



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: IRC3742

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Deadline For Application: 8 September 2017

Position Title:	Forestry Officer (Forest Management)	Grade Level:	P-4
		Duty Station:	Italy, Rome
Organizational Unit:	Forest Policy and Resources Division , FOA Forestry Department, FO	Duration *:	Fixed-term, 2 years
		Post Number:	0610038
		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.

*** This Vacancy Announcement is a reissuance. Applicants who already applied to this VA will not need to apply again in order to be considered.**

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 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 Chief (Policy and Resources).

Technical Focus

Provision of support to FAO's work in the sustainable management, silviculture, restoration and conservation of forests with a focus on natural forests. The Forestry Officer will be involved in cross-sectoral work that includes forestry, agriculture, livestock, and fisheries, contributing to FAO's strategic objective of making agriculture, forestry and fisheries more productive and sustainable.

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

- Promotes and advise member countries on policies, strategies and methods of sustainable forest management in the context of FAO's strategic programme on making agriculture, forestry and fisheries more productive and sustainable, and with a view to facilitating the contribution of forests and trees to improved livelihoods, rural development and food security;
- Supervises and implement normative activities in sustainable management, silviculture, restoration and conservation of natural forests in the context of broader work on sustainable food and agriculture or rural development;
- Collaborates with other divisions supporting inter-agency activities on forests, including agencies that are part of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests;
- Serves as the Forestry Department's focal point for matters related to sustainable forest management and plans, organizes and participates in relevant international meetings, seminars and workshops in this field;
- Supports capacity building and generates, compiles and disseminates technical information and training course materials, including the management and use of the Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) Toolkit, and updates websites as needed;
- Provides technical support and backstopping to field projects related to the sustainable management, silviculture, restoration and conservation of natural forests including in the context of broader work on sustainable food and agriculture or rural development;

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in forest resources management or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in sustainable forest 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 forest management in diverse forest types and ecosystems, and particularly of natural forests
- Extent and relevance of experience or knowledge of forests in broader agriculture or rural development contexts;
- Extent and relevance of experience in managing projects on sustainable forest management and related issues;
- 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
- 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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