The United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme is the UN organization that promotes volunteerism to support peace and development worldwide. Volunteerism can transform the pace and nature of development and it benefits both society at large and the individual volunteer. UNV contributes to peace and development by advocating for volunteerism globally, encouraging partners to integrate volunteerism into development programming, and mobilizing volunteers. In most cultures, volunteerism is deeply embedded in long-established, ancient traditions of sharing and support within the communities. In this context, UN Volunteers take part in various forms of volunteerism and play a role in development and peace together with co-workers, host agencies, and local communities. In all assignments, UN Volunteers promote volunteerism through their action and conduct. Engaging in volunteer activity can effectively and positively enrich their understanding of local and social realities, as well as create a bridge between themselves and the people in their host community. This will make the time they spend as UN Volunteers even more rewarding and productive.

General Information

- **Country of Assignment**: Hungary
- **Host Institute**: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- **Volunteer Category**: International Specialist
- **Number of Volunteer**: 1
- **Duration**: 12 months
- **Expected Starting Date**: 01-06-2020
- **Duty Station**: Budapest [HUN]
- **Assignment Place**: Family Duty Station
- **Assignment Place Remark**: 

Living Conditions

Hungary is a small, high-income country in Central Europe with a population around 10 million inhabitants. Budapest is the capital - it counts a population of 1.74 million inhabitants and covers an area of approximately 525 square kilometres. With the Alps to the west and the flat, open Great Plain to the east, Budapest enjoys a temperate climate. The city is the country's principal political, cultural, commercial, industrial, and transportation centre, and is considered the primate city of Hungary. In 1987 the UNESCO World Heritage Committee listed the view of the Danube embankments and the Buda Castle District as a World heritage site.

Hungary is a member of the United Nations (since 1955) and the European Union (since 2004), as well as the EU's visa-free zone (the Schengen Area). Hungary's currency is the Hungarian Forint (HUF). Since 2000, when major political and economic reforms were launched to ensure the respect of the European
Union’s criteria for EU membership, Budapest has experienced a growth in the number of economic and financial institutions and has asserted itself as a logistics and production hub.

The availability of a highly skilled workforce has led to several global multinationals setting up their R&D and shared service centres in the capital. Major industries include food processing, pharmaceuticals, motor vehicles, information technology, chemicals, machinery, electrical goods, and tourism. Hungary is the 11th most popular country as a tourist destination in Europe. It is home to the largest thermal water cave system and the second largest thermal lake in the world, the largest lake in Central Europe and the largest natural grasslands in Europe

**Assignment Details**

**Assignment Title**

Project specialist

**Organizational Context & Project Description**

The Regional Office coordinates FAO’s work in Europe and Central Asia, providing expertise in crops, livestock, forestry, fisheries, food safety and nutrition, trade and agricultural policy works.

The Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia (REU) is responsible for leading FAO’s response to regional development priorities related to food and nutrition security, agriculture, rural development, poverty reduction and sustainable management of natural resources through the identification, planning and implementation of priority activities at the regional and national level. Addressing food security and reducing all forms of malnutrition is a cross-cutting priority area in the region.

REU responds to requests to address nutrition issues and develop nutrition-sensitive sustainable agri-food systems through multi-disciplinary approaches. REU advises on the incorporation of regional priorities into the Organization’s Programme of Work and Budget, monitors the level of programme implementation and draws attention to problems and deficiencies. REU supports regional policy dialogue on food security, agriculture and rural development issues, facilitates regional partnerships, and supports capacity development

**Sustainable Development Goals**

15. Life on Land

**Task description**

Under the direct supervision of the Agricultural Officer Carolina Rizzi Starr, in close collaboration with the REU Programme Officers and National officers, the UN Volunteer will undertake the following tasks:

- Support project document preparation in the region including, but not limited to
- Support the development of new projects ideas and PIFs as per request
- Support project document preparation (PRODOC) for Armenia
- Support project document preparation (PRODOC) for Tajikistan
- Follow and monitor work plans and countries activities related to the GEF-7 portfolio, including, but not limited to:
  - Track of all the step that need to be followed and by whom for the pipeline projects
  - Update the monitoring plan every month and identify projects with problem.

Furthermore, UN Volunteers are required to:- Strengthen their knowledge and understanding of the concept of volunteerism by reading relevant UNV and external publications and take active part in UNV activities (for instance in events that mark International Volunteer Day)- Be acquainted with and build on traditional and/or local forms of volunteerism in the host country- Provide annual and end of assignment reports on UN Volunteer actions, results and opportunities using UNV’s Volunteer Reporting Application- Contribute articles/write-ups on field experiences and submit them for UNV publications/ websites, newsletters, press releases, etc.- Assist with the UNV Buddy Programme for newly-arrived UN Volunteers- Promote or advise local groups in the use of online volunteering, or encourage relevant local individuals and organizations to use the UNV Online Volunteering service whenever technically possible.

Results/Expected Outputs

- Substantial inputs in the PRODOC for Armenia
- Substantial inputs in the PRODOC for Tajikistan
- Support in the monitoring process of GEF=7 portfolio

- The development of capacity through coaching, mentoring and formal on-the-job training, when working with (including supervising) national staff or (non-) governmental counter-parts, including Implementing Partners (IPs); • Age, Gender and Diversity (AGD) perspective is systematically applied, integrated and documented in all activities throughout the assignment • A final statement of achievements towards volunteerism for peace and development during the assignment, such as reporting on the number of volunteers mobilized, activities participated in and capacities developed

Qualifications/Requirements

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<td>Knowledge on project preparation and project monitoring, knowledge on GEF is a plus. Natural resources management, climate change, adaptation and mitigation.</td>
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The United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme is administered by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
Language
- English (Mandatory), Level - Fluent
- AND - Russian (Optional), Level - Working Knowledge

Area of Expertise
- Other development programme/project experience Mandatory

Need Driving Licence
No

Competencies & Values
- Accountability
- Adaptability and Flexibility
- Building Trust
- Client Orientation
- Commitment and Motivation
- Ethics and Values
- Integrity
- Knowledge Sharing
- Planning and Organizing
- Professionalism
- Respect for Diversity
- Self-Management
- Working in Teams

Conditions of Service and other information

Condition of Service
Click here to view Conditions of Service

Conditions of Service for International Specialist:

The contract lasts for the period indicated above with possibility of extensions subject to availability of funding, operational necessity and satisfactory performance. However, there is no expectation of renewal of the assignment.

A UN Volunteer receives a Volunteer Living Allowance (VLA) which is composed of the Monthly Living Allowance (MLA) and a Family Allowance (FA) for those with dependents (maximum three).

The Volunteer Living Allowance (VLA) is paid at the end of each month to cover housing, utilities,
transportation, communications and other basic needs. The VLA can be computed by applying the Post-Adjustment Multiplier (PAM) to the VLA base rate of US$ 1,631. The VLA base rate is a global rate across the world, while the PAM is duty station/country-specific and fluctuates on a monthly basis according to the cost of living. This method ensures that international UN Volunteers have comparable purchasing power at all duty stations irrespective of varying costs of living. The PAM is established by the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC) and is published at the beginning of every month on the ICSC website http://icsc.un.org.

For UN Volunteer entitlements, kindly refer to the link https://vmam.unv.org/calculator/entitlements

In non-family duty stations that belong to hardship categories D or E, as classified by the ICSC, international UN Volunteers receive a Well-Being Differential (WBD) on a monthly basis.

Furthermore, UN Volunteers are provided a settling-in-grant (SIG) at the start of the assignment (if the volunteer did not reside in the duty station for at least 6 months prior to taking up the assignment) and in the event of a permanent reassignment to another duty station.

UNV provides life, health, permanent disability insurances as well as assignment travel, annual leave, full integration in the UN security framework (including residential security reimbursements).

UN Volunteers are paid Daily Subsistence Allowance at the UN rate for official travels, flight tickets for periodic home visit and for the final repatriation travel (if applicable). Resettlement allowance is paid for satisfactory service at the end of the assignment.

UNV will provide, together with the offer of assignment, a copy of the Conditions of Service, including Code of conduct, to the successful candidate.

Supervision, induction and duty of care of UN Volunteers

UN Volunteers should be provided equal duty of care as extended to all host entity personnel. Host entity support to the UN Volunteer includes, but is not limited to:

- Introductory briefings about the organisation and office-related context including security, emergency procedures, good cultural practice and orientation to the local environment;

- Support with arrival administration including setting-up of bank accounts, residence permit applications and completion of other official processes as required by the host government or host entity;
- Structured guidance, mentoring and coaching by a supervisor including a clear workplan and performance appraisal;

- Access to office space, equipment, IT support and any other systems and tools required to complete the objectives of the assignment including a host entity email address;

- Access to shared host entity corporate knowledge, training and learning;

- Inclusion of the volunteer in emergency procedures such as evacuations;

- Leave management;

- DSA for official travel, when applicable;

- All changes in the Description of Assignment occurring between recruitment and arrival or during the assignment need to be formalized with the United Nations Volunteer Programme.

**Application Code**
HUNR000010-6476

**Application procedure**

**Prerequisites**

This assignment is funded by the Government of Korea, only Korean nationals who have not yet served as a UN Volunteer specialist funded by Korea are eligible to apply. Former UN Youth Volunteers and UN University Volunteers are eligible to apply.

**Selection process**

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. The selection will be done by the UN Host Entity at the level of the country of assignment. Interviews are scheduled to be conducted by the UN Host Entity between 14 April and 8 May. Usually these interviews are competency-based.

**How to apply**

Please apply via the link below. You can then either log in if you already have an account or register via ‘Candidate Signup’.

You may apply to a maximum of three assignments per advertisement and indicate your order of preference in the ‘Additional Remarks’ section of your profile.

**Application deadline: 22 March 2020**
United Nations Volunteers is an equal opportunity programme which welcomes applications from qualified professionals. We are committed to achieving diversity in terms of gender, nationality and culture.