Organizational Setting
Through its Country Offices, or FAO Representations, FAO assists governments to develop policies, programmes and projects to address hunger and malnutrition, and provides technical support for the sustainable development of their agricultural, fisheries and forestry sectors. The activities of the FAO Country Offices include design and implementation of country-tailored field programmes, liaison with local donor representatives, and active public awareness-raising and outreach activities related to FAO initiatives such as the World Food Day.

The Project "Establishing a Hunger-free Initiative for West Africa" funded by Federal Republic of Germany is supporting Economic Community Of West African States ECOWAS and its government and non-government partners in working towards a Hunger-free West Africa, by building on existing policies and programmes, increasing stakeholder engagement and amplifying the current political commitment in the region. It is promoting good nutrition, feasible technical solutions to food insecurity and the right to food as the ultimate goal to be reached. As an integral part of this hunger-free initiative, the project is supporting specific elements of first and third programme of the Regional Partnership Compact for the Implementation of Economic Community of West African States/Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (ECOWAP/CAADP) and follow-up on previous support to nutrition efforts in the region. A common feature of all components of the project is the need to enhance collaboration of different sectors and actors.

The position is located in FAO Representation in Lomé, Togo.

Reporting Lines
The Chief Technical Advisor (CTA) reports to the Senior Nutrition Officer (Lead Technical Officer of the Project) in close collaboration with WAT leader and RAF Senior Policy Officer.

Technical Focus
Overall management and implementation of the project, provide support to participating UN and Government counterpart agencies including ECOWAS, and effective and timely execution through concerted efforts of UN agencies, government agencies and other related parties involved.

Key Results
Leadership and technical expertise for the identification, formulation, planning, development and implementation of Project

Key Functions
- provides technical leadership assistance on the development, the implementation and evaluation of assigned project; assists to the review of relevant documents and reports; identifies priorities, liaises with relevant parties; identifies follow-up actions;
- assists to the coordination of the project and reviews the assessments of issues and trends for the implementation of the project and the preparation of impact evaluation or equivalent studies;
- assists/supervises preparation of various written outputs, e.g. background papers, analysis, substantial sections of reports and studies, inputs to publications;
- contributes to consultative and other meetings, conferences, to include proposing agenda topics, identifying participants, preparation of documents and presentations
- participate in activities; structures training workshops, seminars, makes presentations on assigned topics/activities;
- participates to field missions, including provision of guidance to external consultants, government officials and other parties;
- provides advice on policies development and strategies as well as national protocols and guidelines for projects with specific domains related to FAO’s work;
- performs other duties as required.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements
- Advanced University degree in social science, agricultural economics, business administration and management, organizational development, agricultural training and education
- Seven years of relevant experience in project management, planning, implementation and evaluation of agricultural training and/or capacity building programmes and/or political economy and governance concerns
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one of the other two or Arabic, Chinese, Russian

**FAO Competencies**
- 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 project management, planning, implementation and evaluation of agricultural training and/or capacity building programmes and/or political economy and governance concerns
- Understanding of the value added of human rights approach in general and the right to food and nutrition security in particular
- Good writing, presentation and communication skills in French and English is considered a strong asset
- Extent and relevance of experience in Africa, particularly in the West Africa and areas with difficult security conditions is desirable
- Experience in working with UN agencies is desirable

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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