



**Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations**  
**PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N°: IRC2635**

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**Deadline For Application: 5 November 2014**

<b>POSITION TITLE:</b>	<b>Land and Natural Resources Tenure Officer (Rural development)</b>	<b>GRADE LEVEL:</b>	<b>P-4</b>
	<b>DUTY STATION:</b> Budapest, Hungary		
<b>ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:</b>	<b>Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, REU</b>	<b>DURATION *:</b>	<b>Fixed-term:2 years</b>
		<b>POST NUMBER:</b>	<b>2000250</b>
			<b>CCOG CODE:</b> 1R

**Qualified female applicants and qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged to apply.**

**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.**

#### **Organizational Setting**

The Regional Office for (REU) is responsible for leading FAO's response to regional priorities for food security, agriculture and rural development through the identification, planning and implementation of FAO's priority activities in the region. It ensures a multidisciplinary approach to programmes, identifies priority areas of action for the Organization in the Region and, in collaboration with departments and divisions at Headquarters, develops, promotes and oversees FAO's strategic response to regional priorities. REU also advises on the incorporation of regional priorities into the Organization's Programme of Work and Budget and implements approved programmes and projects in the region, monitors the level of programme implementation and draws attention to problems and deficiencies. REU develops and maintains relations with region-wide institutions including the Regional Economic Integration Organizations (REIOs).

The Regional Office supports regional policy dialogue on food security, agriculture and rural development issues, facilitates the emergence of regional partnerships, and supports capacity development and resource mobilization for food security, agriculture and rural development in the region.

The post is located in the Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia (REU)

#### **Reporting Lines**

The Land and Natural Resources Tenure Officer (Rural Development) reports administratively to the ADG/REU, directly to the Deputy Regional Representative, REU and works under the technical guidance of the Deputy Director of the Climate, Energy and Tenure Division (NRC)

#### **Technical Focus ( optional)**

Provide advice and assistance on land tenure, land policy, and land administration within the framework of the *Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forestry*,

#### **Key Results**

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, development and implementation of Regional programmes, projects, products and services in accordance with Regional objectives and FAO Strategic Objectives

#### **Key Functions**

- Plans and leads components of multi-disciplinary teams, leads and/or participates in internal committees, project teams, and working groups and/or provides specialized expertise on technical networks and/or international technical policy and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies.
- Develops technical, analytical, monitoring and reporting frameworks, and related methodologies, tools, systems and databases etc. to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of programmes of work, projects, products and/or services.
- Designs and conducts research, data collection, validation, analysis and/or reporting activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovative approaches and strategies, new tools, technologies, technical reports/publications, and/or policy proposals as well as the provision of technical/policy/ specialist/advice and expertise.
- Responds to country requests for technical and policy assistance, provides technical advice, assistance and solutions to Decentralized Offices and provides technical backstopping to field projects.
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality / effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities within member countries such as policy support, organizational development and individual learning events including preparation of related information, learning materials, on-line tools..
- Promotes international cooperation/advocates best practices, increased policy dialogue and provides technical expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings.
- Participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

### Specific Functions (optional)

- Reviews land and rural development policies and programmes and assesses the implications for improving smallholder farming, promoting rural employment creation and poverty reduction, and strengthening food security;
- Leads the implementation of FAO's Regional Initiative "Empowering Small Holders and Family Farms";
- Advises on the selection of consultants and participate in the supervision of their work

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### CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

#### Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in natural resources, social sciences, agriculture or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in natural resources management and land tenure or other related fields with emphasis on rural development in developing and transition economies
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

#### Competencies

- Results Focus
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Building Effective Relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement

#### Technical/Functional Skills

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable
- Demonstrated experience or knowledge of land tenure, policy, rural development poverty and development
- Extent and relevance of experience in the formulation and implementation of projects and in providing support to countries for technical assistance in the field of rural development
- Extent and relevance of experience in analysing natural resources management and land tenure and related issues
- Extent and relevance of experience in the preparation of technical and policy reports, guidelines and manuals in the field of land tenure and rural development.
- Demonstrated ability to mobilize resources

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Please note that all candidates should adhere to *FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency*.

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#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills.
- Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which will be followed by a competency-based interview.
- Your application will be screened based on the information provided in your iRecruitment online profile (see "How to Apply"). We strongly recommend that you ensure that the information is accurate and complete including employment record, academic qualifications and language skills.
- Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognised in the IAU/UNESCO list.
- Other similar positions at the same level may be filled from this vacancy notice and the endorsed candidates will be considered for the Employment Roster for a period of 2 years.
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments.

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#### REMUNERATION

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#### HOW TO APPLY

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website at <http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/> and complete your online profile. Only applications received through iRecruitment will be considered.

Candidates are requested to attach a letter of motivation to the online profile.

Vacancies will be removed from iRecruitment at 23:59 Central European Time (CET) on the deadline for applications date. We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline date.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: [Recruitment@fao.org](mailto:Recruitment@fao.org)

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