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Deadline For Application: **09 April 2013**

POSITION TITLE:	Forestry Officer (Wood Energy)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Rome
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Forest Products Team	DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 2 years
	Forest Economics, Policy and Products Division (FOE)	POST CODE/N°:	C/0122858
	Forestry Department (FO)	CCOG CODE:	1.H.06.g

**Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged
Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply
All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence**

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the general supervision of the Director, FOE, and the direct supervision of the Team Leader of the Forest Products Team, FOE, and in the context of the overall objectives and priorities of FAO Forestry, the incumbent will be responsible for planning, coordinating and implementing the wood energy activities of the Forestry Department. In particular, the incumbent will:

- monitor current trends and developments in wood energy policies, technologies and utilization;
- collect and analyse data and information and produce technical studies about the implications of developments in wood energy for sustainable forest management, climate change and environment, energy and food security, employment and livelihoods, rural and industrial development, as well as any other important linkages between wood energy, food and agriculture;
- participate in the development and application of efficient wood based energy strategies, policies and practices, especially in developing countries and countries in transition;
- participate in the collection, development and analysis of international statistics on wood energy, with an emphasis on improving reliability and coverage to contribute to improving information for international processes and policies related to wood energy and bio-energy issues;
- participate in the development, technical backstopping and evaluation of field projects and programmes related to wood energy;
- provide advice and technical assistance to member countries on issues related to sustainable wood energy use, technologies and policies; act as the Departmental focal point on bio-energy related issues and actively participate in the Inter-Departmental Working Group on bio-energy;
- liaise with counterparts in international organizations on energy related matters, including the Global Bio-Energy Partnership; the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves; and the bioenergy task forces of the International Energy Agency (IEA);
- contribute to the priority-setting process and resource mobilization efforts of the Department and actively seek opportunities to work across divisional and departmental boundaries;
- perform other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Forestry, Wood Science, Engineering or other subjects relevant to the topic of wood energy
- Seven years of relevant professional experience in forestry or other related fields with emphasis on wood energy
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese or Russian

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of working experience related to wood energy utilization, technologies and policies
- Extent of relevant working experience in different countries and regions, especially in developing countries and countries in transition
- Extent of working experience in organizing international meetings, seminars and training courses
- Extent of experience in field project development and implementation
- Demonstrated analytical, coordination, negotiating and advisory skills
- Quality of both oral and written communication skills

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**

REMUNERATION

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and complete the on-line application

In order for your application to be properly evaluated, please ensure that all sections of the on-line application are completed.

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