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The International Sugar Organization (ISO) invites applications for the post of Economist.

The Economist would conduct independent economic research and analysis in the Secretariat (alongside a team of another two economists), with particular emphasis on topics related to the relationship between sugar and ethanol prices, drivers of world sugar demand growth and understanding of the key players of world sugar/ethanol supply and demand. The economist must be a skilled professional and at the same time a solid market analyst, able to develop models that are empirically sound and provide pragmatic results and forecasting to enhance the transparency of the world sugar market and trade.

The ideal candidate should have:

- 1. A Master's degree in Economics/Econometrics or equivalent qualification. A PhD qualification would be an advantage;
- 2. 5-10 years of professional experience, with at least four years spent in agricultural commodity markets;
- 3. In-depth knowledge of the world sugar and ethanol market and their key drivers, with a special focus on the main players;
- 4. Thorough understanding of, and practical experience with, the techniques of applied economics and econometrics;
- 5. Ability to apply this understanding to research and commodity analysis, with a capacity to plan effectively, and undertake independent research and commodity analysis to meet deadlines in a dynamic environment;
- 6. Understanding of statistics and familiarity with database design issues;
- 7. Effective communicator, both orally and in writing; excellent interpersonal skills;
- 8. High level of motivation and commitment to the strategic goals of the ISO; and
- 9. Excellent written and oral command of English and ability to relay key results to a broad audience. Knowledge of an ISO official language (French, Russian and Spanish) would be a strong advantage.

The working language of the Secretariat is English. The office of the Secretariat is in London. The economist must be from a member country of the ISO (the full list of the current 87 members of the ISO is available on the website).

Remuneration, and other conditions of employment, will be negotiable within the United Nations salary scale applicable to London consistent with the successful candidate's experience and qualifications.

Application packages including a motivational letter, CV and contact information for three references should be sent electronically to exdir@isosugar.org by Friday 27 September. Short listed candidates will be contacted by Friday 25 October to schedule a personal interview. The successful candidate will ideally join the Secretariat in London from 1 February 2020.

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