



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: IRC4451

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Deadline For Application: 30 September 2017

Position Title:	Statistician	Grade Level:	P-4
		Duty Station:	Egypt, Cairo
Organizational Unit:	Outposted Technical Officers Group, RNETD	Duration *:	Fixed term: 2 years (with possibility of extension)
		Post Number:	2002118
		CCOG Code:	1M02

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 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. RNE also advises on the incorporation of regional priorities into the Organization's Programme of Work and Budget and implements approved programmes and projects in the region, monitors the level of programme implementation and draws attention to problems and deficiencies. RNE develops and maintains relations with region-wide 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.

The post is located in the Cairo, Egypt.

Reporting Lines

The Statistician reports to the Regional Strategic Programmes Coordinator under technical guidance of the Chief Statistician.

Technical Focus

Promoting statistics capacity development and facilitating the collection and dissemination of food security, agricultural and environmental statistics in the Region.

Key Results

Comprehensive technical, statistical, analytical and/or policy analysis services and the development of specialized tools, methodologies, systems and/or databases to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of the programme of work and related products, projects, publications, and services.

Key Functions

- Plans and leads components of multi-disciplinary teams and short term work groups, leads and/or participates in internal committees, project teams, and working groups and provides specialized expertise on international technical networks and or technical policy and standard setting bodies;
- Develops technical, statistical, analytical, monitoring and reporting frameworks, and related tools, methodologies, systems and databases etc. to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of the programmes of work, products, projects, and services;
- Designs and conducts research, data collection, validation, analysis and/or reporting activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovative tools and methodologies, flagship publications/technical reports and/or policy proposals as well as the provision of technical specialist and/or policy advice and expertise;
- Responds to requests and provides technical/policy advice, assistance and solutions to Regional, Sub-Regional, and Country Offices and provides technical backstopping to field projects;
- Promotes international cooperation and collaboration, advocates best practices and increased policy dialogue and provides technical expertise at international meetings and conferences;
- Collaborates in capacity development activities involving knowledge sharing, the organization of training workshops, seminars, and meetings as well as the development of related materials and on-line tools and information kits;

- Participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with Corporate strategy and Departmental plans.

Specific Functions

- Identifies, formulates and technically backstops statistical field projects and participate in the selection, briefing and guidance of FAO field experts and the review of technical reports;
- Advises on the organization and conduct of agricultural censuses and surveys and of household surveys related to food and agriculture, including the use of appropriate methodologies and the training of national personnel as well as the dissemination of results;
- Reviews FAOSTAT country data identifying missing official data and metadata and follow up on statistical questionnaires to improve response rates and the quality of information;
- Improves the access of users to and the dissemination of FAO's database, including preparation of statistical indicators for the region for publication;
- Promotes cooperation and coordination between countries and facilitate the exchange of information and methodological experiences;
- Cooperates and develops partnerships with other agencies and regional organizations to promote effective and efficient food and agricultural statistics systems;
- 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;
- Supports countries in the production and dissemination of FAO-relevant SDG indicators;
- Performs other related duties as required..

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in statistics, mathematics, economics, agricultural economics, or a related field;
- Seven years of relevant experience in the compilation and analysis of food and agricultural statistics in national 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

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable;
- Extent and relevance of knowledge and experience in the compilation, validation and analysis of food security, agricultural and/or environmental statistics;
- Extent and relevance of knowledge and experience in designing, planning and managing large scale surveys and/or censuses;
- Extent and relevance of knowledge and experience in statistical software used for collecting, processing and analysing census/survey data;
- Extent and relevance of experience in designing and delivering statistical capacity development programmes at country and regional level, including the provision of training and technical assistance;
- Demonstrated ability to develop and maintain excellent working relations with donors and recipient agencies and to mobilize resources in support of statistical projects;

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
- Candidates endorsed in the selection process for this vacancy announcement will be considered for the FAO Professional

Employment Roster for a period of two years. The Roster is used to fill other similar positions at the same or lower grade, and in the same or another duty station

- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments

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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.

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