

Senior Programme Adviser P5 Market-based responses

The World Food Programme (WFP) is the world's largest humanitarian agency, fighting hunger worldwide. We are currently seeking to fill the position of Senior Programme Adviser P5, Market-based responses in the Policy, Programme and Innovations Division in headquarters in Rome, Italy.

ARE YOU UP TO THE CHALLENGE?

Selected candidates may be asked to serve in a difficult duty station upon appointment.

Please visit our corporate recruitment website to get more information about being an International Professional in WFP: http://www.wfp.org/about/vacancies/professionals

To support the UN Zero Hunger Challenge, the WFP Policy, Programme and Innovations Division aims at developing innovative, cost-effective and sustainable solutions to chronic hunger.

The transition from food aid to food assistance has given WFP a broader choice of transfer modalities to enhance food and nutrition security. Within this new space, there are several innovative approaches for WFP to explore and multiple opportunities for scaling up and enlarging market-based approaches as well as forging strategic partnerships with a wider range of organizations, institutions, etc. including the private sector.

Under the overall supervision of the Deputy Director PPI, Innovations Service, the Senior Programme Adviser, expert in market-based approaches, will provide leadership in integrating cash and voucher transfers to local food value-chains for enhanced food and nutrition security. Specific duties include:

- Forge strategic partnerships with private sector, UN agencies, NGOs and Governments to encourage and enhance market-based approaches for food and nutrition security;
- Provide technical expertise supporting the design and implementation of efficient and effective cash and voucher transfers promoting or supporting local food valuechains;
- Develop methods, tools and metrics for operational market-based responses in line with relevant corporate strategies and policies, e.g. nutrition;
- Provide strategic and technical expertise to integrate WFP cash and voucher transfers, food technologies and local food value-chains;
- Mobilize key stakeholders and explore how cash and voucher transfer programming can be leveraged to enhance beneficiaries' access to higher nutritional value foods through market policy and national food quality legislation;
- Contribute to expand and enhance WFP's capacities and know-how in designing, implementing and evaluating cost-effective market-based responses;
- Catalyse learning and promote the active dissemination of lessons learned in WFP programming, strengthening the role of innovation in the operations;
- Act as focal point in the PPI/Innovation Office and facilitate, coordinate projects with other WFP units.

Qualifications & Experience Required

Education:

- Advanced degree (MSc) in Engineering, Applied Economics, Business Administration, or any other related subject.
- Professional Certification in Supply Chain Management (APICS) would be recommended.

Experience:

- At least eleven years (4 of which international) of postgraduate progressively responsible professional experience including supply chain management possibly in the life science industry.
- Experience in nutrition, operation research and relevant data analysis applied to cash transfer programming (CTP).

Competencies:

WFP's core competencies for professionals include action management, communication skills and high standards of ethics and values.

Language:

Working knowledge (proficiency/level C) of English and limited knowledge (intermediate/level B) of another UN official language, Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish, or one of WFP's working languages, Portuguese.

Terms and Conditions

Selected candidates will be employed on a fixed-term contract with a probationary period of one year.

WFP offers an attractive compensation and benefits package, including basic salary, post adjustment, 30 days' annual vacation, home leave, an education grant for dependent children, pension plan and medical insurance. Please visit the following websites for detailed information on working with WFP.

<u>http://www.wfp.org</u> Click on: "Where we work" and "Our work" to learn more about WFP's operations.

http://icsc.un.org Click on: Quick Links > Salary Scales > by date

http://www.unstaffmobility.org Learn more about countries where the UN operates http://www.un.org/en/zerohunger/challenge.shtml Learn more about the UN Zero Hunger Challenge

Application procedures:

Go to: http://i-recruitment.wfp.org/vacancies/14-0014926

Step 1: Create your online CV.

Step 2: Click on "Description" to read the position requirements and "Apply" to submit your application.

NOTE: You must complete Step 2 in order for your application to be considered for this vacancy.

Deadline for applications: 5 March 2014

WFP has zero tolerance for discrimination and does not discriminate on the basis of HIV/AIDS status. Qualified female applicants and qualified applicants from developing countries are encouraged to apply.

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