



**Food and Agriculture Organization  
of the United Nations**

## **CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

### **Agricultural Economist - Policy Analyst**

Contract duration: 11 months (with possibility of extension)  
Vacancy No. IRC4031

Deadline for Applications: 18 April 2017  
Duty station: Rome, Italy

#### **Tasks and responsibilities:**

The Agricultural Development Economics Division (ESA) conducts economic research and policy analysis related to all five of the Organization's strategic objectives (food security, sustainable agriculture, poverty reduction, inclusive food systems and resilient livelihoods). ESA provides evidence-based analytical support to national, regional and global policy processes and initiatives related to food security and sustainable agriculture.

The Monitoring and Analysing Food and Agricultural Policies (MAFAP) programme in ESA seeks to establish country-owned and sustainable systems to monitor, analyse, and reform food and agricultural policies to enable more effective, efficient and inclusive policy frameworks in a growing number of developing and emerging economies.

MAFAP programme is looking for an Agricultural Economist/Policy Analyst to carry out policy-relevant economic analysis of the agricultural and food economy in Mozambique. In particular, the selected candidate will:

- Consolidate the relationship with country partners (relevant Ministries, other government institutions, as well as national research institutes), the donor agencies and other stakeholders relevant for the implementation of MAFAP Phase II in Mozambique;
- Strengthen the national policy monitoring system established in Mozambique, through the update of MAFAP indicators and production of technical notes and/or policy briefs on price incentives, public expenditure and policy coherence;
- Identify the main policy constraints limiting agricultural development in Mozambique and facilitate the articulation of priority policy options through dissemination of analytical results, policy dialogue and high-level consultations with key government institutions;
- Support the research work plan on policy options, as identified and agreed with the government, by applying specific ex-post and/or ex-ante analysis methodologies;
- Provide the technical support to the country team or national counterparts through peer review of technical outputs;
- Lead capacity development activities at country level on data collection and ex-post analysis

#### **Candidates should meet the following requirements:**

##### **Minimum Requirements**

- Advanced university degree in economics, agricultural economics, political science or any related field;
- Five years of relevant experience in economic analysis of food and agricultural issues, (indicatively, agricultural economics, food policies, agricultural price policies, agricultural inputs policies;
- Working knowledge of English and Portuguese.

##### **Technical/Functional skills:**

- Experience of applied agricultural and food policy economic analysis;

- Broad knowledge of current political economic conditions in developing countries, particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa, and ability to present the key results in front of public audiences;
- Experience in organizing missions and seminars/conferences in developing countries;
- Experience in communicating with government officials in developing countries;
- For this role, the following competencies would be particularly important: Achievement focus, Analytical thinking, Drafting skills, Influencing as well as Team work and Team leadership;

**Selection criteria**

Candidates will be assessed against the requirements listed above.

**Additional Information**

FAO seeks gender, geographical and linguistic diversity in its staff and international consultants in order to best serve FAO Members in all regions.

All candidates should adhere to FAO values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency.

**How to apply**

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