United Nations International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals

Temporary Job Opening (Duration until 31 December 2022)

LANGUAGE REFERENCE ASSISTANT (FRENCH), G-5

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS : 8 August 2022
DATE OF ISSUANCE : 2 August 2022
OFFICE : Registry/Language Services Section
LOCATION : The Hague
JOB OPENING NUMBER : 2022/TJO/IRMCT/REG/LSS/136-GS

Organizational setting and Reporting:
This position is located in the Language Services Section, Registry, under the direction of the Chief of Conference and Language Services Section, IRMCT.

Responsibilities:
Under the supervision of the Head, French Translation Unit, LSS IRMCT, the incumbent of the post is responsible for receiving documents for translation from clients (Registry, Chambers, OTP, Office of the President and all other sections of the Mechanism) through the Translation Tracking System (TTS), assigning documents for translation to available in-house French translators and ensuring an equitable distribution of the workload. The incumbent discusses requirements for the translation with the requesting party; negotiates deadlines when necessary, taking into account the nature and complexity of the documents, the needs of the requester and the capacity of translation resources. When required, assists ODM in document management through TTS.

The incumbent performs a variety of linguistic tasks from English into French: proofreads and formats translations of texts; assists in referencing of documents; carries out research for translators upon request. Uses in-house terminology databases and applies other LSS conventions to ensure accuracy of translations and consistency with in-house usage and provides other administrative support assignments for the LSS as required.

Core Competencies:
• Professionalism: 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 or challenges. Remains calm in stressful situations. Commitment to implementing the goal of gender equality by ensuring the equal participation and full involvement of women and men in all aspects of work.

• 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 assigns 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: High school diploma or equivalent; demonstrated ability to use computer technology.

Experience: 5 years related administrative/language experience, preferably in an international environment.

Language: English and French are the working languages of the Mechanism. For this post fluency in written and oral French and English is required. Knowledge of other languages is an asset.
NOTE FOR INTERNAL CANDIDATES:
1) Staff at the G-4 and G-5 level are eligible to apply.
2) Interested staff members must complete the UN Personal History Profile (PHP) form obtainable via personal inspiration account (in PDF format) or the IRMCT website. Please submit all documents including the PHP, a cover letter, and the last two e-PASS’s to recruitmentR@un.org in-box. Please indicate the job opening number in the subject line.
3) Once received, a list of candidates who meet the requirements of the post will be sent to the supervisor, who will prepare a written comparative analysis of the candidates and recommend a candidate for the position. Please note that only short listed candidate(s) will be informed of the outcome.
4) Applicants may have to sit the United Nations Global General Services Test (GGST) as per information circular ICTY/IC/2004/49 of 2 September 2004.

NOTE FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:
1) External applicants must complete the UN Personal History Profile (PHP) form obtainable from the IRMCT website (www.irmct.org) and forward electronically along with a cover letter to the recruitmentR@un.org in-box. Please indicate the job opening number in the subject line.
2) Once received, a list of candidates who meet the requirements of the post will be sent to the supervisor, who will prepare a written comparative analysis of the candidates and recommend a candidate for the position. Please note that only short listed candidate(s) will be informed of the outcome.
3) Applicants may have to sit the United Nations Global General Services Test (GGST) as per information circular ICTY/IC/2004/49 of 2 September 2004. Candidates who have passed the GGST or ASAT must provide evidence when submitting their application.
4) The appointment of the successful candidate will be on a local basis.

Special Notice:
The United Nations Secretariat is committed to achieving 50/50 gender balance in its staff. Female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply for this position.

The appointment is limited to the International Residual Mechanism for 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.

The United Nations is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment of mutual respect. The United Nations recruits and employs staff regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, race, religious, cultural and ethnic backgrounds or disabilities. Reasonable accommodation for applicants with disabilities may be provided to support participation in the recruitment process when requested and indicated in the application.

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.

United Nations Considerations
According to article 101, paragraph 3, of the Charter of the United Nations, the paramount consideration in the employment of the staff is the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence, and integrity. Candidates will not be considered for employment with the United Nations if they have committed violations of international human rights law, violations of international humanitarian law, sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, or sexual harassment, or if there are reasonable grounds to believe that they have been involved in the commission of any of these acts. The term “sexual exploitation” means any actual or attempted abuse of a position of vulnerability, differential power, or trust, for sexual purposes, including, but not limited to, profiting monetarily, socially or politically from the sexual exploitation of another. The term “sexual abuse” means the actual or threatened physical intrusive of a sexual nature, whether by force or under unequal or coercive conditions. The term “sexual harassment” means any unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that might reasonably be expected or be perceived to cause offence or humiliation, when such conduct interferes with work, is made a condition of employment or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment, and when the gravity of the conduct warrants the termination of the perpetrator’s working relationship. Candidates who have committed crimes other than minor traffic offences may not be considered for employment.

Please note that applications received after the deadline at midnight (the Hague time) on the closing date will not be accepted. Only the selected candidate will be notified of the outcome.