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Junior Professional Officer

Food Security and Resilience
Officer



FAO Uganda

Closing date: 8th April 2018

I General information

Title:	Food Security and Resilience Officer
Sector of Assignment:	Food Security, Climate Change and Adaptation
Country:	Uganda
Location (City):	Kampala
Agency:	Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO)
Duration of Assignment:	Initially one year with the possibility to extend up to a maximum total of 3 years
Grade:	P2 step 1 in the first year

Note : this post is opened in the context of the Junior Professional Officer (JPO) scheme sponsored by the Government of the Netherlands and is addressed exclusively to **PEOPLE WITH THE DUTCH NATIONALITY**. For criteria see the website of Nedworc Foundation:

<http://www.nedworcfoundation.nl/Index.htm?hoofdpath=/NL/JPO/General%20Information.htm&hoofdhash>

Please read the criteria and FAQ section carefully before considering applying

II Duties, responsibilities and Output Expectations

General

Support the formulation, implementation and monitoring of various projects within FAO's programme in Uganda with a focus on community resilience/livelihoods, climate change and adaptation.

1. Programme implementation

Summary of duties and expected output/tasks

- Contribute to the overall implementation of FAO's Country Programming Framework (CPF 2015-2019).
- Support the FAO office and projects in developing sustainable livelihoods security strategies and community resilience/livelihoods security technical approaches and strategies.
- Participate in capacity building initiatives and training in support of the FAO programme portfolio.
- Support assessments, research and documentation as required.
- Develop and sustain liaison with key professionals in the Government, UN Country Team and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) engaged in the field of food security.

2. Programme development and resource mobilization

<p>Summary of duties and expected output</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support fund raising activities through networking, proposal and concepts development (as necessary) for food security and community resilience/livelihoods interventions. • Assist in ensuring gender and land tenure considerations are mainstreamed in ongoing projects and during project formulation.
<p>3. Reporting and analysis</p> <p>Summary of duties and expected output</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist in the preparation and dissemination of timely analytical and critical reports, including proposals for improvements in operation and the scope of programmes. • Provide practical suggestions for replicating or introducing good practices, in terms of enabling different ways of working, overcoming implementation barriers, and policy opportunities and constraints. • Review available reports (including FAO's projects) and national strategies and documents on land, forests, water and crop use and management, conduct consultative meetings with key stakeholders and informants. • Contribute to draft information materials and prepare periodic reports on the progress of operational projects. • Perform any other duties relevant to this assignment.
<p>III Training component: Learning elements and expectations</p> <p>Upon completion of the assignment the JPO will have/ will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt a results-based approach to work. • Harness teamwork and individuals' competencies for effective programme implementation. • Communicate persuasively by tailoring messages to audience. • Build effective relationships with external stakeholders including the Government (line Ministries and local government), the UN Country Team in Uganda and other humanitarian actors. <p>The JPO training programme includes the following learning elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If useful or applicable, specify what and when during the 3 years • Training on project/programme cycle management and other thematic courses in the areas of food security, resilience and climate change and adaptation through online or in-person training provided by FAO or external courses. • The JPO position includes a Duty travel and training allowance (DTTA) of \$4000 per year which may be used for learning activities related to the assignment and career development.
<p>IV Supervision</p> <p>Title of supervisor: Deputy FAO Representative, Uganda</p> <p>Content and methodology of supervision</p> <p>Depending on the prior knowledge and experience of the JPO, assignments will be made in terms of objectives and priorities; guidance will be provided on FAO policies and administrative procedures; and work will be reviewed in terms of its contribution to the objectives of the programme. There is expected to be frequent informal contact between the JPO and the supervisor, with at least one informal review session conducted yearly, in addition to the annual, formal evaluation of the JPO's performance and achieved training/learning experience.</p>

V Required Qualifications and Experience

Education:

Master degree or equivalent in agricultural, environmental sciences, social sciences or a related field.

Working experience :

- Two to maximal 4 years relevant working experience, including internships and voluntary work.
- Extent and relevance of experience in programme/project analysis, formulation and implementation.
- Excellent communication and report writing skills in English.
- Demonstrated ability to work in a multicultural team, with strong interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrated ability to be a self-starter able to complete tasks within set deadlines.
- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable.
- Familiarity with the UN System, and FAO is particular, is desirable.

Languages : Excellent communication and report writing skills in English.

Key competencies

- Results Focus
- Team Work
- Communication
- Building effective relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement

VI Background information on Agency/Department/Section

FAO Uganda Country Office is responsible for developing, promoting, overseeing and implementing agreed strategies for addressing national food, agriculture and rural development priorities in accordance with FAO Strategic Objectives and the Country Programme Framework. It develops and maintains relations with national and local government and non-government stakeholders involved in these sectors. For more information see www.fao.org/Uganda

VII Information on living conditions at Duty Station

Kampala is a safe/secure environment with housing facilities, medical and social services readily available.

Kampala offers work opportunities for accompanying partners. Job fairs and formal and informal networking events are organized by local and international organizations on a regular basis. Uganda also has an entrepreneurial and start-up community offering work and partnership opportunities for enterprising individuals. FAO, however, does not facilitate work permits for accompanying partners other than necessary entry permits as dependent spouses of FAO staff. Accompanying partners who wish to work in Uganda will need to obtain a work permit from the Government of Uganda at their own expense.

VIII How to apply

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website <http://www.fao.org/employment/vacancies/associate-professional-officers/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

Applicants will receive acknowledgement of receipt of their submission

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted

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