Position:	Employment Regime:	Post Category:
Legal Officer/Associate Team	Seconded/Contracted	Management Level ML-1
Leader		
Ref. number:	Location:	Availability:
555	The Hague, the Netherlands	ASAP
Component/Department/Unit:	Security Clearance Level:	Open to Contributing
Specialist Prosecutor's Office/	EU SECRET or equivalent	Third States:
Legal and Case Management Unit/		Yes
Legal Advisory Team		

Reporting Line:

The Legal Officer/Associate Team Leader reports to the Senior Legal Advisor.

Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To deputize for and carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Legal Officer/Team Leader in his/her absence, including but not limited to planning, organizing and managing the work of the team:
- To assist the Legal Officer/Team Leader with a variety of special assignments;
- To advise and support in managing and overseeing the work of the staff in the team;
- To assist the Specialist Prosecutor's Office (SPO) in pre-trial, trial or appellate proceedings, under the day to day supervision of the Legal Officer/Team Leader, primarily in the preparation of written legal submissions, including, as appropriate, indictment, briefs, motions/responses/replies, and communications with other parties in the proceedings in the course of investigations and prosecutions;
- To conduct legal research using multiple research sources and provide advice on the applicable law, international human rights principles and humanitarian law concerning cases of serious crimes;
- To assist the SPO Prosecutors in fulfilling pre-trial and trial obligations towards the other parties in the proceedings including first or second level pre-disclosure review of evidence;
- To assist the SPO Prosecutors as a legal officer/investigator under the supervision of a Prosecutor in pre-trial, trial or appellate proceedings;
- To conduct witness interviews and proof witnesses prior to trial;
- To coordinate, with the Chambers and Registry Court Management officials, as required;
- To undertake any other relevant task 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 <u>OR</u> a qualification in the National Qualifications Framework which is equivalent to level 6 in the European Qualifications Framework <u>OR</u> a qualification of the first cycle under the framework of qualifications of the European Higher Education Area e.g. Bachelor's degree.

<u>AND</u>

• A minimum of ten (10) years of relevant professional experience, after having fulfilled the education requirements

Specification of Education and Experience

- The above mentioned University degree must be in Law, or otherwise qualified to practice law in a domestic jurisdiction;
- A minimum of ten (10) years of professional experience in criminal law either as a lawyer, prosecutor or judge, legal officer/jurist at a prosecution office or court, defense attorney, injured party legal representative or legal officer at an international tribunal or hybrid international court;
- Experience in coordinating and reviewing draft legal documents and legal filings, and in coaching, mentoring and otherwise developing legal drafting skills;

- Extensive experience in drafting court submissions in international criminal cases and excellent legal drafting skills;
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills in English, both written and oral;
- Excellent organizational skills and ability to work with a minimum supervision;
- Ability to work productively in a fast-paced, team-oriented environment and produce accurate work under pressure;
- Ability to maintain effective, constructive working relationships with people of different national and/or cultural backgrounds.

Desirable

- Experience in the investigation and prosecution/defense of war crimes or organized crime in national jurisdictions, hybrid national/international courts and international tribunals;
- Knowledge of the functioning of the EU and in particular CSDP Missions;
- Ability to perform under stress and in difficult circumstances.