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POSITION TITLE:	Natural Resources Officer (Climate Change)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Rome, Italy
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Climate, Energy and Tenure Division, NRC Natural Resources Management and Environment Department, NR	DURATION *:	Fixed-term: 1 year (renewable)
		POST NUMBER:	unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1R

* 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 function is located in the Climate, Energy and Tenure Division (NRC). NRC assists member countries in their responses towards the challenge of climate change, including the adaptation and mitigation of climate change, as well as the development of adaptive capacities of agriculture, fisheries and forestry to the effects of climate change. It provides a coordination role on climate change and related climate smart agriculture issues. The Division also serves as the focal point for a multidisciplinary and global approach to bioenergy as well as undertaking work and providing support and guidance on tenure issues. The function forms part of the project "Integrating Agriculture in National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)", operated jointly with UNDP.

Reporting Lines

The Natural Resources Officer, Climate Change, reports directly to the Senior Natural Resources Officer, NRC.

Technical Focus

Climate change adaptation in the agriculture sectors, in particular on National Adaptation Plans (NAPs); international climate change engagement in the context of the UNFCCC process; and building international collaboration and partnerships to enhance adaptation action in developing countries.

Key Results

Result-based implementation of the project Integrating Agriculture in National Adaptation Plans (NAPs).

Key Functions

- Designs and conducts research, data collection, validation, analysis and/or reporting activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovative approaches and strategies, new tools, technologies, technical reports/publications, and/or policy proposals as well as the provision of technical/policy/ specialist/advice and expertise as far as within the scope of the project
- Responds to country requests for technical and policy assistance, provides technical advice, assistance and solutions to Decentralized Offices as far as within the scope of the project.
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality / effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities as related to the project activities.
- Promotes international cooperation/advocates best practices, increased policy dialogue and provides technical expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings as appropriate and relevant to the project.
- Undertakes the overall supervision and management for the implementation of the FAO project "Integrating Agriculture in National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)" and coordinate with UNDP.
- Coordinates and provide support to the country implementation activities under the project;
- Coordinates, prepare and/or contribute to the development of technical documents, papers, etc., including the Agricultural Supplement to the NAPs Guidelines of the Least Developed Country Expert Group (LEG);
- Plans, organizes and participates in awareness, outreach and communication activities under the project in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, partners and other entities;
- Is responsible for the planning, budgeting and reporting requirements of the project;
- Supports FAO's engagement in the UNFCCC and related international processes including COP 21 follow-up and preparations for COP 22 and beyond, with particular emphasis on adaptation strategies and planning;
- Conducts advocacy and build efficient relationships and partnerships with key international stakeholders including UNFCCC, Least Developed Country Expert Group (LEG), Adaptation Committee (AC), the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and the Green Climate Fund (GCF);
- Conducts resource mobilization activities to broaden scope and outreach of this project and FAO's global and country support on climate change, adaptation and National Adaptation Plans (NAPs).

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in natural resources, agricultural sciences, agricultural economics, or related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in agriculture and/or climate change related issues for developing countries including a minimum of two years of relevant experience with climate change adaptation in agriculture
- 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 or knowledge of issues related to climate change and agriculture in developing countries and in particular in relation to climate change adaptation
- Extent and relevance of knowledge and understanding of the UNFCCC and related bodies/mechanisms and in particular with regards to adaptation and National Adaptation Plans (NAPs)
- Extent and relevance of experience in the implementation of projects/programmes and in providing technical assistance/support to developing countries in the field of climate change
- Extent and relevance of experience in the formulation of development/investment projects related to climate change and the ability to mobilize resources
- Extent and relevance of building effective partnerships with and between countries (South-South) and with agencies
- Extent and relevance of experience in project management, including planning, budgeting and reporting
- Extent and relevance of experience in capacity development activities
- Extent and relevance of experience in the preparation of technical and policy reports, guidelines and manuals in the field of climate change and agriculture

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.

REMUNERATION

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HOW TO APPLY

For guidelines to applicants, please visit the Application Toolkit at: <http://www.fao.org/employment/vacancies/project/en/>

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