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Agriculture Specialist

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Organizational Setting

The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) is a specialized agency of the United Nations that leads international efforts to defeat hunger. Our goal is to achieve food security for all and make sure that people have regular access to enough high-quality food to lead active, healthy lives. The organization supports countries, farmers' organizations, Regional Economics Communities (RECs) towards this objective.

Within the strategic priority "Promoting inclusive, competitive, sustainable and nutrition-sensitive food systems", the subregional office for West Africa (SFW) is working on the transition to sustainable crop production systems, increasing of agricultural productivity and resource use efficiency, promoting integrated pest management, conservation and management of the continuum soil-plant-atmosphere, enhancing resilience to climate change and improvement of livelihoods and governance.

The Agricultural Programme Coordinator will oversight the projects, programmes and initiatives of SFW Agricultural Unit and supports the development and delivery of products and services related to sustainable crop intensification, inputs access and affordability, good agricultural practices, soil nutrient efficiency use and integrated pest management.

Reporting Lines

The Agricultural specialist reports to the SFW Agricultural Officer, under the overall guidance of the FAO Sub Regional Coordinator for West Africa.

Technical Focus

Team leadership, technical expertise for the appropriate planning, development and implementation of the FAO projects and timely delivery of the project outputs and strategic capacity development.

Tasks and responsibilities

- Support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of field projects, products and/or services to enhance sustainable crop production systems, crop productivity, and sustainable crop protection;
- Provide support to address FAO country requests for technical assistance on seeds, fertilizers, and pesticides specifications
- Provides technical support/analysis to various assessments, studies and initiatives and provides technical backstopping to field projects.
- Supports capacity development activities in Member Countries involving the provision of advice, technical assistance projects, training workshops, seminars, and meetings as well as oversees the development of related materials, on-line tools and information kits.
- Support in programme development, meetings and conferences preparation and reporting
- Reports on progress against plans, agreed outputs, and challenges;

Candidates will be assessed against the following

Minimum Requirements

- Master degree in agronomy or a related field
- Five years of relevant experience in in crop production and protection, small scale family farming systems, innovative technologies, control of plant pests
- Working knowledge (level C) of French and limited knowledge (level B) of English.

FAO Core Competencies

- Results Focus
- Team work
- 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 in Africa is essential
- Extent and relevance of experience in developing and delivering programmes of work or projects related to sustainable plant production
- Extent and relevance of knowledge of the linkages between field, national and regional programs as a basis for community development for sustainable production systems;
- Demonstrated experience in collecting, analyzing and disseminating technical information and data.
- Experience in the preparation, editing and revision of technical/scientific documents and in organizing meetings and workshops.
- Extent and relevance of experience in managing and promoting multi-stakeholder initiatives and partnerships

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

Additional information

- FAO does not charge any fee at any stage of the recruitment process (application, interview, processing)
- Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognized in the IAU/UNESCO list
- Please note that FAO only considers higher educational qualifications obtained from an institution accredited/recognized in the
- World Higher Education Database (WHED), a list updated by the International Association of Universities (IAU) / United Nations
- Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). The list can be accessed at <http://www.whed.net/>

- For more information, visit the FAO employment website
- Appointment will be subject to certification that the candidate is medically fit for appointment, accreditation, any residency or visa requirements, and security clearances.

How to apply

- To apply, visit the recruitment website at Jobs at FAO and complete your online profile. We strongly recommend that your profile is accurate, complete and includes your employment records, academic qualifications, and language skills
- Candidates are requested to attach a letter of motivation to the online profile
- Once your profile is completed, please apply, and submit your application
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments and authorization to conduct verification checks of past and present work, character, education, military and police records to ascertain any and all information which may be pertinent to the employment qualifications
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