Reporting Line:

The Translator (Albanian) reports to the Head of Language Services Unit or other senior LSU staff, as designated by the Head of Unit.

Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To translate, subject to revision, a variety of mostly legal texts from English into Albanian;
- To maintain a high standard of accuracy, consistency and faithfulness to the spirit, style, register and nuances of the original;
- To observe the in-house terminology and usage and strive for consistency with reference texts and with the output of other translators;
- The level of revision required should decrease as more experience is gained, the ultimate goal being that work produced needs only monitoring by a reviser;
- To translate using the in-house computer-assisted translation and terminology software;
- To conduct the requisite research, drawing on reference and terminology materials, background information, and consultation within the Kosovo Specialist Chambers, as appropriate;
- To work to deadline and produce a set volume of output due account being taken of the difficulty of the text and specified deadlines;
- To identify new terminological material for the consideration of revisers and other senior colleagues;
- To undertake any other related tasks as requested by the Line Managers.

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: Modern Languages, Translation or other related university studies;
- A minimum of five (5) years of experience in the context of an international tribunal, an international organization or an international body dealing with legal matters;
- Native command of Albanian and excellent knowledge of English is required;
- Good computer skills, familiarity with standard computer applications (Windows XP, Word, Access, Lotus Notes, Excel, etc.) and ability to harness internet resources;
- Knowledge of computer-assisted translation and terminology systems;
- Excellent organizational, interpersonal and communication (both verbal and written) skills;
• Solid writing and editorial skills, acute sensitivity to nuance and attention to detail;
• Ability to prioritize and manage a high workload while complying with deadlines;
• Ability to work effectively and accurately under pressure;
• Ability to act with utmost discretion and maintain confidentiality;
• Ability to lead a translation team working to deadlines;
• Ability to provide guidance and coaching and to improve staff motivation;
• Ability to establish and maintain effective and constructive working relationships with people of different national or cultural backgrounds.

Desirable
• Knowledge of other official language of the Kosovo Specialist Chambers and Specialist Prosecutor's Office (Serbian) will be considered a strong asset;
• Good understanding of the political, cultural and security situation of the Balkans, in particular Kosovo;
• Substantial knowledge of the functioning of the EU and in particular CSDP missions.

Additional information
• Applicants may be required to sit a competitive translation test.