



POSITION TITLE:	Senior Forestry Officer (Global Forest Resources Assessment Team Leader)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-5
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Forestry Policy and Resources Division (FOA) Forestry Department (FO)	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
		DURATION *:	Fixed-term: 2 years
		POST NUMBER:	0023884
		CCOG CODE:	1.H.06

* 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 Forest Policy and Resources Division leads FAO's work in promoting sustainable forest management and providing leadership on the environmental, social and economic dimensions of forestry, including its contributions to poverty reduction and food security and nutrition. It liaises with member countries, civil society and the private sector in aspects ranging from development of effective forest policies to forest conservation and management issues, and strengthens the role of forests in climate change mitigation and adaptation. The Division also collects, analyses and disseminates information on the world's forest resources and on the production, trade and consumption of wood and non-wood forest products.

The post is located in the Global Forest Resources Assessment Team.

Reporting Lines

The Senior Forestry Officer reports to the Deputy Director, FOA, with a high degree of autonomy for Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) activities.

Technical Focus

Global Forest Resources Assessment

Key Results

Leadership and technical policy expertise for the planning, development and implementation of Departmental / Division Programmes of work, projects, products, services in accordance with (Departmental &) FAO Strategic Objectives.

Key Functions

- Plans, manages, or leads highly specialized or multi-disciplinary teams, leads, coordinates, and/or participates on Organization-wide, cross-Departmental committees, project teams, and working groups, and/or provides technical leadership/secretariat services on technical networks and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies.
- Analyzes global and country specific requirements and relevant technical issues to provide critical input into the FAO Strategic Objectives, Programme of Work, work plans and the supporting budgets and/or resourcing strategies.
- Implements and monitors programmes of work involving the development of the approach, evidence based strategies, and related tools, methodologies and the supporting system/database, monitoring and reporting frameworks
- Conducts, designs and oversees research and analysis activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovation, technical reports, publications and/or on-going programme development as well as the provision of technical and/or policy advisory services
- Provides technical and policy advice to Member countries and technical support to decentralized offices in the development and implementation of their programmes.
- Leads and/or 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, on-line tools.
- Represents the Organization at international meetings and conferences, identifies and implements strategic partnerships, advocates best practices and increased policy dialogue and develops and negotiates effective working relationships/consensus and agreements with international and national stakeholders.
- Leads and/or participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

Specific Functions

- Leads and manages the Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) 2020 consistent with the FRA Long-Term Strategy and new global reporting requirements such as on climate change and on Sustainable Development Goals, thus contributing to FAO Strategic Programmes and respective Delivery Mechanisms, including in particular the Strategic Programme 2 on increasing and improving the provision of goods and services from agriculture, forestry and fisheries in a sustainable manner;
- Ensures the further development of the FRA in line with the FAO strategic work to build capacity to access and use data to support policy and planning decisions, including on cross-sectoral issues of sustainable agriculture and natural resources management, and in collaboration with national, regional and international organizations, partners and donors based on a clear understanding of user needs;
- Supervises the dissemination of the FRA data through various internal and external channels;
- Coordinates, supervises and contributes to the collection, processing and analysis of information on forest resources, their management and uses at national, regional and global levels;
- Leads the preparation and production of publications on global forest resources and ensure that related information products are timely and accurate;
- Coordinates the network of National Correspondents to the FRA Programme;
- Supervises the further development of the use of remote sensing with the FRA and Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire (CFRQ) partners;
- Serves as focal point for collaboration with other units in FAO, and with other international organizations and processes concerned with subject matter related to the FRA;
- Coordinates the work and meetings of the FRA Advisory Group;
- Ensures overall coordination of activities, providing guidance and day-to-day supervision of staff;
- Mobilises and manages extra-budgetary funds for the Programme;

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

Advanced University Degree in forestry, natural resources or a related field

Ten years of relevant experience in the field of forest resources management, assessment or inventory which included extensive international experience and working experience in developing countries or countries in transition

Working level knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese or Russian.

Competencies

- Results Focus
- Leading, Engaging and Empowering
- Communication
- Partnering and Advocating
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement
- Strategic Thinking

Technical/Functional Skills

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is essential
- Demonstrated expertise in forest resources management, assessment or inventory
- Relevance of academic qualifications and training
- Extent and relevance of experience in developing countries and knowledge of their forest resources and relevant international experience
- Ability to mobilize resources

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.

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HOW TO APPLY

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

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