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POSITION TITLE:	Forestry Officer (Wildlife and Protected Area Management)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Forestry Policy and Resources Division (FOA) Forestry Department, FO	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
		DURATION*:	Fixed-term:2 years
		POST NUMBER:	0122009
		CCOG CODE:	1H06

* 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.

The post is located in the Forest Resources Management Team, Forestry Policy and Resources Division, FOA

Reporting Lines

The Forestry Officer reports to the Team Leader, Forest Resources Management Team, under the overall guidance of the Director, FOA.

Technical Focus

The post provides support to FAO's work in the field of conservation and sustainable management of wildlife, and protected area management. The Forestry Officer will also be involved in cross-sectoral work that includes forestry, agriculture, livestock and fisheries through an integrated wildlife management approach.

Key Results

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

Key Functions

- Plans and leads components of multi-disciplinary teams, leads and/or participates on Organization-wide, cross-Departmental 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

- Supervises and implement normative activities in conservation and sustainable management of wildlife, and protected area management, thus contributing to FAO Strategic Programmes and respective Delivery Mechanisms, including in particular Strategic Programme 2 on increasing and improving the provision of goods and services from agriculture, forestry and fisheries in a sustainable manner;
- Promotes and advise member countries on policies, strategies and methods of conservation and sustainable management of wildlife, and protected area management, including the use of participatory methods for better contribution of wildlife conservation and management to rural development, livelihood improvement and food security;
- Serves as Secretary of the Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management;

- Collaborates with other divisions concerned in related technical fields and support collaborative inter-agency activities in above areas;
 - Plans, organizes and participates in international meetings, seminars and workshops on matters related to and sustainable management of wildlife, and protected area management; support capacity building; generates, compiles and disseminate technical information, publications, training course materials and maintain websites;
 - Develops response programmes and help raise resources for their implementation through the Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) and other funding mechanisms;
 - Provides support and technical backstopping to field projects and to member countries and institutions in conservation and sustainable management of wildlife, and protected area management;
 - Serves as the Forestry Department focal point for wildlife and protected area management including i.a. participation in inter-departmental activities and programmes, and participation in FAO's contribution to international agreements in these areas (including i.a. CBD, CITES, CMS).
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CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in forestry, biology or related field with specialization or a post-graduate degree in protected areas and wildlife conservation and management
- Seven years of relevant experience in forest resources assessment, wildlife conservation and management and protected area management
- 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 experience or knowledge of wildlife conservation and management and protected area management
- Extent and relevance of experience in different countries and regions, especially in developing countries and countries in transition and knowledge of global issues, international initiatives and agreements related to conservation and sustainable management of forests and biodiversity
- Ability to mobilize resources
- Proficiency in other official languages would be an 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

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HOW TO APPLY

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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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