



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No. IRC5614 Deadline for Applications: 25 July 2018

Title	Deputy Director, Nutrition and Food Systems Division (ESN)
Grade	D-1
Number	2002354
Duty Station Location	Rome, Italy

Summary of Duties and Functions

FAO's Nutrition and Food Systems Division assists Member Countries to improve diets and raise levels of nutrition, by providing support to strategic frameworks, appropriate policies, and methodologies at global, regional and national levels for improving the efficiency and inclusiveness of food and agricultural systems. The Division, as a knowledge leader and provider of global public goods, works closely with the FAO decentralized teams in fostering a food systems approach to improving nutrition across all segments of the populations. Areas covered include dietary assessments and food composition, support on nutrition-sensitive food and agriculture policies and programmes, effective nutrition promotion programmes, food value chains, market linkages, post-harvest management and agro-processing. FAO is committed to support Member States in their efforts to improve nutritional outcomes through food systems policies and programmes as stated in the Rome Declaration on Nutrition (November 2014) and to mainstream nutrition into FAO's strategic objectives.

Under the overall guidance of the Director, Nutrition and Food Systems Division (ESN), and as part of the ES Department Management Team, the Deputy Director will assist with the day-to-day management of the Division. He/she will support the Director in providing strategic, managerial and technical leadership for the work of ESN especially in the policy areas of food systems and nutrition and facilitate the management of departmental, inter-departmental and corporate activities. In particular, the incumbent will:

- assist the Director in strategic planning, development and implementation of the Division's contribution to FAO's Strategic Framework and Strategic Objectives and the management of human and financial resources, and serve as Officer-in-Charge in the absence of the Director;
- on the basis of analysis of global and country specific requirements and context, provide critical input into the FAO Strategic Framework, Programme of Work as well as Detailed Work Plans, and support budgets and resources strategies;
- assist the Director in providing overall guidance and technical quality assurance for the Division's work on nutrition and food systems, and in the provision of related policy support and technical advice to FAO Members and to decentralized offices in the development and implementation of their programmes of work including in the area of food and nutrition policy;
- act as a focal point for the Division's work on food and nutrition policy;
- maintain a motivated and effective workforce by supporting the recruitment of highly qualified staff, mentoring, coaching and supporting career development of staff and by implementing effective approaches for performance management;
- represent the Organization at international and inter-governmental conferences including high level meetings and fora, advocate strategic partnerships, best practices, and increased policy dialogue, and develop and negotiate effective working relationships and agreements with international and national partners;
- support the development and implementation of strategic partnerships and promote collaborative work, including joint reports and publications, in the Division's areas of competence;
- mobilize extra-budgetary resources for work in priority areas through FAO's Resource Mobilization and Management Strategy.

General Requirements

- Advanced University degree (Ph.D. or equivalent preferred but not required) in nutrition, agricultural economics or economics (with focus on nutrition) or a related field. Additional qualifications related to food systems analysis would be an asset;
- Demonstrated technical leadership and experience in food systems and nutrition policy issues with particular emphasis on issues of concern to developing countries, and a relevant publication record;
- Extensive professional experience in planning, organizing and coordinating interdisciplinary work programmes relevant to the areas of work of the Division, and in management and provision of budgetary oversight for programme delivery;
- International experience in providing food and nutrition policy advice to high-level decision-makers, including in intergovernmental settings and/or multi-sectoral food and nutrition programmes in the field;
- Analytical skills and ability to express and synthesize ideas clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing, and demonstrated communication skills; experience in managing, preparing and editing publications and reports;
- Experience in resource mobilization, including coordinating project proposals for funding and interacting with donors and funding agencies;
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and a limited knowledge of one of the other two, or Arabic, Chinese or Russian.

Leadership Competencies

Results focus: Takes accountability for the delivery of agreed results in service of FAO's strategic framework - **Leading, engaging and empowering others:** Coordinates, directs, facilitates and recognizes team efforts; creates an enabling environment and assists others to realize and develop their potential - **Communication:** Encourages and contributes to clear and open communication - **Partnering and Advocating:** Promotes ideas and develops partnerships to advance the Organization's work - **Knowledge sharing and continuous improvement:** Continually seeks to improve the knowledge, skills and work processes of oneself and others - **Strategic thinking:** Makes informed and coherent decisions aligned with broader goals and strategies.

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

Remuneration

FAO adheres to the UN common system of salaries, allowances and benefits. General information regarding salaries and allowances can be found at the International Civil Service Commission Web site: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/salaries_allowances/salary.htm.

How to Apply

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