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Deadline For Application: **1 May 2014**

POSITION TITLE:	**Fishery Officer (Statistics on Fishing Fleet)**	GRADE LEVEL:	**P-3**
		DUTY STATION:	**Rome, Italy**
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	**Statistics and Information Branch (FIPS)**	DURATION *:	**Fixed term - 2 years**
	Fisheries and Aquaculture Department (FI)	POST CODE/N°:	**C/1046896**
		CCOG CODE:	**1.M.02**

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 activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall guidance of the Director, FIP and the general supervision of the Senior Fishery Statistician, the incumbent will be responsible for the collection, compilation, collation, validation, analysis and dissemination of reliable and up-to-date statistics on fishing fleet and fishery employment as well as other information relating to fishing vessels and their operations, including the records of vessels authorised to fish on the high seas in support of the FAO Compliance Agreement (High Seas Vessels Authorized Records). In particular, the incumbent will:

- collect, compile, and analyze data on fishing fleets, number of fishers, fishing capacities and their operations, and prepare timely and accurate statistics on social and operational aspects of fishery and aquaculture, in particular of fleet and fishery employment;
- evaluate quality, representativeness, consistency and completeness of data provided from national and international sources, estimate missing data through analyses, cross-checking with other statistical and modelling techniques;
- maintain the timely and accurate updates of HSVAR databases and other information products (e.g., Deep Sea Authorized Vessel List, Fishing Vessel Finders) and, when necessary and appropriate, develop additional databases and information products, in order to support fishery management and corresponding monitoring needs;
- undertake statistical work and analyses and provide reports on trends and status of social and operational aspects of fishery and aquaculture, in particular of fishing fleet and employment, and participate in relevant meetings as required;
- provide technical assistance to countries in relation to fishing fleet and employment statistics, maintenance of vessel registries and collection and management of information relating to fishing capacity, vessels, and their operations;
- participate in the development of methodologies, standards, and classifications of collecting, collating and disseminating data relating to social and operational aspects of fishery and aquaculture, in particular of fishing fleet and employment;
- maintain liaison and working cooperation with other units of the Fisheries Department, other Departments within the FAO, Regional Fishery Organizations and other related agencies, for matters relating to data and information on social and operational aspects of fishery and aquaculture, in particular of fishing fleet and employment;
- perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- University degree in statistics, fishery science, quantitative economics, or a related field
- Five years of relevant experience in the field of statistics and data management of fisheries or socio-economic information
- 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 of experience in collecting, compiling, evaluating, analyzing and disseminating vessel-related or socio-economic data, information and statistics
- Extent of knowledge of the fisheries industry and general commodity flow of fishery products and extent of understandings on fishery management
- Ability to undertake statistical, social and economic analyses and to summarize, interpret and communicate findings
- Familiarity with complex large databases and knowledge of some statistical and database languages
- Knowledge of classifications and terminologies as applied to vessel description, fishing technology and characteristics of employment in the fishery sector
- Initiative, tact and high sense of responsibility and ability to meet tight deadlines and work effectively as a team member
- Excellent communication skills both orally and in writing
- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable

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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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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