

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

# **Vacancy Announcement No:**

Issued on: Deadline For Application:

Position Title: Junior Professional Officer (Agricultural

**Economist)** 

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Duty Station: Algiers, Algeria
Organizational Unit:
Duration \*: Fixed-term, 2 ye

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of extension

Post Number:

Grade Level:

**CCOG Code:** 

- · FAO is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality, background and culture
- · Qualified female applicants, qualified nationals of non-and under-represented Members and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply
- · Everyone who works for FAO is required to adhere to the highest standards of integrity and professional conduct, and to uphold FAO's values
- FAO, as a Specialized Agency of the United Nations, has a zero-tolerance policy for conduct that is incompatible with its status, objectives and mandate, including sexual exploitation and abuse, sexual harassment, abuse of authority and discrimination
- · All selected candidates will undergo rigorous reference and background checks
- All applications will be treated with the strictest confidentiality
- FAO staff are subject to the authority of the Director-General, who may assign them to any of the activities or offices of the Organization.

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) contributes to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda through the FAO Strategic Framework by supporting the transformation to MORE efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agrifood systems, for better production, better nutrition, a better environment, and a better life, leaving no one behind.

## **Organizational Setting**

The main aim of the FAO country offices, which are headed by an FAO Representative, is to assist the government to develop policies, programmes and projects, to achieve food security and to reduce hunger and malnutrition, to develop the agricultural, fisheries and forestry sectors and to use their environmental and natural resources in a sustainable manner. The FAO Representation in Algeria is entrusted with the responsibility for the development, promotion, oversight and implementation of programmes and strategies, in close collaboration with the Government. These initiatives encompass the vital domains of food, agriculture and rural development.

FAO recognizes the pivotal role of South-South cooperation in fostering sustainable development. South-South cooperation entails collaboration and knowledge-sharing among countries of the Global South, facilitating the exchange of expertise, resources and solutions to address common challenges.

The post is located in the FAO Representation in Algiers, Algeria.

#### **Reporting Lines**

The Junior Professional Officer (Agricultural Economist) reports to the FAO Representative in Algeria.

## **Technical Focus**

The Junior Professional Officer (Agricultural Economist) will engage in South-South cooperation initiatives, leveraging his/her expertise to support the region's agricultural development, food security and resilience efforts. His/her contributions will be integral to FAO's mission of achieving inclusive and sustainable agrifood systems in Algeria and neighboring nations.

## **Key Results**

Collection and analysis of information, data and statistics and project/meeting services to support programme projects, products and services.

#### **Key Functions**

- Collects and analyses relevant technical, social, economic, environmental, institutional and technology related information, data and/or statistics to support the delivery of programme projects as well as products and services;
- Undertakes analysis, provides technical input for plans and reports and edits/revises technical/scientific documents;
- Participates in the development of improved work methods, tools and systems;
- Updates databases and web pages;
- Participates in multidisciplinary project/work teams;
- Collaborates in the development of training tools and materials and the organization of workshops/seminars, etc.; and

<sup>\*</sup>The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

• Participates in the organization, conduct and follow-up of meetings, consultations and conferences, the development/production of required materials and the provision of information and assistance to partners.

### **Specific Functions**

- Supports the work with stakeholders to identify vulnerable populations and regions within Algeria and neighbouring countries:
- Contributes producing data and analysis to pinpoint areas where food security is at risk;
- Collaborates with regional partners to propose strategies for improving food security, in particular addressing the unique challenges and opportunities identified within the South-South cooperation framework;
- Supports partnerships with stakeholders to analyse market dynamics within regional agricultural value chains, including
  examining price fluctuations, market access barriers and consumer preferences within Algeria and neighbouring
  countries;
- Provides insights and recommendations for the region to improve its position within these regional value chains, identifying opportunities for value addition and quality improvement;
- Supports to identify key stakeholders within Algeria and neighbouring countries engaged in agriculture, climate change
  and sustainable development, including government agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), research
  institutions and private sector actors;
- Supports developing a strategic engagement plan in coordination with the agricultural stockholders to outline the
  objectives, scope and potential benefits of South-South cooperation within the context of food security, value chains and
  sustainability;
- Assists in mobilizing resources for South-South cooperation initiatives, exploring funding opportunities from international donors and organizations to support collaborative projects and research efforts;
- Performs any other related duties as required.

## CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

### **Minimum Requirements**

- Advanced university degree in relevant area such as agricultural economics, economics, agribusiness or a closely related field.
- Three years of relevant experience in agricultural economics/food security analysis.
- Working knowledge (proficient level C) of French and limited knowledge (intermediate level B) of English.

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.
- Work experience in market analysis, value chain assessment and identifying opportunities for agricultural development.
- Extent and relevance of experience in quantitative analysis, statistical tools and economic modeling.
- Extent and relevance of knowledge in project management and resource mobilization for development initiatives.
- Extent and relevance of experience in the preparation, editing and revision of technical/scientific documents and in organizing meetings and workshops.
- Extent and relevance of experience in establishing and maintaining partnerships with UN agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) as well as donors and government institutions and agencies.
- Working knowledge (proficient level C) of English 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.