



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
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Deadline For Application: 29 March 2017

POSITION TITLE:	STATISTICIAN	GRADE LEVEL:	P-1
		DUTY STATION:	Multiple Duty Stations
		DURATION* :	Fixed-term: two years
		POST NUMBER:	Unidentified
		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

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 Statistics offices develop, and advocate 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 offices disseminate 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).

Reporting Lines

The Statistician reports to a Senior Statistician.

Technical Focus

Statistics

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

- Analyzes relevant technical social, economic, environmental, and technology information, data and/or statistics for input in various documents
- Maintains records and updates databases and web pages
- Provides technical support to various projects
- Collaborates in the development of training tools and materials and the organization of workshops/seminars etc.
- Participates in the organization and follow-up of meetings, consultations and conferences, the production of required materials and the provision of information and assistance to partners

Specific Functions

- Collects, reviews and 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;
- Participates in statistical field projects;
- Sustains the organization and delivery of meetings, seminars and training courses on food and agricultural statistics;
- Sustains the methodological development and update of Sustainable Development Goals indicators (SDGs) and 2015 Paris Climate Conference (CoP21);
- Contributes to the preparation of guidelines, manuals and training materials related to statistical methods used in FAO statistical processes
- Provides other units in the Regional Office and Headquarters with relevant inputs for region-wide planning and programming exercises and other report requirements, including gender analysis;
- Identifies missing official data and metadata in FAOSTAT and follows up on statistical questionnaires to improve response rates and the quality of information;
- Assists in improving the access of users to and the dissemination of FAO's database, including preparation of statistical indicators for the region for publication;
- Contributes to promoting cooperation and coordination between countries and to the exchange of information and methodological experiences

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in statistics, mathematics, economics with quantitative training or any other field related to the work of the Organization
- One year of relevant experience in the compilation, processing, validation and analysis of statistics, preferably in national statistics 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
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Building Effective Relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement

Technical/Functional Skills

- Extent and relevance of experience in applying statistical methods in the production of agricultural statistics
- Extent and relevance of experience in designing and delivering statistical capacity development programmes at country and regional level
- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable
- Extent and relevance of experience in the preparation and revision of technical/scientific documents and in organizing meetings and workshops

Please note that all candidates should adhere to *FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency*.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Candidates should be 32 years of age or younger as of 31 December of the year of application.
- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills.
- Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which will be followed by an 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

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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