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The Secretariat of WTO is seeking to fill a post of Statistical Officer in the Trade Policies Review Division. Applications from men and women are equally welcome. Serving staff members interested in this position are also invited to apply.

- TITLE AND LEVEL:** Statistical Officer – Grade 7 ¹
- STARTING SALARY:** Approximately Swiss francs 78,000.-- net p.a.
- OTHER CONDITIONS:** In accordance with WTO Staff and Pension Plan Regulations.
A package of expatriate benefits is available to staff recruited non-locally.
- TYPE OF APPOINTMENT:** Fixed-term for two years, with possibility of extension.
- GENERAL FUNCTIONS:** Under the general supervision of a senior professional officer, the incumbent will be involved in the analysis and presentation of statistical data for Trade Policy Review reports. Specific duties would include:
- a) analyzing and presenting in tabular or graphic form:
 - macroeconomic data, including national accounts and balance of payments statistics;
 - trade flows using COMTRADE and other data bases,
 - tariff and non-tariff information.
 - b) assessing the accuracy of the work undertaken against sources;
 - c) help carrying out comparative analyses of data sources and draft explanatory notes when required;
 - d) discussing research projects and identifying the nature and availability of national and international data for Members under review;
 - e) liaising with the Division's statistical and secretarial teams as well as with other statistical officers in the WTO and other organizations;
 - f) other tasks as required.

¹ The post may be offered at a grade lower if the selected candidate does not fully meet the required qualifications.

DESIRABLE

QUALIFICATIONS:

- a) An advanced university degree in statistics or economics and two years' relevant practical experience in the statistical analysis of trade and economic data;
- b) good knowledge of statistical methods and economic statistics;
- c) understanding of tariff, trade and industrial classifications, as well as national and international practices in this area;
- d) working knowledge of PC software tools, particularly Excel, Access, and Visual Basic, and their application to statistical work;
- e) ability to work with a minimum of supervision, and to exercise initiative and judgement.

LANGUAGES:

Fluency in English; working knowledge of French or Spanish would be an asset.

APPLICATIONS:²

An application form may be downloaded from the WTO website - www.wto.org - or requested from:

Personnel Division
WTO
Centre William Rappard
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1211 Geneva 21
Switzerland

Fax: + 41-22-739.57.72

Completed forms should be returned to the above-mentioned address.

CLOSING DATE OF THIS
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²Only applications from nationals of WTO Members will be accepted.