

**Opening of the call for applications for the Italian Junior Professional Officers Programme
(JPO Programme)
2024 Edition**

The call for applications for 46 positions in the Italian Junior Professional Officers Programme is open. 12 positions are assigned to different entities of the United Nations Secretariat and 34 to 22 international organizations, for a total of 20 duty stations. 45 positions are reserved for candidates of Italian nationality. 1 position is reserved for candidates from developing countries. The job descriptions of the JPO positions for which candidates can apply are available on the website www.undesa.it.

The deadline for submitting applications to the 2024 round of the Italian JPO Programme is **12 August 2024 at 2 p.m.** (Italy local time).

The Italian JPO Programme is a multilateral development cooperation initiative sponsored by the Government of Italy through the Directorate General for Development Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and implemented by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN/DESA). It enables qualified Italian nationals and nationals of eligible developing countries to gain work experience with international organizations for a period of two years, with the possibility of a further one-year extension.

The purpose of the Programme is two-fold: to assist international organizations in carrying out their activities by providing them with skilled personnel; and, to allow qualified young professionals seeking an international career to make a relevant experience that could broaden their chances of recruitment in international organizations or in the international field.

Starting from the current edition a new procedure for submitting applications to the JPO Programme is established.

Interested candidates will need to access the dedicated online platform and, following the instructions, will be able to submit their application to the chosen position(s). Candidates can apply to a **maximum of three positions**.

The **general** admission requirements for candidates holding the Italian nationality are the following:

- Born on or after 1 January 1993 (1 January 1992 for graduates in Medicine; 1 January 1990 for graduates in Medicine who have already been awarded a post-graduate medical specialization degree)
- Italian nationality
- Fluency in English and Italian
- Advanced university degree awarded before the application deadline, such as:
 - *Laurea Magistrale/Specialistica*
 - *Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico*
 - University Master's degree awarded after a *Laurea/Laurea Triennale*
 - University Master's degree awarded after a Bachelor's degree.

For admission to the Italy-funded JPO Programme candidates from developing countries must meet the following **general** requirements:

- Hold the nationality of one of the developing countries eligible for the position¹
- Born on or after 1 January 1993 (1 January 1992 for graduates in Medicine; 1 January 1990 for graduates in Medicine who have already been awarded a post-graduate medical specialization degree)
- Fluency in English
- Advanced university degree awarded before the application deadline, such as:
 - *Laurea Magistrale/Specialistica*
 - *Laurea Magistrale a ciclo unico*
 - University Master's degree awarded after a *Laurea/Laurea Triennale*
 - University Master's degree awarded after a Bachelor's degree.

Both for candidates of Italian nationality and candidates of foreign nationality admitted to the Programme, the **specific** requirements for each position - such as years of professional experience, additional languages, specific academic qualifications or training, required competencies, etc. - are indicated in job descriptions posted online.

Interested candidates are encouraged to read carefully the [How to Apply](#) webpage before starting the application process.

Applications to the Programme **can only be submitted online** through the Online Web Application tool (OWA) of the UN/DESA Office in Rome. Applications submitted through other channels will not be taken into consideration.

For additional information, please consult the relevant webpages on www.undesa.it or email the UN/DESA Office in Rome at JPOinfo@undesa.it.

List of JPO positions

Organization	Assignment	Duty station
Alliance Bioversity & CIAT	Sustainable Cocoa Value Chain Development Officer	Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire)
Alliance Bioversity & CIAT	Technical Specialist, Vision for Adapted Crops and Soils (VACS)	Nairobi (Kenya)
CDB	Risk Analyst (Climate Finance and Renewable Energy), Office of Risk Management	St. Michael (Barbados)
CEB	JPO in Interagency Coordination	Geneva (Switzerland)
CIHEAM-IAMB	International Cooperation Officer	Bari (Italy)
CIHEAM-IAMB	Expert in Digitalization for Agriculture	Bari (Italy)
FAO	JPO (E-Learning), Learning and Agriculture Information Management Unit	Rome (Italy)
FAO	JPO, Green Cities, Forestry Division	Rome (Italy)

¹ Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Central African Republic, Chad, Colombia, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Kiribati, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Moldova, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Pakistan, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Sudan, State of Palestine, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tanzania, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tunisia, Tuvalu, Ukraine, Uganda, Yemen, Zambia.

Organization	Assignment	Duty station
FAO	JPO, Office of the Chief Economist	Rome (Italy)
FAO	JPO, Emergency and Resilience Operations	Rome (Italy)
IAEA	Associate Energy Analyst, 3E Analysis Unit	Vienna (Austria)
ICO	JPO, Sustainability and Partnerships, Operations Division	London (UK)
IDB	APO in the Country Department, Central America, Haiti, Mexico, Panama and the Dominican Republic	Washington DC (USA)
IFAD	Programme Analyst, Programme Management Department, West and Central Africa Division (WCA)	Dakar (Senegal)
IOM	Project Officer, Migration, Health Promotion and Emergency Response	Conakry (Guinea)
IOM	Project Officer, Labour Market and Skills	Geneva (Switzerland)
IOM	Project Officer, Health Promotion and Assistance	Geneva (Switzerland)
OECD	Junior Policy Analyst, Global Relations and Co-operation Directorate South Asia and Southeast Asia Division - GRC/SASEA	Paris (France)
OECD	Junior Professional Officer, Multilateral Organisation Performance Assessment Network - DCD/MOPAN	Paris (France)
OHCHR	JPO in Human Rights, Western Africa Regional Office	Dakar (Senegal)
UN/DESA	JPO in Economic Affairs, Office of the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development	New York (USA)
UN/DPPA- UN/DPO	JPO in Political Affairs, Departments of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs and Peace Operations, Northern Africa Division	New York (USA)
UN/EOSG*	JPO in Political Affairs and Human Rights	New York (USA)
UN/HABITAT	JPO, External Relations, Strategy, Knowledge and Innovation Division, Global Reports and Trends Unit	Nairobi (Kenya)
UNAIDS	Programme Officer	Lusaka (Zambia)
UNCDF	Programme Analyst, Results Based Management (RBM)	Dakar (Senegal)
UNDP	Climate Change Programme Analyst	Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire)
UNDP	JPO Partnership Analyst, UN SDG Action Campaign	Rome (Italy)
UNDP	Programme Analyst - Digital Innovation Officer	Belgrade (Serbia)
UNDRR	JPO in Programme Management (Early Warning and Risk Knowledge), Regional Office for Africa	Nairobi (Kenya)
UNDSS	JPO in Political Affairs, Division of Field Operations, Operation Centre	New York (USA)
UNEP	Associate Programme Management Officer, Law Division	Nairobi (Kenya)
UNESCO	JPO in Higher Education, Campus Africa flagship programme	Paris (France)
UNFPA	Programme Analyst, Gender	Lusaka (Zambia)
UNHCR	Associate Donor Relations Officer	Geneva (Switzerland)
UNICEF	Child Protection Officer	Nairobi (Kenya)
UNICEF	Child Protection Officer	New York (USA)
UNIDO	JPO, Decarbonization and Sustainable Energy Unit	Vienna (Austria)
UNIDO	JPO in the Division of Agribusiness and Infrastructure Development, Rural Development, Agro-industries and Industrial Parks Unit	Vienna (Austria)

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UNODC	JPO in Programme Management, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice	Maputo (Mozambique)
UNRCO	JPO in Sustainable Development Coordination	Conakry (Guinea)
UNRCO	JPO in Coordination	Amman (Jordan)
UNRCO	JPO in Humanitarian and Emergency Coordination	Kampala (Uganda)
UNSSC	JPO in Women, Peace and Security (Learning Portfolio)	Turin (Italy)
WFP	Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Officer	Kampala (Uganda)
WHO	Technical Officer, Health and Migration	Cairo (Egypt)

* Position reserved for candidates from developing countries