

United Nations Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals

PUBLIC INFORMATION ASSISTANT, G-5*

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS	:	04 October 2017
DATE OF ISSUANCE	:	05 September 2017
OFFICE	:	Registry/Communications
LOCATION	:	The Hague
JOB OPENING NUMBER	:	2017/MICT/REG/COMM/036-GS

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

Organizational setting and Reporting:

This position is located in the External Relations Office at The Hague branch of the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals (MICT). The incumbent will work under the supervision of the MICT Associate Public Information Officer/Spokesperson in The Hague, and under overall supervision of the MICT External Relations Officer.

Responsibilities:

The incumbent will be a key contact person for media representatives, filtering enquiries, assessing the nature of requests and determining the best course of action to be undertaken. Provide journalists with factual information and/or factual statements regarding the MICT. Assist the Spokesperson and the External Relations Officer in the discharge of their duties, including conducting research, drafting press releases, advisories, responses to media interview questions, proofreading and editing of public information material, reports and other content. Respond to a variety of inquiries and requests for information/documents from the press and other agencies. Assist in drafting and disseminating MICT information communication products and services for the press and the general public. Assist in creating, updating and managing content for the internal information platform ('Tribunet') as well as for the social media channels, including YouTube, Twitter and Facebook. Seek opportunities to promote the work of the MICT and develop media strategies. Follow developments in all ongoing cases; keep the mailing lists and forward planning events calendar up to date and plan media activities accordingly. Coordinate important media events, involving liaising with the media to provide advance notice of, and information on, upcoming briefings and special events and ascertaining coverage requirements, coordinating technical arrangements and organizing and allocating space for visiting media organizations and ensuring smooth coordination with other departments such as security, audio-visual and Court Management. Evaluate and process press accreditation requests. Prepare press clippings regarding the MICT and the region of the former Yugoslavia and East Africa and disseminate internally as required. Cooperate and provide support as required to the Arusha branch of the Mechanism in the implementation of the public information strategy and activities. Supervise the work of interns. Provide general administrative support to the unit, including maintaining files and records and various databases. Perform other ad-hoc duties as requested.

Core Competencies:

- **Professionalism** – Ability to produce first draft of various communication materials. Strong understanding of the functions of the work unit and of the organizational structure and respective roles of related units; knowledge of internal policies, processes and procedures generally and in particular those related to the communication, production and dissemination of public information. 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. 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.
- **Communication** – Speaks and writes clearly and effectively; listens to others, correctly interprets messages from others and responds appropriately; asks questions to clarify, and exhibits interest in having two way communication; tailors language, tone, style and format to match the audience; demonstrates openness in sharing information and keeping people informed.
- **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.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education: High school diploma; demonstrated ability to use computer technology.

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Work Experience: Minimum 5 years related administrative and/or specialized experience in a public communications environment.

Languages: English and French are the working languages of the Mechanism. For the post advertised, fluency in oral and written English is required. Knowledge of Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian is an asset.

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

Special Notice:
The appointment is limited to the Mechanism. ***Appointment of the successful candidate to this position will be subject to budgetary approval.** Extension of the appointment is subject to the extension of the mandate and/or the availability of funds. Appointments of staff members in the United Nations are subject to the authority of the Secretary-General.

HOW TO APPLY:

NOTE FOR INTERNAL CANDIDATES:

- 1) Staff at the G-4 and G-5 levels are eligible to apply; the requirement for one year post occupancy is applicable.
- 2) Interested staff members must complete the UN Personal History Profile (PHP) form obtainable via personal inspira accounts (in PDF format) or the MICT website. Please submit all documents including the PHP, a Cover Letter, and the last two e-PAS's **ELECTRONICALLY AS ONE DOCUMENT** to the RMRecruitment@icty.org in-box. Please indicate the job opening number in the subject line.
- 3) Applicants may have to sit the United Nations Global General Services Test (GGST) as per OHRM instructions.

NOTE FOR EXTERNAL CANDIDATES:

- 1) External applicants must complete the UN Personal History Profile (PHP) form obtainable from the MICT website (www.unmict.org) and forward electronically **AS ONE DOCUMENT** to the RMRecruitment@icty.org in-box. Please indicate the job opening number in the subject line. Applicants may have to sit the United Nations Global General Services Test (GGST) as per OHRM instructions.
- 2) The appointment of the successful candidate will be on a local basis therefore he/she will be responsible for all travel expenses incurred in connection with this recruitment.

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.
