



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Deadline For Application: 5 March 2013

POSITION TITLE:	Programme Officer (Governance)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-3
		DUTY STATION:	Rome
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Office of Assistant Director-General, ESD	DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 2 years
	Economic and Social Development Department, ES	POST CODE/N°:	0889148
		CCOG CODE:	1A10

**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 overall guidance of the Assistant Director-General, Economic and Social Development Department and the technical supervision of the Principal Officer (Policy and Governance) and as a member of the Governance and Policy Team, the Programme Officer (Governance), will provide substantive contributions and programme management support to FAO's work on food, agriculture and rural development governance. In particular, the incumbent will:

- participate in, and support the work of an organization-wide team to monitor and analyse FAO's contribution to governance initiatives, assess lessons learned and propose strategies for future engagements;
- contribute to assessments and analysis of issues and good practices in food systems governance, with a view to building an evidence base for programme and policy support;
- prepare specialized input and contributions to multi-stakeholder processes aimed at enhancing the food, agriculture and rural development governance at national and at international levels;
- participate in the development of approaches for addressing agriculture and rural development governance in global, regional and country programmes and projects, with particular focus on initiatives under FAO's new Strategic Framework;
- contribute to the development of monitoring tools for tracking key factors in food systems governance and for assessing the contribution of FAO interventions to improved food systems governance;
- contribute to the development and compilation of information for an internet portal on agriculture and rural development governance;
- develop and maintain a database on FAO support to agriculture and rural development governance at global, regional and national levels;
- contribute to establishing and maintaining a professional network on policy and agriculture and rural development governance;
- perform other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Social Sciences, Economics, Nutrition, International Development, Food Policy, Public Administration, Law or related field
- Five years of relevant experience in agricultural and rural development and/or food security and nutrition, including developing country experience
- 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 and extent of academic qualifications
- Relevance and extent of professional experience
- Analytical skills and knowledge relevant to food systems governance
- Planning and organizing capacity
- Good oral and written communication skills, particularly in English
- Ability to work as a member of a 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.

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