



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: FAO/SRB/2018/006

Deadline: 19 February 2018

Job Title: **Biologist**

Project: GCP/SRB/002/GFF

Location: Belgrade, Serbia

Remuneration: Equivalent to UN Service Contract SB4/3

Expected Date of Assignment: ASAP

Duration: WAE 126 days in 12 months period

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF TASK(S) AND OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED

Background: Under the overall supervision of the Assistant Director General / Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia (REU), the direct technical supervision of the Forestry Officer (REU), day to day supervision of the National Project Coordinator and in close coordination with GEF National Project Director, the Biologist works in close cooperation with the international Forest Biodiversity Expert and the national Forest Biodiversity Specialist, the NFI Coordinator (Component 1) and the Forest Management Specialists team, as well as other international and national experts as appropriate.

The Biologist will carry out the following tasks:

- Contribute to the elaboration of the methodology for collecting biodiversity information as part of the National Forest Inventory (NFI).
 - Contribute to the elaboration of the methodology for assessing forest biodiversity and nature values for elaboration of Forest Management Plans and Forest Development Plans.
 - Participate in the training needs assessment, contribute to the elaboration of training material for NFI field surveyors and participate in training based on the methodology.
 - Assist in the evaluation of the current status of forest biodiversity, impacts and threats for Obedska Bara and Tara National Parks.
 - Assist in designing and implementation of the Nature Value Assessment and mapping of key biotopes in four selected FMUs within and outside protected areas.
 - Participate in trainings for forest planners and managers performed by the Forest Management Specialists team.
- Perform other duties as required.

The above-mentioned tasks will be performed during the course of the project as appropriate.

Key competencies/qualifications and experience:

- Advanced university degree in biology;
- At least 5 years of work experience in assessment and management of forest biodiversity;
- Full working knowledge of Serbian and limited working capacity in English;
- Strong ability to work under pressure and against tight deadlines;
- Strong drafting and interpersonal skills, honesty, orientation on achievements.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION: Please submit a Letter of Interest and Curriculum Vitae by email quoting in the subject line **VA: FAO/SRB/2018/006** and send to:

FAO-RS@fao.org

Kindly note that this is a local position open to nationals of Serbia and to individuals who have a valid residence / work permit.

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Only shortlisted candidates will be notified.