



Job description

Economist, Grade A4
Trade and Agriculture Directorate
Agricultural and Resource Policies Division

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) is an international organisation comprised of 37 member countries, that works to build better policies for better lives. Our mission is to promote policies that will improve the economic and social well-being of people around the world. Together with governments, policy makers and citizens, we work on establishing evidence-based international standards, and finding solutions to a range of social, economic and environmental challenges. From improving economic performance and creating jobs to fostering strong education and fighting international tax evasion, we provide a unique forum and knowledge hub for data and analysis, exchange of experiences, best-practice sharing, and advice on public policies and international standard-setting.

The OECD [Trade and Agriculture Directorate](#) (TAD) provides relevant and timely information and advice to support the efforts of governments to improve the domestic and international performance of their trade, agriculture, food and fishery policies and to maintain the orderly use of export credits.

TAD is looking for a Senior Economist who will assume the responsibilities of Korea country desk officer in the Agricultural and Resource Policies Division within the Directorate for Trade and Agriculture, and lead a project on agricultural policies in the Programme of Work of the Committee for Agriculture. The former involves monitoring and reporting on agricultural policy developments in Korea, estimating PSEs/CSEs and related indicators for Korea, preparing relevant texts for the annual monitoring report, preparing briefing materials for the Director, Deputy Secretaries General or the Secretary-General when requested. A further project will seek to align with the division's activities on innovation and structural change, or on resilience and risk management. S/he may also be asked to act as desk officer for an additional country (or countries). S/he will report directly to the Head of Division.

Main Responsibilities

Analysis and drafting

- Act as country desk officer for two countries. Update and maintain the PSE/CSE data for those countries and draft the country chapters for the annual report on monitoring and evaluation of agricultural policies.
- Participate in the work of the PSE Advisory Group, and contribute technical notes or proposals on methodological or data issues as they arise. These will not generally concern Korea exclusively.
- Prepare a paper for the Working Party on Agricultural Policies and Markets, as anticipated in the Committee for Agriculture's Programme of Work.
- Review papers prepared by colleagues.

Project management

- Take responsibility for a project on agricultural policies from among those for which the ARP Division is responsible. (The precise choice will depend on linguistic and analytical skills and previous experience, and will usually be decided with the official after his arrival).
- Participate in teams working on specific projects.

Meetings and representation



- Present work at meetings of the Working Parties and respond to comments and questions from delegations.
- Attend meetings and seminars.

Candidate's profile

Academic Background

- An advanced university degree in economics.

Professional Background

- At least 8 years' experience in dealing with current agricultural policy issues and with an understanding of the political implications of policy implementation.

Languages

- Excellent communication skills in one of the official languages of the Organisation (English or French) and very good drafting ability in that language. Working knowledge of the other.

Core Competencies

- For this role, the following competencies would be particularly important: Achievement focus, Analytical thinking, Teamwork and Team leadership, Client focus, Diplomatic sensitivity Strategic networking.
- Please refer to the [OECD Core Competencies](#) and the level 4 indicators.

Contract Duration

- Thirteen month fixed term appointment, with the possibility of renewal up to a maximum of 36 months.