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Deadline For Application: **31 October 2014**

POSITION TITLE:	Livestock Development Officer	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
		DUTY STATION:	Libreville, Gabon
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Sub-regional Office for Central Africa, SFC	DURATION *:	Fixed-term: 2 years
		POST NUMBER:	1072951
		CCOG CODE:	1H01

**Qualified female applicants and qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged to apply.
Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.
All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.**

The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.

Organizational Setting

FAO Subregional Office for Central Africa is responsible for developing, promoting, overseeing and implementing agreed strategies for addressing sub-regional food, agriculture and rural development priorities. The Office develops and maintains relations with subregion-wide institutions including the two Regional Economic Integration Organizations, i.e. ECCAS and CEMAC. The Office assists the FAO Representations (FAORs), with addressing subregional food security, agriculture and rural development issues at country level. They are subsidiaries of the Regional Office (RO).

The post is located in the Subregional Office for Central Africa, SFC, Libreville, Gabon.

Reporting Lines

The Livestock Development Officer report to the Subregional Coordinator, SFC, receives functional guidance from the Animal Production and Health Division and works in close collaboration with the FAO Senior Regional Livestock Development Officer in RAF.

Technical Focus

Provide support on matters related to livestock development for the Subregional Multidisciplinary team
Backstop programmes and projects in livestock
Promote livestock as a community business

Key Results

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, development and implementation of Regional programmes, projects, products and services in accordance with Regional objectives and FAO Strategic Objectives

Key Functions

- Plans and leads components of multi-disciplinary teams, leads and/or participates in internal committees, project teams, and working groups and/or provides specialized expertise on technical networks and/or international technical policy and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies.
- Develops technical, analytical, monitoring and reporting frameworks, and related methodologies, tools, systems and databases etc. to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of programmes of work, projects, products and/or services.
- Designs and conducts research, data collection, validation, analysis and/or reporting activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovative approaches and strategies, new tools, technologies, technical reports/publications, and/or policy proposals as well as the provision of technical/policy/ specialist/advice and expertise.
- Responds to country requests for technical and policy assistance, provides technical advice, assistance and solutions to Decentralized Offices and provides technical backstopping to field projects.
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality / effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities within member countries such as policy support, organizational development and individual learning events including preparation of related information, learning materials, on-line tools..
- Promotes international cooperation/advocates best practices, increased policy dialogue and provides technical expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings.
- Participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.
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Specific Functions

- Provide technical advisory support to FAO member countries and Sub-regional Organisations (ECCAS and CEMAC) on the formulation and implementation of technical programmes aimed at the development and improvement of the livestock sub-sector in the sub-region;
- Identify sustainable livestock intensification and Good Agricultural Practice issues relevant to the sub region including: breed conservation and improvement, improved husbandry, transhumance, natural resource management, and livestock marketing (including preservation and processing) of animal products;

- Provide, in close collaboration with the Regional Emergency Centre for Transboundary Animal Diseases Units based in the Regional Animal Health Centres, technical support to member countries on appropriate prevention and control strategies against transboundary and other emerging animal diseases;
 - Assist in defining country priorities for livestock development and options to harmonise such programmes between the different livestock production systems found within the sub-region;
 - Plan, organize and participate in national and sub-regional capacity building programmes related to livestock development;
 - Maintain regular liaison with national and regional research and training institutions in the sub-region and represent FAO in sub-regional and international meetings as required;
 - Contribute to FAO regular programme activities on animal production and health and support FAO global and regional programmes;
 - Support any livestock related emergency relief and rehabilitation programmes in the sub region;
 - Ensure that livestock development is adequately integrated into the work of the Multi Disciplinary Team (MDT)
 - Perform other related duties as required.
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CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced University degree in veterinary science, agriculture or animal production/science plus a post-graduate degree in a relevant animal health or production subject.
- Seven years of relevant experience in livestock development programmes including working experience in Central Africa sub-region.
- Working knowledge of French, English or Spanish and limited knowledge of the other two.

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 is desirable.
 - Extent and relevance of experience in international animal health (regulatory and developmental) programmes
 - Extent of experience in prevention and control of animal diseases
 - Extent of experience in animal health projects and programmes management
 - Demonstrated ability to mobilize resources
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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.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills.
 - Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which will be followed by a competency-based interview.
 - Your application will be screened based on the information provided in your iRecruitment online profile (see "How to Apply"). We strongly recommend that you ensure that the information is accurate and complete including employment record, academic qualifications and language skills.
 - Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognised in the IAU/UNESCO list.
 - Other similar positions at the same level may be filled from this vacancy notice and the endorsed candidates will be considered for the Employment Roster for a period of 2 years.
 - Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments.
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HOW TO APPLY

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Candidates are requested to attach a letter of motivation to the online profile.

Vacancies will be removed from iRecruitment at 23:59 Central European Time (CET) on the deadline for applications date. We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline date.

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