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Deadline For Application: 10 January 2014

POSITION TITLE:	<b>Junior Professional Officer (Food Losses)</b>	GRADE LEVEL:	<b>P-1</b>
		DUTY STATION:	<b>Rome, Italy</b>
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	<b>Rural Infrastructure and Agro-Industries Division, AGS Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, AG</b>	DURATION *:	<b>Fixed Term: 2 years</b>
		POST CODE/N°:	<b>unidentified</b>
		CCOG CODE:	<b>1.H.01</b>

**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 Director, AGS, and the direct supervision of the Group Leader, Agro-Food Industry Group, the incumbent will contribute to the design and implementation of Regular Programme and field activities in the area of agro-food systems, particularly on the subject of food losses in member countries. In particular, the incumbent will:

- assist in the assessments of post-harvest food losses in developing countries;
- contribute to the organisation and implementation of capacity development activities related to reduction of food losses and waste in member countries;
- support and, as appropriate, respond to non-complex technical enquiries and needs related to addressing food losses as expressed by member countries;
- participate in field missions in support of food loss and waste reduction in developing and transitional member countries;
- carry out background research and/or provide technical inputs as appropriate for preparation of guidelines, publications and awareness raising materials on food losses and waste;
- promote awareness of the importance of food losses and waste including collaboration with other agencies, member countries and development partners;
- perform other related duties as required.

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree in food technology, food science, post-harvest technology, agricultural economics or related fields
- One year of relevant experience in food losses, postharvest management, or agro-food systems
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese or Russian

#### SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Relevance of experience in agribusiness, agro-industries, and/or food systems particularly in the context of developing countries. Knowledge and/or experience in agri-food technologies and food loss and waste issues is an asset
- Ability to plan and organize own work, deliver results and meet deadlines
- Ability to work effectively within a team, supporting others, and fostering a positive team environment
- Commitment to continual improvement of knowledge, skills and abilities
- Excellent oral and written communication skills

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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and complete the on-line application

In order for your candidature to be properly evaluated, please ensure to complete the on-line application in all sections.

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