



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: IRC5702

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Deadline For Application: 3 October 2018

Position Title:	Senior Forestry Officer (Team Leader, FAO-EU FLEGT)	Grade Level:	P-5
Organizational Unit:	Forest Policy and Resources Division, FOA	Duty Station:	Italy, Rome
		Duration *:	Fixed term: two years (with possibility of extension)
		Post Number:	2001816
		CCOG Code:	1H06

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 Forest Policy and Resources Division leads FAO's work in promoting sustainable forest management and providing leadership on the environmental, social and economic dimensions of forestry, including its contributions to poverty reduction and food security and nutrition. It liaises with member countries, civil society and the private sector in aspects ranging from development of effective forest policies to forest conservation and management issues, and strengthens the role of forests in climate change mitigation and adaptation. The Division also collects, analyses and disseminates information on the world's forest resources and on the production, trade and consumption of wood and non-wood forest products.

The FAO-EU Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT) Programme (<http://www.fao.org/in-action/forests/eu-flegt-programme/en/>) is located in the Forestry Policy and Resources Division. The objective of this multidonor programme is to support forest stakeholders in Africa, Asia and Latin America in addressing their most relevant and locally defined FLEGT issues/challenges through small grants and technical support.

Reporting Lines

The Senior Forestry Officer reports to the Deputy Director, FOA.

Technical Focus

Development of strategies and implementation of initiatives that support stakeholders to strengthen forest governance and other FLEGT-related actions in eligible countries.

Key Results

Leadership and technical policy expertise for the planning, development and implementation of departmental/division programmes of work, projects, products, services in accordance with departmental and FAO Strategic Objectives.

Key Functions

- Plans, manages, or leads highly specialized or multidisciplinary teams; leads, coordinates and/or participates on Organization-wide cross-departmental committees, project teams, and working groups; and/or provides technical leadership/secretariat services on technical networks and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies;
- Analyses global and country specific requirements and relevant technical issues to provide critical input into the FAO Strategic Objectives, programme of work, work plans and the supporting budgets and/or resourcing strategies;
- Implements and monitors programmes of work involving the development of the approach, evidence-based strategies, and related tools, methodologies and the supporting system/database, monitoring and reporting frameworks;
- Conducts, designs and oversees research and analysis activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovation, technical reports, publications and/or ongoing programme development, as well as the provision of technical and/or policy advisory services;
- Provides technical and policy advice to Member Countries and technical support to decentralized offices in the development and implementation of their programmes;
- Leads and/or collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality/effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities within member countries such as policy support, organizational development and individual learning events, including preparation of related information, learning, online tools.

- Represents the Organization at international meetings and conferences, identifies and implements strategic partnerships, advocates best practices and increased policy dialogue and develops and negotiates effective working relationships/consensus and agreements with international and national stakeholders;
- Leads and/or participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

Specific Functions

- Leads the implementation and further development of the FAO-EU FLEGT Programme within the framework of Forestry's contributions to FAO's Strategic Programme 4 on enabling inclusive and efficient agricultural and food systems;
- Manages and monitors all aspects of the Programme including supervision of and strategic guidance to a global team of technical staff and consultants, budget management and resource mobilization, as well as donor reporting;
- Builds effective partnerships with organizations and initiatives that contribute to objectives of the EU FLEGT Action Plan, represents the Programme in relevant international fora, and develops innovative methods to improve forest sector governance;
- Liaises with the Programme donors to ensure a common understanding of the overall programme objectives, implementation methodology and expected results;
- Serves as secretariat to the Programme Steering Committee, including regular reporting on progress and annual work planning;
- Communicates and liaises with FAO Representations, EU Delegations, Heads of Forestry Agencies and other relevant institutions in partner countries as well as with other units within FAO, to ensure provision of appropriate technical support services and build synergies in areas of common objectives;
- Oversees and manages the visibility and outreach component of the Programme in collaboration with relevant internal departments and regional, subregional and country offices of FAO, including development of technical publications, videos and other outreach material;
- Performs other duties as required.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in forestry, forest economics, natural resources management or related field;
- Ten years of relevant experience in forestry development, including forest governance and project management;
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two.

Competencies

- Results Focus;
- Leading, Engaging and Empowering Others;
- Communication;
- Partnering and Advocating;
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement;
- Strategic Thinking.

Technical/Functional Skills

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is essential;
- Extent and relevance of working experience in different countries and regions, especially in developing countries and countries in transition;
- Extent of technical knowledge of forest policy, governance and forest production;
- Extent of experience in developing and implementing development projects or programmes related to forest governance and forest production;
- Demonstrated results-based management capabilities with an ability to manage programmes, budgets and human resources efficiently under shifting priorities;
- Demonstrated ability to mobilize financial resources;
- Working knowledge of English including experience in preparing technical reports and papers is considered a strong asset.

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
- 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 two 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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