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POSITION TITLE:	Statistician (Disaster assessment and resilience measurement)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-2
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Statistics Division (ESS) Economic and Social Development Department –ES	DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
		DURATION:	Fixed Term: 2 years
		POST NUMBER:	0094196
		CCOG CODE:	1.M.02

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

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

Organizational Setting

The Statistics Division develops, and advocates for the implementation of methodologies and standards for data collection, validation, processing and analysis of food and agriculture statistics. In these statistical domains, it also plays a vital role in the compilation, processing and dissemination of internationally comparable data, and provides essential capacity building support to member countries. In addition, the Division disseminates many publications, working papers and statistical yearbooks, that cover agricultural and food security relevant statistics (including prices, investments, production, trade and agri-environmental statistical data).

The Social Statistics Team is responsible for developing and compiling a harmonized suite of indicators on rural development and livelihood, social protection, decent employment and gender inequalities; for processing available microdata from household surveys; and for providing capacity development and support to member countries in the analysis of household surveys. The Social Statistics Team also plays an essential role in the development of a dataset on disasters and losses in agriculture and in the compilation of resilience indicators.

The post is located in Rome

Reporting Lines

The Statistician reports to the Team Leader of the Social Statistics Team.

Technical Focus

Implementation and consolidation of the methodology for the estimation of social statistics, with special reference to the indicators of decent rural employment and social protection in agriculture and rural areas.

Key Results

Collection, analysis and review of information, data and statistics, and project/meeting services to support programme products, projects, publications, and services.

Key Functions

- Collects, reviews/cross checks and/or analyzes relevant agricultural, economic, trade, market, social, environmental, nutrition/food composition and/or gender related data, statistics and information to support delivery of programme projects, products, publications and services
- Undertakes analysis, provides technical input for plans and reports and edits/revises technical documents and/or publications
- Participates in the development of improved tools and methodologies
- Updates databases and web pages
- Participates in multi-disciplinary project/work teams
- Participates in the development of training materials and the organization of workshops/seminars etc.
- Participates in the meetings, consultations and conferences (including organization and follow-up), the development/production of required materials and the provision of information and assistance to partners

Specific Functions

- Assists in the development of the methodology for the assessment of the impact of disasters on agriculture; assists in the development of a database on disasters and losses; supports pilot countries in improving their methodology for the estimation of disasters and losses: provides statistical support to the production of an annual report on disasters and losses.
- Assists in the methodological development and update of indicators of resilience and vulnerability.
- Liaises with senior officers from other UN and international agencies.

Candidates will be assessed against the following

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in statistics, economics or a related technical field
- Three years of relevant experience in applying statistical methods for the compilation and analysis of social statistics, preferably in national statistical offices or international organizations
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian.

Competencies

- Results Focus
- Team Work
- 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 in disaster assessment
- Extent and relevance of experience in processing and analysing micro data from national surveys, with special reference to household surveys, and in conducting methodological research on vulnerability and resilience.
- Proficiency and flexibility in using statistical software, especially R, SPSS, or similar, (preferably open-source) software.
- Demonstrated experience in drafting technical reports/documents in English is considered a strong asset
- Extent and relevance of experience in project design/formulation and in the implementation of technical assistance projects and training programmes

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.

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If you need help, or have queries, please contact: iRecruitment@fao.org

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