

## International Sugar Organization Executive Director

Applications are invited for the post of Executive Director of the International Sugar Organization (ISO) based in London.

The successful candidate shall be a citizen of a member country and will be responsible for the administration of the 1992 International Sugar Agreement (ISA) and the management of the ISO. The full text of the 1992 ISA, its objectives and present list of member countries can be found on the ISO's website: <a href="www.isosugar.org">www.isosugar.org</a>. Candidates will be required to submit a letter of endorsement by their respective governments.

The ISO is the only worldwide inter-governmental organization for sugar, sweeteners and renewable energy from sugar crops as well as for other economic, trade and policy related matters. At present 86 countries are members.

Within its general objectives the Organization performs four distinct functions:

- To further the exchange of views by major producing and consuming countries at an intergovernmental level.
- To contribute to improved market transparency, statistical and economic analysis, including in-depth studies on matters of common interest to members.
- The ISO holds annual seminars, conferences and workshops thereby increasing knowledge and understanding of global, and regional, sugar and ethanol markets and related problems.
- As a designated International Commodity Body (ICB) to the Common Fund for Commodities (CFC) the ISO can sponsor projects from developing member countries seeking finance from the CFC.

The official languages of the Organization are English, French, Russian and Spanish.

The Executive Director will be expected to have the following:

- Leadership qualities
- At least 10 years professional experience with a minimum of five years at management level in government, in an international organization or in a commercial or similar enterprise. Experience in the field of commodities would be an advantage
- At least one degree from a recognised university or institute of higher education
- Knowledge of and experience in, the sugar industry, including diversification
- Initiative and capacity to further develop the strategic vision for the ISO
- Diplomatic skills, including:
  - Experience in working with high-ranking government and industry representatives in foreign countries
  - Capacity to cultivate and develop relationships with the international sugar community.

## Other requirements:

- Candidates will be expected to submit in writing a vision statement on the future role of the ISO in the world sugar community. Short-listed candidates will also be required to make an oral presentation on their vision to the International Sugar Council.
- Candidates should have no vested financial interest in the sugar industry or sugar trade and related activities.
- Excellent knowledge of English, both spoken and written is essential. Knowledge of one or the other of the official languages of the ISO would be desirable.

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.

The successful candidate will assume the post on 1 January 2014 for an initial period of four years. Reappointment is possible.

Written applications in English including a cover letter, a full curriculum vitae, a recent photo, three references, the letter of endorsement by their supporting government and the vision statement should be sent by post to:

Dr. Peter Baron, Executive Director, International Sugar Organization, 1 Canada Square, London E14 5AA, United Kingdom

The deadline for receipt of applications is 26 April 2013.