



POSITION TITLE:	Forestry Officer (Policy)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Bangkok, Thailand
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific	DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 2 years
	RAP	POST CODE/N°:	0726460
		CCOG CODE:	1H06

**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 within the region depending on the evolving needs of the Organization

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall administrative management of the Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific and the direct supervision of the Senior Forestry Officer, RAP, and as a member of the RAP-NRE multi-disciplinary team, will promote the development and implementation of forest policies and legislative frameworks in a participatory and decentralized manner, which are harmonized with other relevant renewable natural resources policies and regulations, and consistent with Governments' overall national economic development policies and international agreements. 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;
- Provide support and guidance to governments and other partner organizations of the region in planning, formulating, implementing and monitoring national forest programmes, projects and activities for strengthening institutional capacity to meet changes in societal demands on forest resources;
- Support FAO Members and partner organizations in accessing resources for effective implementation of national forest programmes from donors, development banks, private sector, and other sources, as appropriate;
- Organize and deliver training courses, workshops and capacity building exercises as required to strengthen analyses and formulation of forest policies, legislative frameworks and institutional structures that would contribute to sustainable forest management;
- Study, analyze and document trends and changes in policies, regulations and institutional arrangements relevant to the forestry sector in the Asia-Pacific region, and provide encouragement, motivation and support to their implementation;
- Facilitate the sharing of experiences and knowledge related to forest policies, legislation and institutional arrangements through regional and sub-regional workshops, training and consultations, publications and reports, briefing materials, newsletters, websites, etc.;
- Keep abreast of international discussions, developments and agreements related to national forest programmes, forest policies, legislation and institutional arrangements, and ensure relevant information is conveyed to governments and organizations in the region through networks, publications, internet websites, list-servers and other mechanisms;
- Provide linkages and opportunities for forestry to expand in a more multi-disciplinary manner that integrates forests with other natural resources and livelihood development, agriculture and food security, and climate change;
- Advise FAO Members in formulating national and regional projects related to forest policies, legislation and institutional arrangements; provide technical backstopping to related national and regional projects;
- Participate in, and contribute to the work of the RAP Country Task Forces and other RAP programmatic processes; Ensure the smooth and timely implementation of the overall FAO forestry programme of work in Asia and the Pacific; act as RAP-NRE Officer-in-Charge when required;
- Support the planning, organization and convening of sessions of the Asia-Pacific Forestry Commission and related activities, regional meetings and conferences;
- Perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in forestry or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience related to forest policy, legislation, and institutional development, and participatory approaches related to natural resource management; International working experience, preferably in developing countries
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the other official language of FAO (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, and Spanish)

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Knowledge of forest policy, legislation and institutional development; knowledge of participatory forestry would be an advantage

- Extent of experience in implementing work related to forest policy, legislation and institutional development, especially in the Asia-Pacific region, as related to the duties and responsibilities of the position
- Knowledge of international forest policies, programmes, issues, processes and organizations, including in developing countries of the Asia-Pacific region
- Ability to work as an effective team member, supporting others, and fostering a positive team environment within a multi-cultural setting
- Ability to communicate effectively in English, both orally and in writing

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

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