

## **Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations**

# PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N°: IRC2662

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Deadline For Application: 9 December 2014

POSITION TITLE: Forestry Officer (Wildlife and protected

**Area Management)** 

DUTY STATION: Rome, Italy

GRADE LEVEL: P4

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT: Forest Assessment Management and

Conservation Division (FOM)
Forestry Department (FO)

DURATION \*: Fixed term : two years

POST NUMBER: 0122009 CCOG CODE: 1.H.06

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 Forest Assessment, Management and Conservation Division provides services to member countries on matters relating to the forest assessment, development, management, conservation, restoration and protection of forests, trees, water, mountains, biodiversity, wildlife and related natural resources as well as for providing a neutral forum for the discussion of such topics. Other topics of interest for the Division are agroforestry, urban forestry, and forests and climate change, including Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+).

This position is located in the Forest Assessment, Management and Conservation Division (FOM) in the Forestry Department.

# **Reporting Lines**

The Forestry Officer reports to the Senior Forestry Officer/Team Leader, Forest Resources Management Team

#### **Technical Focus**

Planning, developing, implementing and technically supporting programmes and activities in the field of conservation and sustainable management of wildlife, and protected area management.

### **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;
- 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**

- Supervises and implements normative activities in conservation and sustainable management of wildlife, and protected area management;
- Promotes and advises member countries on policies, strategies and methods of conservation and sustainable management
  of wildlife, and protected area management, including the use of participatory methods for better contribution of wildlife
  conservation and management to rural development, livelihood improvement and food security;
- Collaborates with other divisions concerned in related technical fields and support collaborative inter-agency activities in above areas, including servicing the Collaborative Partnership on Sustainable Wildlife Management;
- Serves as the Forestry Department focal point for biodiversity related to wildlife including i.e. participation in interdepartmental activities and programmes, and participation in FAO's contribution to international agreements in these areas.

#### Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in Forestry, Biology or related discipline with specialization or a post-graduate degree in protected areas and wildlife conservation and management
- Seven years of relevant experience in in forestry, wildlife conservation and management, and protected area management
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of or 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 wildlife conservation and management and protected area management
- Extent and relevance of experience in developing countries and knowledge of global issues, international initiatives and agreements related to conservation and sustainable management of forests and biodiversity
- Working knowledge of other official languages would be an asset

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, visit the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) website: <a href="http://icsc.un.org/rootindex.asp">http://icsc.un.org/rootindex.asp</a></a>

# **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website at <a href="http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/">http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/</a> 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: <a href="mailto:iRecruitment@fao.org">iRecruitment@fao.org</a>

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