Nutrition, Epidemiology or related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in assessment and analysis of diets and nutrition
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, or Russian

### SELECTION CRITERIA

*Candidates will be assessed against the following:*

- Relevance of experience in assessment and analysis of diet and nutrition at population level in developing countries
- Demonstrated ability to design, manage and implement the collection, processing and analysis of quantitative nutrition data
- Relevance of experience in building developing countries' capacity to assess, analyze and monitor food and nutrition information
- Demonstrated ability to analyze food and nutrition-related data using advanced statistical applications
- Demonstrated ability to write technical reports and scientific publications and to formulate projects (including project design techniques and funding proposals)
- Quality of both oral and written communication skills in English
- Demonstrated ability to work in an inter-disciplinary team

**This vacancy is currently published in English only; the Spanish and French versions will be available shortly.**

*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**

### REMUNERATION

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<http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/>

and complete the on-line application

In order for your candidature to be properly evaluated, please ensure to complete the on-line application in all sections.

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