



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

## Vacancy Announcement No: IRC3815

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**Deadline For Application:** 23 February 2017

<b>Position Title:</b>	Livestock Policy Officer (Operations Manager, Global Agenda For Sustainable Livestock)	<b>Grade Level:</b>	P-4
<b>Organizational Unit:</b>	Livestock Information, sector Analysis and Policy Branch, AGAL	<b>Duty Station:</b>	Italy, Rome
		<b>Duration *:</b>	Fixed term, 1 year
		<b>Post Number:</b>	2006183
		<b>CCOG Code:</b>	1H01

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 Animal Production and Health Division (AGA) promotes and facilitates the sustainable development of the livestock sector, integrating scientific and technical expertise and policy advice. It hosts technical networks in areas of animal health, genetics, feed and animal husbandry and provides analysis, policy dialogue (incl. intergovernmental bodies) and technical assistance. It also supports emergency responses, mostly in animal health. The post is located in the Livestock Information, Sector Analysis and Policy Branch (AGAL). AGAL provides livestock sector analysis with a particular focus on poverty reduction, climate change and resource use, and on animal health issues, also in relation to environmental and human health. It provides policy support and guidance to countries and stakeholders in the livestock sector, and facilitates policy dialogue among stakeholders.

### Reporting Lines

The Livestock Policy Officer reports to the Chief, Livestock Information, Sector Analysis and Policy Branch

### Technical Focus

The Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock (the Global Agenda) aims to become a key implementation mechanism of the UN Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development, and its important role for productivity improvements, as well as its significant potential for more cross-sectoral approaches, have been identified in FAO's Common Vision for Sustainable Food and Agriculture. In order to achieve this goal some of the main challenges ahead include: provision and development of a governance mechanism for an effective global policy dialogue on sustainable livestock; boosting the resource mobilization to strengthen the capacity of the Global Agenda to fully operationalize its objectives in promoting the analysis, development, transfer and dissemination of policy recommendations, and technologies to improve livestock sustainability; provision of stakeholders with the necessary support to adequately participate in the Multi-stakeholder Partnership (MSP) process; promotion of North-South, South-South and triangular regional and international cooperation on access and sharing knowledge; improvement of the coordination among similar existing mechanisms, in particular at the international level.

### Key Results

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, development and implementation of Departmental/Division programmes, projects, products and services in accordance with Departmental/Division objectives and FAO Strategic Objectives.

### Key Functions

- Plans and leads components of multi-disciplinary teams, leads and/or participates on Organization-wide, cross-Departmental committees, project teams, and working groups and/or provides specialized expertise on technical networks and/or international technical policy and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies.
- Develops technical, analytical, monitoring and reporting frameworks, and related methodologies, tools, systems and databases etc. to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of programmes of work, projects, products and/or services.
- 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.
- Responds to country requests for technical and policy assistance, provides technical advice, assistance and solutions to Decentralized Offices and provides technical backstopping to field projects, including on synergies between livestock, crops and aquaculture that result in overall enhancement of resource use efficiency.
- 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 materials, on-line tools.

- Promotes international cooperation/advocates best practices, increased policy dialogue and provides technical expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings. Participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy

### Specific Functions

- Provides and coordinate operational support to the functioning of The Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock and its constituent parts (chair, guiding group, clusters and action networks), including liaison with partners and FAO units.
- Coordinates the development and use of information and communication tools to support knowledge sharing, policy dialogue and joint stakeholder activities.
- Coordinates reporting and documentation of the Global Agenda activities.

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## CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

### Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in veterinary, agricultural, environmental or biological science.
- Seven years of relevant experience in livestock sector analysis and policy development, including sustainability assessments and experience with multi-stakeholder initiatives.
- 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 in livestock sector analysis and policy development, including sustainability assessments.
- Extent of experience with multi-stakeholder initiatives.

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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 recognised 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 2 years
- 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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