



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N°: IRC2251

Issued on: **21 December 2012**

Deadline For Application: **18 January 2013**

POSITION TITLE:	Technical Officer (Land and Environment)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Land and Water Division (NRL)	DURATION *:	2 years
	Natural Resources Management and Environment Department (NR)	POST CODE/N°:	0073539
		CCOG CODE:	1.H.07

**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 of the Land and Water Division and the direct supervision of the Land Programme Lead Officer, the incumbent will work in activities related to land resources and environment management for sustainable agriculture and rural development. In particular, the incumbent will:

- collect, analyse and disseminate pertinent information regarding environmental factors and problems related to land and water development and integrated natural resources management activities;
- formulate and promote activities related to land and environment management;
- write and review project documents, technical reports and documents related to land and environmental issues;
- plan, organize and supervise the execution of multi-disciplinary land management and environment projects to assist integrated land use planning and management, including ecosystems services;
- liaise with other FAO divisions, international agencies and government institutions on soils, land and environmental issues;
- contribute to the development and implementation of a strategy to mobilize resources from member states, partners, other stakeholders and donors to support the implementation of land and environment activities at global, regional and national levels;
- provide advice, with technical inputs and problem resolution, to field projects and training activities relating to land and environment (including land use planning and land/ecosystem assessment, assessment of globally important agricultural heritage systems and their management);
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in Agriculture, Soil Science, Environmental Sciences or related field of Natural Resources
- Seven years of progressively responsible professional experience in land and environmental activities
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish with a limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese or Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Ability to analyse technical and scientific information, to express ideas clearly and concisely both orally and in writing
- Extent of experience in addressing Land and Environmental issues in agriculture in developing countries
- Extent of knowledge of FAO activities, structure and tools in the field of sustainable land management and land degradation
- Ability to plan and organize work and participate in a multi-disciplinary team

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

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/>

To apply: visit the iRecruitment website at

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

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.

Please note that FAO staff members are international civil servants subject to the authority of the Director-General and may be assigned to any activities or office of the organization.

FAO IS A NON-SMOKING ENVIRONMENT