Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N^O: IRC2281*

Issued on: **15 February 2013**
Deadline For Application: **15 March 2013**

POSITION TITLE:	**Economist** (Global Perspectives)	**GRADE LEVEL:**	**P-3**
		DUTY STATION:	**Rome**
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	**Agricultural Development Economics Division, ESA**	**DURATION ∗:**	**Fixed Term: two years**
	Economic and Social Development Department, ES	**POST CODE/N^O:**	**0725552**
		CCOG CODE:	**1E02**

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, ESA and as member of one or more task teams, the incumbent will perform economic analyses of global issues in food and agriculture. In particular, the incumbent will:

- participate in quantitative analysis of long-term issues affecting global food and agriculture, especially in relation to long-term projections of food and agricultural supply and demand;
- analyse related technical, socio-economic and policy issues, including the preparation and evaluation of data and application of relevant analytical tools;
- analyse topics of a multidisciplinary character in cooperation with other FAO units where appropriate;
- implement econometric techniques and evaluate their results in the above-mentioned analyses;
- undertake the preparation and drafting of analytical reports;
- maintain databases relevant to the team's work;
- perform other related duties as required.

* This Vacancy Announcement cancels and supersedes Vacancy Announcement No. IRC2046. Applicants who applied to VA IRC2046 must apply to the present vacancy in iRecruitment in order to be considered.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in Economics or Agricultural Economics
- Five years of relevant experience in economic and quantitative analysis of agricultural production, natural resources use, food demand or related areas (a PhD in one of the above fields may substitute for two years of professional 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:

- Extent and relevance of experience in conducting quantitative economic analysis, economic modeling, and in applying econometric techniques in one or more of the relevant subject areas
- Proven ability in formulating and implementing analytical and policy studies
- Proven publications record in one or more of the relevant subject areas
- Quality of oral and written communication skills
- Ability to work well as part of a multidisciplinary team
- Level and relevance of academic qualifications
- Familiarity with simulation techniques, including experience with global economic models, and software such as GAMS, GEMPACK, and STATA.

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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