



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement No: FAO/SRB/2018/003

Deadline: 14 February 2018

Job Title: Forest Management Specialist (Coordinator - Component 2 and Western Serbia)

Project: GCP/SRB/002/GFF

Location: Belgrade, with regular visits to the pilot regions

Remuneration: UN Service Contract SB4/3

Expected Date of Assignment: ASAP

Duration: WAE 210 days in 12 months period (with possibility of extension over the project duration)

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 Forest Management Specialist (Coordinator – Component 2 and Western Serbia) works in close cooperation with FAO Serbia staff, the international Forest Management Expert, the Forest Management Specialist (Vojvodina Region), the Forest Biodiversity team and the NFI team as well as other international and national experts as appropriate.

The Forest Management Specialist (Coordinator - Component 2 and Western Serbia) will carry out the following tasks:

- In coordination with the International Forest Management Expert prepare at least 15 guideline documents for sustainable silvicultural practices in different forest types, integrating climate change considerations and biodiversity conservation based on EU habitats directive.
- In coordination with the International Forest Management Expert elaborate a manual and technical guidelines for forest development and forest management planning integrating Climate Change Mitigation (CCM) and Biodiversity (BD) considerations into Forest Development Plan (FDP) and Forest Management Plan (FMP) procedures.
- In coordination with the International Forest Management Expert elaborate methodologies for new elements in FDP and FMP such as Forest Function Mapping, Forest Site Mapping and Land Erosion Risk Mapping.
- Elaborate a new Forest Development Programme and contribute to the elaboration of related legislation.
- Perform a training needs assessment and design trainings (including training materials) for SFM for forest professionals and forest owners.
- Together with International Forest Management Expert conduct training of forest planner and managers.
- Participation in the selection process of pilot FMUs as well as coordinate the related field activities at the level of forest regions and FMUs and their implementation in Western Serbia.
- Establishment of demonstration plots for typical management measures in common forest types.
- Conduct workshops for private forest owners on FMP implementation.
- Organization of excursions and Open days of the Forests.
- 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 (preferably PhD) in forest management planning or forest inventory, or other related disciplines;
- At least ten years of progressively professional experience with forest; management planning and implementation, in particular in private forests;
- Experience in the region an advantage;
- Full working knowledge of Serbian;
- Limited working knowledge of 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/2018/003** 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.