United Nations Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals

Associate Legal Officer, P-2

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OFFICE : Office of the Prosecutor

LOCATION : The Hague

JOB OPENING NUMBER : 18-LEG-RMT-94179-R-THE HAGUE (R)

United Nations Core Values: Integrity, Professionalism, Respect for Diversity

Organizational setting and Reporting:

The post is located in the Office of the Prosecutor (OTP) of the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals (MICT), The Hague Branch. The incumbent will work under the direct supervision of the Senior Trial Attorney and Trial Attorneys on the Stanisic and Simatovic trial team.

Responsibilities:

The incumbent will perform the following duties:

- Assist in evidence analysis and the preparation of legal arguments, briefs, motions and other written pleadings, and draft background memoranda.
- Undertake legal research on a diverse range of factual, procedural and substantive issues in criminal law, international law, and international humanitarian law using multiple research sources; select relevant material, analyse information and present findings for internal review in either written or oral form.
- Assist in the preparation of evidence, interviewing of witnesses, and the evaluation of testimony and evidence admitted during trial.
- If assigned by the Senior Trial Attorney, examine witnesses in court.
- · Perform other duties and special assignments as required.

Core Competencies:

- Professionalism Knowledge of international legal procedures and instruments, including international criminal law, with a particular emphasis on the legal practice of the ICTY/MICT and factual knowledge of the conflicts in the former Yugoslavia. Knowledge and understanding of theories, concepts, and approaches relevant to criminal investigations; good research, analytical, and problem-solving skills, including ability to identify and participate in the resolution of issues/problems; familiarity with and experience in the use of various research methodologies and sources, including electronic sources on the internet, intranet, and other databases; ability to apply good judgement in the context of assignments given; ability to plan own work and manage conflicting priorities. Shows pride in work and in achievements; demonstrates professional competence and mastery of subject matter; is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results; is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns; shows persistence when faced with difficult problems; remains calm in stressful situations.
- Teamwork Works collaboratively with colleagues to achieve organisational goals; solicits input by genuinely valuing
 others' ideas and expertise; is willing to learn from others; places team agenda before personal agenda; supports and acts
 in accordance with final group decision, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position; shares credit for
 team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.
- Planning and Organising Develops clear goals that are consistent with agreed strategies; identifies priority activities and assignments, adjusts priorities as required; allocates appropriate amount of time and resources for completing work; foresees risks and allows for contingencies when planning; monitors and adjusts plans and actions as necessary; uses time efficiently.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education:

Advanced university degree in law with specialisation in international, criminal or humanitarian law. A first level university degree in combination with two additional years of qualifying experience may be accepted in lieu of an advanced university degree.

Work Experience:

Minimum of 2 years of progressively responsible professional legal experience, at either the national or international level, with emphasis in criminal law, international law or humanitarian law.

Languages:

English and French are the working languages of the Mechanism. For the post advertised, fluency in written and spoken English, with excellent drafting and oral ability, is required. A working knowledge of French is desirable.

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Assessment Method:

There may be a technical test followed by a competency-based interview.

Special Notice:

The appointment is limited to the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals. Appointment of the successful candidate on this position will be limited to the initial funding of the post. Extension of the appointment is subject to the extension of the mandate and/or the availability of funds. As the international tribunals are not integrated in the Secretariat, UN Staff Members serve on assignment or secondment from their parent department/office if selected. Appointments of staff members in the United Nations are subject to the authority of the Secretary-General. Staff Members are expected to move periodically to new functions in accordance with established rules and procedures, and may in this context be reassigned by the Secretary-General throughout the Organization based on the changing needs and mandates.

NOTE FOR PREVIOUSLY ROSTERED CANDIDATES

Roster candidates must express their interest and availability for published job openings by submitting an updated PHP and cover letter.

No Fee:

THE UNITED NATIONS DOES NOT CHARGE A FEE AT ANY STAGE OF THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS (APPLICATION, INTERVIEW MEETING, PROCESSING, TRAINING OR ANY OTHER FEES). THE UNITED NATIONS DOES NOT CONCERN ITSELF WITH INFORMATION ON BANK ACCOUNTS.

United Nations Considerations

Candidates will be required to meet the requirements of Article 101, paragraph 3, of the Charter as well as the requirements of the position. The United Nations is committed to the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity for all its human resources, including but not limited to respect for international human rights and humanitarian law. Candidates may be subject to screening against these standards, including but not limited to whether they have committed, or are alleged to have committed criminal offences and/or violations of international human rights law and international humanitarian law.

The United Nations shall place no restrictions on the eligibility of men and women to participate in any capacity and under conditions of equality in its principal and subsidiary organs. (Charter of the United Nations - Chapter 3, article 8). The United Nations Secretariat is a non-smoking environment.

Applicants are urged to follow carefully all instructions available in the online recruitment platform, inspira. For more detailed guidance, applicants may refer to the At-a-Glance on "The Application Process" and the Instructional Manual for the Applicants, which can be accessed by clicking on "Manuals" hyper-link on the upper right side of inspira account-holder homepage.

Applications are pre-screened by the system according to the published requirements of the job opening on the basis of the information provided in the application. In relation to the requirements of the job opening, applicants must provide complete and accurate information pertaining to their qualifications, including their education, work experience, and language skills. Each applicant must bear in mind that submission of incomplete or inaccurate applications may render that applicant ineligible for consideration for the job opening. Initial screening and evaluation of applications will be conducted on the basis of the information submitted. Applications cannot be amended following submission. Candidates under serious consideration for selection will be subject to a reference-checking process to verify the information provided in the application.

Job openings advertised on the Careers Portal will be removed at midnight (New York time) on the deadline date.

HOW TO APPLY:

All applications must be submitted through the UN Inspira portal. The Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals is not able to accept applications for this vacancy via email.

Internal applicants may go to https://inspira.un.org

External applicants may go to https://careers.un.org