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Deadline For Application: 30 NOVEMBER 2014

POSITION TITLE:	Economist (Water Scarcity Initiative)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-2
		DUTY STATION:	Cairo, Egypt
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Regional Office for the Near East and North Africa RNE	DURATION *:	Fixed term until 31/12/2016
		POST CODE/N°:	
		CCOG CODE:	1.E.2

Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged
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.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall guidance of the Assistant Director General/Regional Representative (RNE) and the Water Scarcity Initiative Delivery Manager and the direct supervision and guidance of the Project Manager/Chief Technical Adviser and in close collaboration with the Water Scarcity Initiative Delivery Team, the Economist will contribute to the implementation of the project "Support Cooperation on Water Resource Management in the Lower Mesopotamia (Tigris and Euphrates basin in Iran, Iraq and Syria)". In particular, the incumbent will:

- Assist with the coordination of the different activities of the project, in particular the establishment of hydroeconomic modelling for the lower Mesopotamia region and its sub-basins, including hydrologic and environmental risk assessment", and monitor delivery of results;
- Analyze relevant agricultural, economic and social related data, statistics and information for input in various documents participate in the preparation and revision of technical documents in accordance with standards and requirements ;
- Contribute to the formulation and implementation of ground projects and to assess the socio-economic impact of the introduced interventions;
- Support the coordination of and serve as a resource person at the different training programmes, workshops and expert meetings of the project;
- Perform any other duties as required

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in agriculture economics and/or water resources management
- Three years of relevant experience in the field of agricultural water management in one or more of the following areas: water economics and development programs in water management, economics policy and institutions, agricultural water economics issues
- Working knowledge of English

Selection criteria

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable
- Extent and relevance of academic qualifications
- Extent and relevance of experience in reviewing and analyzing issues related to development of agricultural water economics and extent of knowledge of different water issues in the Near East and North Africa Region and in Lower Mesopotamia specifically including experience in watershed modelling and integrated economic modelling;
- Good knowledge of statistical software (SPSS, Stata, SAS, R-Project) and familiarity with mathematic modelling software. knowledge on FAO software (CROPWAT, AQUACROP, MASCOTTE) is considered an asset
- Demonstrated ability for analytical work related to agricultural water economics
- Excellent communication skills both orally and in writing
- Limited knowledge of Arabic is desirable

Please note that all candidates should possess computer/word processing skills and should be capable of working with people of different national and cultural backgrounds.

* The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

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TO APPLY:

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

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