Reporting Line:

The position as Legal Officer is located in the Registry’s Chambers Legal Support Unit, to be deployed as needed to the Judges’ Chambers, in either the Basic Court (Pre-Trial and/or Trial Panel), the Court of Appeal or the Supreme Court Chambers. When deployed, the Legal Officer reports to the Senior Legal Officer of the relevant Chamber.

Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To provide specialised legal and judicial administrative support to the Judges through the Senior Legal Officer;
- To conduct legal research, particularly on international criminal law, international humanitarian and criminal law and international administrative law;
- In cooperation with the Senior Legal Officer, prepare draft memoranda, decisions and judgments on cases assigned;
- To undertake legal analysis of judgments and evidence, assessing submissions and authorities submitted by parties;
- To monitor the relevant developments in international law;
- To undertake any other related tasks as requested by the Line Managers.

Additional Information:

- Temporary re-assignment to other units of the Specialist Chambers may be applicable due to operational demands/requirements.

Essential Qualifications and Experience:

- Successful completion of University studies of at least three (3) years, attested by a diploma OR a qualification in the National Qualifications Framework which is equivalent to level 6 in the European Qualifications Framework OR a qualification of the first cycle under the framework of qualifications of the European Higher Education Area e.g. Bachelor's degree.

AND

- A minimum of seven (7) years of relevant professional experience, after having fulfilled the education requirements.

Specification of Education and Experience

- The above mentioned University degree must be in at least one of the following fields of expertise: Law with a specialisation in international, criminal or humanitarian law or other related university studies;
- A minimum of four (4) years of progressively responsible legal experience, at either the national or international level;
- Extensive knowledge and practical experience of criminal law/international criminal law or humanitarian law;
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills (verbal, written and presentational);
- Excellent drafting and reporting skills;
• Ability to work productively in a fast-paced, team-oriented environment and produce accurate work under pressure and in difficult circumstances;
• Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with people of different national and/or cultural backgrounds with respect for diversity;
• Demonstrated gender awareness and sensitivity, ability to promote an inclusive working environment and integrate a gender perspective into tasks and responsibilities.

Desirable
• International experience, particularly in crisis areas with multi-national and international organisations;
• Knowledge of the functioning of the EU and in particular CSDP Missions;
• Good understanding of the political, cultural and security situation of the Balkans, in particular Kosovo.