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Appointment of the Deputy Director-General (Operations)

Curriculum Vitae of Mr Daniel J. Gustafson

Executive Summary

Pursuant to Rule XL.1 of the General Rules of the Organization, and following the publication of Vacancy Announcement No. DDO/267/12 on 25 September 2012 for the post of Deputy Director-General for Operations, the Director-General has selected Mr Daniel J. Gustafson as the most suitable candidate for the position.

The curriculum vitae of Mr Daniel J. Gustafson is enclosed.

Suggested action by the Council

The Council is invited to confirm this appointment.

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Curriculum Vitae

Daniel Gustafson, a US citizen, holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics and International Relations and an Master of Sciences in Agricultural Economics, both from the University of Wisconsin and a Ph.D in agricultural extension from the University of Maryland. He started his career at the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA). He was based in Brazil from 1977-1988, working in support of Brazil's agricultural research and extension programmes. He moved to the University of Maryland in 1988 where he worked in the International Development Management Centre, linked to the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service, as Programme Director, responsible for developing and implementing project activities, institutional development and policy implementation in agriculture and natural resources.

He joined FAO in 1994, working on a project based in the National Department of Rural Development and Extension in the Ministry of Agriculture in Maputo, Mozambique. He was appointed FAO Country representative in Kenya in 1998, which also included responsibility for FAO's programmes in Somalia, and FAO's Country Representative in India an Bhutan in 2002. From December 2007, he was Director of FAO's Liaison office for the US and Canada, based in Washington D.C. The Liaison Office facilitates communication and cooperation between FAO and the Governments of Canada and the United States, and between FAO and the World Bank and other international and inter-American organizations based in Washington, and with universities, civil society and the private sector.

In February 2012, he was appointed Director of FAO's Office of Support to Decentralization (OSD), based at FAO headquarters in Rome, Italy. Since then, he has led the Organization's ongoing efforts to strengthen FAO's country and regional offices, with a particular emphasis on the leadership of FAO's country offices. More broadly, he has supported the decentralization-related aspects of FAO's ongoing transformative process. In addition to his leadership of OSD Division, in October 2012, he was temporarily appointed Officer-in-Charge of the Corporate Services, Human Resources and Finance Department.