Foreign Agricultural Service

Job Title: Agricultural Economist

Department: Department Of Agriculture

Agency: Foreign Agricultural Service

Job Announcement Number: UF657172LY

SALARY RANGE: $51,630.00 to $97,333.00 / Per Year

OPEN PERIOD: Monday, May 14, 2012 to Tuesday, May 29, 2012

SERIES & GRADE: GS-0110-09/12

POSITION INFORMATION: Full Time - Permanent

PROMOTION POTENTIAL: 12

DUTY LOCATIONS: 1 vacancy(s) - Washington DC Metro Area, DC United States

WHO MAY BE CONSIDERED: US Citizens and Status Candidates

JOB SUMMARY:

PLEASE READ ALL THE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER "HOW TO APPLY" BEFORE YOU BEGIN.

The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) is looking for people who want to work to improve foreign market access for U.S. products. FAS operates programs designed to build new markets and improve the competitive position of U.S. agriculture in the global marketplace.

AREA OF CONSIDERATION: All Sources – All interested U.S. citizens may apply. You need not be a current or former Federal employee to apply.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY (FSA) COUNTY EMPLOYEES: Permanent FSA County Employees without prior Federal tenure who are selected for a Civil Service position under Public Law 105-277 will be given a career-conditional appointment and must serve a 1-year probationary period.
KEY REQUIREMENTS

- You must be a U.S. Citizen or national to apply.
- Required to pass a background investigation and fingerprint check.
- Required to obtain/maintain a secret security clearance.
- Must meet basic education and experience requirements.
- Relocation expenses will not be authorized.
- Failure to submit transcripts for vacancy will result in non-consideration.

DUTIES:

This position is located in the Office of Global Analysis/Global Commodity Analysis Division.

The incumbent will be responsible for the following duties:

- Develops and maintains detailed economic data on world acreage, production, yields, consumption, stocks, trade and prices of agricultural commodities and products.
- Analyzes and appraises the effects of economic plans, policies, programs, and other factors of specific foreign governments designed to increase or control domestic production of agricultural commodities and products.
- Analyzes and evaluates factors which influence international trade in agricultural commodities and processed products in the major markets, with particular emphasis on government regulations and policies; bilateral and multilateral agreements; customs; preferences; tariffs, sanitary and phytosanitary and other market access barriers; prices; shipping costs; packaging; and other factors affecting the size of international markets as well as market shares of the U.S. and key competitors.

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