



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: IRC3876

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Deadline For Application: 22 March 2017

Position Title:	Programme Officer	Grade Level:	P-4
		Duty Station:	Italy, Rome
Organizational Unit:	Team 2: Early Warning and Support to Preparedness and Response Team, TCED2	Duration *:	Fixed term: 1 year
		Post Number:	2006215
		CCOG Code:	1A02

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 Emergency and Rehabilitation Division is responsible for ensuring FAO's efforts to support countries and partners in preparing for and effectively responding to food and agricultural threats and crises. It is responsible for coordinating the development and maintenance of corporate tools and standards to enable Decentralized Offices to assist member countries to prepare for, and respond to emergencies. TCE ensures humanitarian policy coordination and knowledge, liaison with the Inter-Agency Standing Committee as well as with humanitarian resource partners, co-leadership with World Food Programme of the global Food Security Cluster, organizational preparedness, surge capacity and response to large-scale emergencies. TCE supports food and nutrition security assessment and early warning activities related to emergency and humanitarian analysis and responses. TCE plays a major role in the development and leadership of the Organization's programme to increase the resilience of livelihoods to food and agriculture threats and crises (SO5).

Reporting Lines

The Programme Officer reports to the Response Team Leader, TCE.

Key Results

Develops, implements, evaluates, effective leadership and management of major projects and teams.

Key Functions

- Develops, implements and evaluates assigned programmes/projects, etc.; monitors and analyzes programme/project development and implementation; reviews relevant documents and reports; identifies problems and issues to be addressed and initiates corrective actions; liaises with relevant parties; ensures follow-up actions;
- Performs consulting assignments, in collaboration with the client, by planning facilitating workshops, through other interactive sessions and assisting in developing the action plan the client will use to manage the change;
- Researches, analyzes and presents information gathered from diverse sources;
- Coordinates policy development, including the review and analysis of issues and trends, preparation of impact evaluation or equivalent studies, etc.;
- Generates survey initiatives; reviews, analyzes and interprets responses, identify problems/issues and prepares conclusions;
- Organizes and prepares written outputs, e.g. draft background papers, analysis, sections of reports and studies, inputs to publications, etc.;
- Provides substantive backstopping to consultative and other meetings, conferences, etc., to include proposing agenda topics, identifying participants, preparation of documents and presentations, etc.;
- Initiates and coordinates outreach activities; conducts training workshops, seminars, etc.; makes presentations on assigned topics/activities;
- Leads and/or participates in large, complex field missions, including provision of guidance to external consultants, government officials and other parties and drafting mission summaries, etc.;
- Coordinates activities related to budget funding (programme/project preparation and submissions, progress reports, financial statements, etc.) and prepares related documents/reports (pledging, work programme, programme budget, etc.).

Specific Functions

- supports the Decentralized Offices in adhering to FAO requirements for project opening, budget revisions, project closures in an emergency context as per established procedures and project cycle;
- liaises and interacts closely with resource partners and other stakeholders in the formulation and clearance process of donor agreements and amendments;
- prepares regular reports on resource mobilization to assist the management in the decision-making;
- ensures overall coherence of the divisional budget and contributes to the designing of annual work plans in coordination and consultation with the management;
- oversees FAO corporate dashboard for all emergency projects and takes corrective appropriate action;
- coordinates activities related to SFERA (Special Fund for Emergency and Rehabilitation) and the preparation of the annual report;
- supervises the team, provides coaching and training as required.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in business administration or public administration, social science, political science or a related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in project or programme management, administration or related area
- 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

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 the field of administration, human resources, finance and management
- Extent and relevance of experience in programme/project formulation, analysis, planning and implementation
- Strong experience with budget holder rules and responsibilities with background in finance and budgeting is an asset
- Extent of knowledge of planning and budgetary processes and associated tools, particular of project management cycle;
- Understanding of FAO policies and programmes is considered a strong asset
- Demonstrated experience in donor agreements and requirement.

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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