



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: IRC3841

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Deadline For Application: 26 April 2017

Position Title:	Senior Programme Officer (Resilience)	Grade Level:	P-5
		Duty Station:	Egypt, Cairo
Organizational Unit:	Office of Deputy Regional Representative, RNEDD	Duration *:	Fixed term: one year with possibility of extension
		Post Number:	2005314
		CCOG Code:	1S01

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 Regional Office for the Near East and North Africa (RNE) is responsible for leading FAO's response to regional priorities for food security, agriculture and rural development through the identification, planning, and implementation of FAO's priority activities in the Region. It ensures a multidisciplinary approach to programmes, identifies priority areas of action for the Organization in the Region and, in collaboration with departments and divisions at Headquarters, develops, promotes and oversees FAO's strategic response to regional priorities. RAP also advises on the incorporation of regional priorities in the Organization's Programme of Work and Budget and implements approved programmes and projects in the Region, monitors the institutions including the Regional Economic Integration Organizations (REIOs).

The Regional Office supports regional policy dialogue on food security, agriculture and rural development issues, facilitates the emergence of regional partnerships, and supports capacity development and resource mobilization for food security, agriculture and rural development in the Region.

Reporting Lines

The Senior Resilience Officer reports to the Assistant Director-General/Regional Representative (ADG/RR) RNE and works under the technical guidance of the Director, Emergency and Rehabilitation Division, TCE.

Technical Focus

Programme development, coordination and implementation of FAO's resilience agenda at regional level.

Key Results

Effective and efficient coordination and technical guidance to the regional programme and project activities, as well as the development of a strategic programme on resilience and disaster risk reduction for the Near East and North Africa.

Key Functions

- Plans, manages, or leads highly specialized or multi-disciplinary regional teams, and provides technical leadership in high-level policy analysis, policy networks and/or international policy setting bodies;
- Analyses 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 related programmes of work including 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 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

- Coordinates the work of RNE on resilience and disaster risk reduction and provides overall technical guidance to the implementation of FAO's strategic objective on 'Resilience to Shocks and Crises' within the regions;
- Provides technical leadership on behalf of RNE to the formulation and implementation of projects and programmes related to FAO's resilience agenda, including disaster risk reduction, food chain treats and protracted crises;
- Contributes to the development or adaptation of region specific normative products and public goods and services that facilitate the implementation of resilience field projects in RNE region;
- Provides conceptual and technical advice to member countries and FAO country offices in the fields of resilience building, disaster risk reduction and emergencies.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in agriculture, rural development, disaster risk reduction, , forestry, fisheries, or any other field related to the work of the Organization
- Ten years of relevant experience in sustainable agricultural development and/or project implementation at international level, with at least 5 years focus on developing countries and experience in the Region
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the following languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish

Competencies

- Results Focus
- Leading, Engaging and Empowering Others
- 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.
- Extent and relevance of experience and/or knowledge in relation to institutional frameworks for disaster risk reduction, early warning, risk analysis and emergency preparedness and response work;
- Experience and track record of development of normative products and public goods that promote resilience building at country level, like risk and vulnerability assessment methodologies, early warning applications or capacity development approaches;
- Knowledge and experience in planning and implementing and technically advising programmes, and projects on resilience and disaster risk reduction, including in the RNE region, and in application of operational guidelines and programme/project management procedures, preferably those adopted by the United Nations or FAO;
- Extent of exposure and experience in strategic programme development for resilience building;
- Extent and relevance of experience and knowledge of International frameworks relevant for resilience programming and disaster risk reduction and management ' like SDGs, SFDRR or the UNFCCC Paris Agreement and , working with partners and relevant institutions or networks in the region and beyond;
- Ability to technically guide emergency and large scale emergency events in the Region and provide linkages to early recovery activities and subsequent development actions in the field;
- Skills and track record of resource mobilization;
- Extent and relevance of experience in organizing international meetings, seminars and training courses.

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 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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