



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

## Vacancy Announcement No.: IRC5670

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Deadline For Application: **17 August 2018**

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<b>Position Title:</b>	Nutrition And Food Systems Officer (Nutrition Policy)	<b>Grade Level:</b>	P-3
		<b>Duty Station:</b>	Italy, Rome
<b>Organizational Unit:</b>	Nutrition and Food Systems Division, ESN	<b>Duration *:</b>	Fixed term: two years with possibility of extension
		<b>Post Number:</b>	2006265
		<b>CCOG Code:</b>	1102

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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.**

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### Organizational Setting

FAO's Nutrition and Food systems Division assists Member Countries to improve diets and raise levels of nutrition, and provides support with appropriate policies, strategies and methodologies for improving the efficiency and inclusiveness of their food and agricultural systems. As a knowledge leader, areas addressed include dietary assessment, support on nutrition-sensitive food and agriculture policies and programmes, effective nutrition promotion programmes, food value chains, market linkages, post-harvest handling, food loss and waste reduction, and agro-processing. FAO is committed to support Member States in their efforts to improve nutritional outcomes as stated in the Rome Declaration on Nutrition (November 2014) and to mainstream nutrition into FAO's strategic objectives.

### Reporting Lines

The Nutrition and Food Systems Officer reports to the Senior Nutrition and Food Systems Officer under the overall guidance of the Director of the Nutrition and Food Systems Division.

### Technical Focus

Provides technical support in the area of assessment, implementation and analysis of nutrition and food systems policies; and contributes to the delivery of FAO's policy and programmes on nutrition and food systems for healthy diets, employment generation and rural development.

### Key Results

Research and analysis of information, data and statistics, and the maintenance and updating of related tools, methodologies, and/or databases to support the delivery of programme products, projects, publications, and services.

### Key Functions

- Researches and analyses [agricultural, economic, trade, market, social, environmental, nutrition/food composition and/or gender related] data, statistics and information to provide technical, statistical and/or policy related information and analysis to support the delivery of economic and social development programmes work, products, projects, publications and services.
- Produces a variety of technical reports and input for technical documents, Departmental publications and/or web pages.
- Provides technical, statistical, and/or analytical services on various studies, projects, and/or assessments and provides technical backstopping to field projects.
- Participates in the development of improved/updated technical, statistical and/or analytical tools, methodologies, systems, databases, and/or key social/ economic/ environmental/ nutritional and/or early warning indicators, etc.
- Participates on multi-disciplinary teams, collaborates with other departments and agencies on work groups and committees and promotes best practices.
- Collaborates in capacity development activities involving the planning and organizing of training workshops, seminars, and major meetings and the preparation of related information, materials, on-line tools and information kits.
- Promotes knowledge sharing and best practices at international meetings and conferences and influences partners in stakeholder consultations.
- Participates in resource mobilization activities.

## Specific Functions

- Supports the design and development of nutrition-focused and SDG-aligned national food systems policies, programmes and strategies, working through FAO delivery mechanisms.
- Supports countries in the assessment, implementation and evaluation of nutrition and food systems policies, programmes and strategies.
- Provides technical support to the development of food systems typologies, tools, indicators, databases, and methodologies to support the delivery of FAO's policy and programmatic work on nutrition and food systems.
- Promotes gender-sensitive and inclusive strategies and actions to support small-scale producers' and other value-chain actors' access to markets and post-harvest technologies for improved nutrition and enhanced incomes, including the poor.
- Provides support to countries in conducting policy, economic and technical analysis and interventions for inclusive and sustainable food value chains and market systems to identify opportunities for enhanced nutrition and poverty reduction outcomes.
- Builds and strengthens capacities of governments and development partners for effective management of food systems through development of inclusive and multi-sectoral platforms and inter-sectoral coordination.

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## CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

### Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in Nutrition, Food science and technology, Public health, Agricultural economics, or a related field
- Five years of relevant experience in integrating nutrition into agricultural policies and programmes in developing countries
- 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 experience and knowledge of nutrition and/or food systems policy and programme initiatives
- Extent and relevance of experience in formulating project proposals and building capacity on nutrition-sensitive agriculture and food systems
- Depth of familiarity with FAO's partner institutions (UN, NGOs, donors) is considered a strong asset
- Demonstrated analytical skills and ability to prepare publications, technical reports and other relevant materials
- Demonstrated ability to analyze complex nutrition-related issues

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

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## 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 recognized 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.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: [iRecruitment@fao.org](mailto:iRecruitment@fao.org)

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