



POSITION TITLE:	Animal Production and Health Officer	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Cairo, Egypt
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Regional Office for the Near East (RNE)	DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 2 years
		POST CODE/N ^o :	2002115
		CCOG CODE:	1108

**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 duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall managerial and administrative leadership of the ADG/Regional Representative for Near East (RNE) and the direct technical supervision of the Director, Animal Production and Health Division, the incumbent will provide technical advice and participate in the programme on livestock development in the RNE region. The incumbent will also contribute to strengthening partnership and knowledge networks within and outside the Organization, supporting country-level actions guided by FAO's Country Programme Framework (CPF) as well as increasing South-South and triangular cooperation. In particular, the incumbent will:

- support country-level actions guided by FAO's Country Programming Frameworks (CPFs), subregional and regional priority frameworks and higher-level strategic frameworks of the Organization in order to transform FAO's knowledge products into country-level results and impacts;
- contribute to AGA's regular programme activities on animal health and livestock development, and support FAO's global and regional livestock programmes;
- provide, as needed, technical advisory support to FAO members and regional organisations on the formulation and implementation of policies and programmes for the development, integration and improvement of a sustainable livestock sector in the region;
- provide technical support to FAO Members dealing with livestock issues and, where appropriate, technically backstop projects dealing with the livestock sector development in the region;
- act as focal point for livestock development programmes relevant to the region, including thematic crosscutting initiatives such as progressive control of transboundary animal diseases and key zoonoses, sustainable livelihoods, biodiversity, biosecurity; good agriculture practices (GAP);
- promote and review programmes to prevent the introduction and/or spread of transboundary and major zoonotic animal diseases that include: disease surveillance, diagnosis and reporting; contingency planning and simulation exercises at national and regional levels;
- identify sustainable livestock intensification and GAP issues relevant to the region including: breed conservation and improvement, improved husbandry, transhumance, natural resource management and livestock marketing (including preservation and processing) of animal products;
- undertake analytical studies on specific technical and policy issues affecting livestock production and health; organize and conduct scientific and technical meetings; prepare reports, manuals, guidelines and other specialized publications;
- cooperate and/or liaise with national, regional and International institutions in planning/establishing training, extension, monitoring, research and capacity building programmes for the livestock sector;
- contribute to the development and maintenance of the Divisional livestock information systems;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Animal Science, Veterinary Science or a related discipline
- Seven years of relevant experience in animal production and health programmes which included at least three years experience in developing countries
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of Arabic or French

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of experience in livestock development and animal health, preferably in North Africa and the Near East Region
- Extent and relevance of academic qualifications in animal health and production
- Extent and relevance of project/programme formulation, implementation and technical support experience
- Ability to organize emergency and large scale livestock development and animal health strategies and campaigns
- Extent of negotiating and advisory skills as well as knowledge and understanding of the work of international organizations and national governments
- Excellent communication skills both orally and in writing in English including ability to write concise reports
- Working knowledge of Arabic considered 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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and complete the on-line application

In order for your application to be properly evaluated, please ensure that all sections of the on-line application are completed.

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