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VACANCY NOTICE No. 1773
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 12 July 2010

POST	GRADE	DUTY STATION	COMMENCEMENT OF DUTY	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT
Scientific Officer	P.4*	Geneva	1 September 2010 or as soon as possible thereafter	Fixed-term of two years with possibility of renewal pending satisfactory performance after an initial probationary period of one year, which can be extended up to a maximum of two years

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT
Agricultural Meteorology (AGM) Division
Climate Prediction and Adaptation (CLPA) Branch
Climate and Water (CLW) Department

Applications from suitably qualified female and male candidates are equally welcome.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the supervision of the Chief of the Agricultural Meteorology Division, the incumbent will perform the following dutites:

(a) Implement the scientific and technical activities of the WMO Agricultural Meteorology Programme, including WMO activities in the combat of drought and desertification;

(b) Provide support to the scientific and technical activities of the Expert Teams and Open Pprogramme Area Groups (OPAGs) of the WMO Commission for Agricultural Meteorology, including the planning and organization of meetings, technical and scientific conferences, and workshops;

(c) Manage the World Agrometeorological Information Service (WAMIS) project of the Division;

(d) Liaise technically with the appropriate international and regional organizations, including the institutes of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR);

(e) Assist in the preparation of the WMO input into the activities of other organizations and the activities concerning the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD);

(f) Collaborate in the organization and coordination of projects and training activities of the WMO Development and Regional Activities Department;

(g) Organize, and participate in, the publication of technical documents and meeting reports, popular science brochures, newsletters and bulletins;

(h) Carry out other related duties as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education

A Masters degree or equivalent in agriculture, meteorology or geography with subsequent specialization in agricultural meteorology. A higher degree (PhD equivalent) would be an advantage.

Experience

At least eight years of combined national and international progressively responsible experience in the applications of agricultural meteorology. Experience in interdisciplinary activities and international aspects of agricultural meteorology would be an advantage. Proven ability to draft and review documents, reports and publications. Good managerial skills; experience in budget planning and monitoring.

Other requirements

Ability to plan and organize agrometeorological work, participate effectively in interdisciplinary technical projects. Ability to express ideas clearly in oral and written reports. Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to work productively in a multicultural environment.

Languages

Excellent knowledge of English or French and a good working knowledge of the other. Knowledge of other official languages of the WMO Secretariat would be an advantage.

(Note: the working languages of the WMO Secretariat are English and French. The official languages of the Organization are Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.)

* The Secretary-General may appoint a candidate at a grade below the advertised grade of the post, with the possibility of promotion to that grade within three years of appointment, subject to satisfactory appraisal of performance.

SALARY, ALLOWANCES AND OTHER BENEFITS

Annual net base salary on initial appointment is US$ 71,393 for staff members with dependants
US$ 66,482 for staff members without dependants

Annual post adjustment on initial salary is US$ 46,120 for staff members with dependants
US$ 42,947 for staff members without dependants

This post adjustment, which is subject to change without notice, is paid in addition to the net basic salary.

APPLICATIONS: Applications should be made on the WMO Personal History Form which may be obtained from the WMO Secretariat on request or downloaded from the Internet at http://www.wmo.int/vacancies and should be addressed under confidential cover to:
The Chief, Human Resources Division, World Meteorological Organization, P.O. Box 2300, 1211 Geneva 2, Switzerland
Do not send your application via multiple routes. Due to the expected volume of applications, receipt of applications cannot be acknowledged individually. Only applicants in whom WMO has a further interest will be contacted. Shortlisted candidates may be required to sit a written test and/or an interview.

Date of issue of vacancy notice: 14 June 2010