



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

## Vacancy Announcement No.:

**Issued on:**  
**Deadline For Application:**

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<b>Position Title:</b>	Junior Professional Officer (Green Cities)	<b>Grade Level:</b>	P-2
		<b>Duty Station:</b>	Rome, Italy
<b>Organizational Unit:</b>	Forestry Division, NFO	<b>Duration *:</b>	Fixed-term: two years with possibility of extension
		<b>Post Number:</b>	
		<b>CCOG Code:</b>	

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

- **FAO is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality, background and culture.**
  - **Qualified female applicants, qualified nationals of non-and under-represented Members and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.**
  - **Everyone who works for FAO is required to adhere to the highest standards of integrity and professional conduct, and to uphold FAO's values.**
  - **FAO, as a Specialized Agency of the United Nations, has a zero-tolerance policy for conduct that is incompatible with its status, objectives and mandate, including sexual exploitation and abuse, sexual harassment, abuse of authority and discrimination.**
  - **All selected candidates will undergo rigorous reference and background checks.**
  - **All applications will be treated with the strictest confidentiality.**
  - **FAO staff are subject to the authority of the Director-General, who may assign them to any of the activities or offices of the Organization.**
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### Organizational Setting

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) contributes to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda through the FAO Strategic Framework by supporting the transformation to MORE efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agrifood systems, for *better production, better nutrition, a better environment, and a better life*, leaving no one behind.

The Forestry Division (NFO) leads FAO's work in promoting sustainable forest management and providing leadership on the environmental, social and economic dimensions of forestry, including its contributions to poverty reduction and food security and nutrition. It liaises with Member Nations, civil society and the private sector in aspects ranging from development of effective forest policies to forest conservation and management issues and strengthens the role of forests in climate change mitigation and adaptation. The Division also collects, analyses and disseminates information on the world's forest resources and, on the production, trade and consumption of wood and non-wood forest products.

The post is located in the Greening Cities Team, that is responsible for the urban forestry programme of the Division and coordinates the implementation of the FAO Green Cities Initiative in close collaboration with other divisions and offices, such as Plant Production and Protection (NSP), Office of Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environment (OCB) and Agrifood Systems and Food Safety Division (ESF).

The post is located in the Forestry Division, NFO at FAO headquarters, Rome, Italy.

### Reporting Lines

The Junior Professional Officer (Green Cities) reports to the Forestry Officer (Team Leader Greening Cities).

### Technical Focus

Development and implementation of programmes and activities related to urban forestry and urban greening (including urban agriculture and bioeconomy) sector.

### Key Results

Collection and analysis of information, data and statistics and project/meeting services to support programme projects, products and services.

### Key Functions

- Collects and analyses relevant technical, social, economic, environmental, institutional and technology related information, data and/or statistics to support the delivery of programme projects as well as products and services.
- Undertakes analysis, provides technical input for plans and reports and edits/revises technical/scientific documents.
- Participates in the development of improved work methods, tools and systems.
- Updates databases and web pages.

- Participates in multidisciplinary project/work teams.
- Collaborates in the development of training tools and materials and the organization of workshops/seminars, etc.
- Participates in the organization, conduct and follow-up of meetings, consultations and conferences, the development/production of required materials and the provision of information and assistance to partners.

### **Specific Functions**

- Contributes to the coordination and implementation of the Green Cities Initiative and its associated projects, particularly those related to urban forestry and urban greening.
- Supports communication and promotion of the Green Cities Network and the management of the communities of practice.
- Participates in the development and establishment of partnerships and the mobilization of resources for ongoing and new initiatives.
- Contributes to networking activities and to the mobilization of FAO partners for the implementation of the Green Cities Initiative.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

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## **CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING**

### **Minimum Requirements**

- Advanced university degree in relevant areas such as urban forestry, urban agriculture, landscape architecture, urban planning or related fields.
- Three years of relevant experience, including experience in sustainable urban development, nature-based solutions and urban greening
- Working knowledge (proficient - level C) of English and limited knowledge (intermediate - level B) of another FAO official language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish).

### **Competencies**

- Results Focus
- Teamwork
- 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.
- Extent and relevance of experience in collecting and analysing technical information and data.
- Extent and relevance of experience in the preparation, editing and revision of technical/scientific documents and in organizing meetings and workshops.
- Extent and relevance of experience in establishing and maintaining partnerships with the United Nations (UN) agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), as well as donors and government institutions and agencies.
- Working knowledge (proficient - level C) of another official FAO language would be an asset.

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