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Deadline For Application: 10 April 2015

Position Title: Natural Resources Officer (Energy) GRADE LEVEL: P-3

DUTY STATION: Rome, Italy

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: Climate, Energy and Tenure Division (NRC)

DURATION: Fixed-term: 2 years

Post Number: 0104396

CCOG CODE: 1R

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 Climate, Energy and Tenure Division assists member countries in their responses towards the challenge of climate change, including the 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 energy as well as undertaking work and providing support and guidance on tenure issues.

The post is located in the Climate, Energy and Tenure Division (NRC).

Reporting Lines

The Natural Resources Officer reports to the Senior Natural Resources Officer (Energy).

Technical Focus

The Natural Resources Officer will work on energy for and from the agrifood chain, with an emphasis on bioenergy.

Key Results

Research, technical analysis, and project related services to support the delivery of programme projects, products, and services.

Key Functions

- Researches and analyzes technical, social, economic, environmental, institutional, and technology related information, data and statistics and/or related policy issues to support the delivery of programme projects, products and services;
- Produces a variety of technical information, data, statistics and reports as well as input for technical documents and web pages;
- Provides technical support/analysis to various assessments, studies and initiatives and provides technical backstopping to field projects;
- Collaborates in the development of improved/updated tools, systems, processes, and databases;
- Participates on multi-disciplinary teams, and/or leads working groups/teams collaborates with other departments and agencies on work groups and committees and promotes best practices;
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality / effectiveness of capacity development 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 knowledge sharing and best practices at international meetings and conferences and influences partners in stakeholder consultations;
- Supports resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

Specific Functions

- Provides support to and/or coordination of the sustainable bioenergy capacity development programme;
- Contributes to the improvement and dissemination of the different elements of FAO's work on bioenergy, and in particular the Bioenergy and Food Security Approach;
- Contributes to FAO's work on energy for and from agrifood chains, in particular the Water-Energy-Food nexus.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- · Advanced university degree in energy/bioenergy, natural resources, energy engineering, agriculture or a related field
- Five years of relevant experience in renewable energy, in particular bioenergy, possibly in relation to agrifood chains and/or rural development
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

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

- 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 and knowledge in renewable energy, in particular bioenergy, possibly in relation to agrifood chains, rural development and capacity building
- · Depth of familiarity with issues related to bioenergy development, including training on bioenergy assessments
- Extent and relevance of experience in capacity building programmes and formulation of projects regarding sustainability improvement in relation to the energy for and from agrifood chains
- Ability to analyse complex agrifood chains and natural resources management issues from an energy point of view

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.
- Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which will be followed by a competency-based interview.
- 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.

REMUNERATION

A competitive compensation and benefits package is offered. For information on UN salaries, allowances and benefits, click on the following link: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/salaries allowances/salary.htm

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

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