



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Deadline For Application: 17 June 2015

POSITION TITLE:	Partnerships Officer (Private Sector)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-3
		DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Partnerships Unit, OPCP	DURATION *:	Fixed term: two years
	Office for Partnerships, Advocacy and	POST NUMBER:	2003902
	Capacity Development, OPC	CCOG CODE:	1.A.08

*The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

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 Office for Partnerships, Advocacy and Capacity Development (OPC) is responsible for providing corporate strategic advice and developing the tools and methodologies and long-term vision that will allow FAO to proactively engage in partnerships, advocate its messages and develop capacities in all areas comprised in the Organization's five Strategic Objectives.

The position is located in the Partnerships Unit (OPCP), responsible for developing and strengthening external partnerships and supporting the Organization's engagement with Non-State Actors.

Reporting Lines

The Partnerships Officer (Private Sector) reports to the Liaison Officer, Partnerships Unit (OPCP).

Technical Focus

Contribute to the development and strengthening of partnerships with all the different actors in the private sector to accomplish FAO's mandate

Key Results

Support the development of partnerships with private sector entities in Headquarters and Decentralized Offices in support of the strategic objectives of the Organization

Key Functions

- Identifies, assess and develops, with the appropriate technical divisions, possible collaborations and partnerships with private sector entities for the fulfilment of the Strategic Objectives, both at Headquarters (HQ) and decentralized levels;
- Provides guidance and support to staff at Headquarters (HQ) and in Decentralized Offices (DOs) on the use of corporate requirements related to partnerships with the private sector;
- Elaborates an annual work plan with the priorities and main activities of private sector entities, which will be aligned with FAO's Strategic Objectives and programmes;
- Coordinates and monitors all operations and activities related to the Multi-Donor Trust Fund in support of mobilization of resources from the private sector.
- Establishes links with different FAO entities and governing bodies, including the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and other relevant regional and national fora on policy discussions to strengthen partnerships with private sector entities;
- Identifies and develops fundraising proposals in collaboration with key stakeholders both at HQ and decentralized offices in support of FAO's strategic objectives and country programming frameworks
- Develops tools for capacity building among staff in HQ and DO to strengthen FAO's capacity of partnering with the private sector;
- Contributes to the elaboration and execution of the Monitoring and Evaluation system of FAO's partnerships.
- Participates on multi-disciplinary teams, and/or leads working groups/teams collaborates with other departments and agencies on work groups and committees and promotes best practices.

Specific Functions

- Monitors the database of FAO partnerships with the private sector and report on requirements related to partnerships.
- Liaises with the Regional Partnership Focal points on matters related to the private sector and provides overall support, ensuring the regional activities are aligned to the annual work plan
- Assists the Partnerships Committee (PC) and its Sub-Committee for Review of Financial and other arrangements (SubCom-RFA) on the screening of proposed partnerships
- Develops a coherent approach for outreach and partnering with the private sector and provides guidance and support to FAO technical departments at HQ and Dos in: (i) reviewing and responding day-to-day requests regarding private sector partnerships: and ii) developing outreach efforts to the private sector.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in international relations, social sciences, economics, agricultural sciences or any other discipline relevant to the work of the Organization
- Five years of relevant experience in the analysis, planning and management of policies and programmes, especially with the private sector
- 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
- Extent and relevance of academic qualifications
- Knowledge of FAO's strategy for private sector partnerships is considered an asset
- Extent and relevance of experience in establishing partnerships and networks with partners in the private sector
- Quality of both oral and written communication skills and ability to write and/or edit technical documents clearly and concisely in English is considered a strong asset

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

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.

REMUNERATION

A competitive compensation and benefits package is offered. For information on UN salaries, allowances and benefits, click on the following link: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/salaries_allowances/salary.htm

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: iRecruitment@fao.org

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