



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Deadline For Application:

POSITION TITLE:	Junior Professional Officer (Climate Change and Climate Technologies)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-2
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Office of Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environment	DUTY STATION:	Rome
	OCB	DURATION *:	Fixed-term: 2 years with possibility of extension
		POST NUMBER:	
		CCOG CODE:	

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

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.

Organizational Setting

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.

The Office of Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environment (OCB) works to ensure that countries and stakeholders respond to the challenges of climate change, biodiversity loss, and environmental degradation, keeping food and agriculture sustainability high on the agenda. OCB contributes to all FAO aspirations, focusing on how the work for a better environment can contribute to better production, better nutrition and better livelihoods, while promoting the integration of multidisciplinary and innovative approaches in the activities of the Organization, for the sustainable use, management and conservation of natural resources for food and agriculture. OCB assists member countries in their responses towards the challenge of climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as the development of adaptive capacities of agriculture, fisheries and forestry for conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and other natural resources. It provides a coordination role on climate change, biodiversity and the environment. The Division also serves as a focal point to the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and Green Climate Fund (GCF), and providing support and guidance on Disaster and Risk Reduction issues. In addition, it works on support to the implementation of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and enabling member states to ensure mainstreaming of climate change concerns in agrifood policies, practices and approaches.

The post is located in FAO Headquarters, Rome, Italy.

Reporting Lines

The Junior Professional Officer (Climate Change and Climate Technologies) reports to the Senior Natural Resources Officer, in the Climate Change Workstream and the Gender Focal Point and works in close cooperation with relevant Officer(s) in the FAO Regional/Country Offices and/or FAO relevant Units.

Technical Focus

Under the ambition to reduce climate change impact and emissions, countries will need to pursue low carbon development through a series of cross disciplinary strategies including low carbon technologies, forest conservation, agroforestry, sustainable land management, ecosystems and livelihoods. Options to be developed will be country and case specific, allowing for countries to pick from a suite of zero and climate change technologies based on their needs and targets. The incumbent will focus of this area of work within the climate change team.

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 and institutional information, data and/or statistics to support the development and delivery of programme projects, 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 and maintains databases and web pages;
- Participates in multi-disciplinary project/work teams;

- Collaborates in the development of training tools and materials and the organization of workshops/seminars etc.;
- 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 development of new FAO data, methods, tools and services for climate and technology assessments used for policies, programs and investment projects;
- Supports FAO work relating to technical assistance and capacity building contributing to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change negotiations and non-party processes relevant to agriculture and food security, including processes under the constituted bodies such as the Technology and Financial Mechanisms;
- Assists in the provision of technical support for the design and the implementation of FAO's projects and programmes aimed at integrating climate change technologies into policies and climate action on the ground in a gender-sensitive and inclusive manner;
- Supports the coordination process of the FAO's Programme Priority Area (PPA) on Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation under *Better Environment* priority area and contributes to other PPAs and the Action Plans of FAO Strategies on Climate Change and on Innovation and Science;
- Supports partnerships with relevant international organizations, both inter-governmental, non-governmental, and the private sector.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in engineering (agriculture, mechanical, environmental or related) combined with elements of climate change, climate science, business or finance or a related field;
- Three years of relevant experience in analysing scientific and related policy questions, conducting research and writing reports, and project/programme management in the field of climate change mitigation and adaptation, review of technologies for climate change, or engineering design;
- Working knowledge (proficient - level C) of English and limited knowledge (intermediate - level B) of another official FAO language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Spanish or 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;
- Knowledge and experience in technical and policy matters related to climate change and climate technologies is required;
- Experience in the preparation, editing and revision of technical/scientific and policy documents and in organizing meetings and workshops is desirable;
- Experience in collecting, analysing and summarizing technical information and data;
- Familiarity with data analysis and web-publishing software is desirable.

Please note that all candidates should adhere to *FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency*.
