	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
	Vacancy Announcement No: FAO/SRB/2022/003 Deadline: 8 August 2022

Job Title: **Junior Technical Advisor**

Project: GCP/SRB/002/GFF and GCP/SRB/007/GFF

Location: Belgrade, Serbia (home-based)

Remuneration: Equivalent to UN Service Contract SB4/2

Expected Date of Assignment: ASAP   Duration: 12 months

Description of task(s) and objectives to be achieved

Under the overall supervision of the Assistant Director General / Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia (REU), in close coordination with GEF National Project Director, and under the technical supervision of the Lead Technical Officer and the technical and operational supervision of the FAO Programme Coordinator, and in close liaison with FAO Serbia personnel and national counterparts, the selected applicant will work on project GCP/SRB/002/GFF (details under https://www.thegef.org/projects-operations/projects/9089), which main goal is to contribute to the conservation of biodiversity and climate change mitigation through the promotion of multifunctional sustainable forest management in productive forest landscapes (Global environmental objective).

In addition, the selected applicant will work on the related forestry project GCP/SRB/007/GFF that aims to address promotion of Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) and Forest Landscape Restoration (FLR) practices for the recovery and restoration of prioritized landscapes that sustain environmental services and food security and to establish support mechanisms for achieving and monitoring LDN at the national level (details under https://www.thegef.org/projects-operations/projects/10814).

In particular, the selected applicant will carry out the following activities:

- Support the consultative process for the implementation of LDN in Serbia, including preparing baseline documentation and leading meetings for the LDN expert working group
- Review baseline assessments for LDN, in particular in view of the latest LULCF and NFI results
- Mobilize interested intitutions to participate in the expert working group on LDN
- Review the assessment by international and national experts on FLR practices and methods (including afforestation assessments and cost benefit analysis of alternatives) to be applied in pilot sites
- Support the consultation with local working groups to select FLR approaches to be piloted
- Lead a participatory process to select project landscapes based on the latest LULCF and NFI results, as well as beneficiaries and pilot interventions
- With the support of the Gender specialist, ensure Gender considerations are observed
- Support the work of the communications and knowledge management experts to ensure wide dissemination of LULCF and NFI results, as well as FLR best practices
- Perform other duties as required

Key qualifications, experience and competencies:

- University degree in forestry or a related field;
- At least three years of professional experience in the area of forestry and related policies/programmes;
- Working experience with Government institutions, universities, research institutions, national or international agencies;

- Working knowledge of English;
- Good communication skills and experience in using MS office applications;
- Able to work in an interdisciplinary team.

Competencies:
- Results Focus
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Building Effective Relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement
- Gender and Minorities Awareness

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION: Please submit a Letter of Interest and Curriculum Vitae by email quoting in the subject line VA: FAO/SRB/2022/003 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.