



FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization

Junior Professional Officer (JPO) Chiffre Nr. 2023-1-14

1. General Information

Job Title: JPO, Natural Resources and Climate Change Officer

Agency: FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization

Unit: Office of Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environment (OCB) Climate and Environment Division

Country and Duty Station: Rome, Italy

Duration of assignment: 2 years with possibility of extension for another year. The extension of appointment is subject to yearly review concerning priorities, availability of funds, and satisfactory performance.

Please note that for participants of the FAO JPO-Programme at least three years of work experience are mandatory! Relevant work experience can be counted. In order to assess the eligibility of the candidates, we review the relevant experience acquired after obtaining the first university degree (usually bachelor's degree).

2. Organizational Setting

This function is located in the **Office of Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environment (OCB)** and its NDC Enhancement Support Team (NEST). The office leads on the FAO Strategy on Climate Change 2022-2031, provides a coordination role in FAO, and promotes the integration of innovative approaches for sustainable use, management and conservation of natural resources in agrifood systems. The Office also serves as the focal point for a multidisciplinary and global approach to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), and topics on bioenergy as well as on Globally Important Agriculture Heritage Systems, ecosystem restoration and climate-resilient and low-emission development pathways.

The officer would be working in the NDC Enhancement Support Team (NEST), in OCB, which strengthens FAO's longstanding work to address climate change in the agriculture, forestry and fisheries sectors and supports FAO Members in their responses towards the challenge of climate change adaptation and mitigation, the development of adaptive capacities for conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity, other natural resources and their efforts to achieve related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Under the overall guidance of the NEST Team Leader and in close collaboration with the team members, the incumbent will contribute to the further development and implementation of programmes and approaches related to climate change and agrifood systems.

Technical Focus

Climate change adaptation and mitigation in the agriculture sectors, including agrifood system, in particular concerning country support to the design and implementation of the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs), National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and Long Term Strategies (LTS); and related to international engagement in the context of the UNFCCC processes, building and partnerships to scale up climate action, finance and ambition in developing countries.

3. Key Functions

In particular, the incumbent will:

- Assist in the preparation of technical and policy documents, capacity development and advocacy material related to climate change in agrifood systems;
- Assist FAO in the implementation of the FAO Strategy on Climate Change (2022-2031) and its Action Plan;
- Assist in the drafting of conceptual notes about agrifood systems as part of low carbon, climate-resilient development pathways, taking into account technology and innovation;
- Assist in providing technical assistance in climate policy support to FAO Member Countries on Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) and National Adaptation Plans (NAPs); and Long Term Strategies (LTS);
- Assist FAO in the implementation of 'Scaling up Climate Ambition on Land-use and Agriculture through NDCs and NAPs' (SCALA) programme (IKI funded);
- Assist FAO to manage the global knowledge platform 'Climate-Change Knowledge Hub' (BMEL funded);
- Assist in the preparation of workshops, seminars and trainings with regards to FAO's cooperate Climate Change Strategy and including FAO's engagement with the UNFCCC processes;
- Support FAO's engagement with international stakeholders, in particular with the private sector;
- Perform other related duties as required.

4. General requirements

Candidates should meet the following:

- **Master's degree** in agriculture and environmental sciences, agricultural sciences or economics or related fields
- Two to four years of relevant experience in the field of climate change and agriculture
- Working knowledge (Level C) of English and limited knowledge (Level B) of one of French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese or Russian

5. Selection Criteria

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Relevance of experience in climate change issues related to agriculture
- Ability to plan and organize own work, deliver results and meet deadlines
- Ability to work effectively within a team, supporting others, and fostering a positive team environment
- Commitment to continual improvement of knowledge, skills and abilities
- Excellent oral and written communication skills

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