



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

**PROFESSIONAL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT N°: 2399-EST**

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Deadline For Application: **21 June 2010**

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<b>POSITION TITLE:</b>	<b>Economist</b> (Markets and Trade)	<b>GRADE LEVEL:</b>	<b>P-2</b>
<b>ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:</b>	<b>Trade and Markets Division, EST</b> Economic and Social Development Department, ES	<b>DUTY STATION:</b>	<b>Rome</b>
		<b>DURATION *:</b>	<b>Three Years</b>
		<b>POST CODE/N°:</b>	<b>0090018</b>
		<b>CCOG CODE:</b>	<b>1E02</b>

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**Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged**

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Under the overall direction of the Director, EST, and as member of one or more task teams, will perform economic analysis for the development and implementation of the programme related to agricultural markets and trade. In particular will:

- undertake quantitative economic research on agricultural commodity markets and trade, including short-term and medium-term analyses of developments in production, trade, consumption and prices and on relevant national and international policies;
- prepare advanced drafts of analytical and policy-oriented reports and studies on economic factors driving agricultural markets and trade and on national and international policies;
- develop, enhance and maintain databases on relevant market and trade information;
- prepare, assist and advise, as required, in the formulation and implementation of technical assistance and development projects and provide technical backstopping;
- develop and maintain contacts with international and national, public and private institutions for general coordination and exchange of information, including by networking through electronic means;
- contribute to the preparation and servicing of intergovernmental meetings of commodities covered by the Division;
- help establish, enhance and update relevant websites falling under the team responsibility
- perform other related duties as required.

**The French and Spanish translations will be published shortly**

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

*Candidates should meet the following:*

- Advanced degree in Economics, Agricultural Economics or closely related field
- Three years of relevant experience in economic research and policy analysis, (Ph. D. or equivalent degree may substitute for two years of the required experience)
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

*Candidates will be assessed against the following:*

- Extent and relevance of experience in quantitative economic research and analysis of agricultural markets and trade
- Demonstrated ability to conduct economic research and to prepare analytical reports
- Quality of both oral and written communication and drafting skills
- Demonstrated literacy in web and data base development and management
- Working knowledge of other official languages of FAO would be an asset

*Please note that all candidates should possess computer/word processing skills and should be capable of working with people of different national and cultural backgrounds.*

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

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**REMUNERATION**

A competitive compensation and benefits package is offered. For information on UN salaries, allowances and benefits, click on the following link: <http://icsc.un.org/>

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**TO APPLY: Carefully read and follow the Guidelines to applicants**

Send your application to: V.A **2399-EST**  
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