



SPECIAL TRIBUNAL FOR LEBANON

المحكمة الخاصة بلبنان

TRIBUNAL SPÉCIAL POUR LE LIBAN

Vacancy Announcement

VACANCY REF:	NL-CHA-PTC-P3-214
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:	13 March 2010
ISSUANCE DATE:	12 February 2010
LOCATION:	Leidschendam, The Netherlands
DIVISION/SECTION:	Chambers/Pre-Trial Chamber
TITLE:	Legal Officer
GRADE:	P3

Depending on professional background, experience and family situation, a competitive compensation and benefits package will be offered. The successful applicant will be offered a fixed-term appointment of one year limited to the Special Tribunal for Lebanon (STL). Any subsequent extension(s) are subject to terms of the Tribunal's mandate and/or the availability of the funds. The Special Tribunal for Lebanon is an international inter-governmental organization with its own independent legal identity and not a UN organization. However, STL follows the UN common system for benefits and entitlements to its staff members. UN staff members may also serve on loan from their parent department/office, if selected.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Assist the Judges and the Senior Legal Officer (or, depending on circumstances, the Chef de Cabinet) in planning, organizing and coordinating activities within Chambers. Provide specialized legal and judicial administrative support. Duties include: extensive legal research, particularly on international and criminal law; preparation of draft memoranda and court decisions and judgments; legal analysis of judgments and evidence; assessing appeal briefs and authorities submitted by parties; maintaining files on Tribunal practice and development; monitoring relevant developments in international law; organising seminars and lectures for the benefit of Chambers and the Tribunal as a whole. Perform other duties as required.

COMPETENCIES:

- **Professionalism** – Knowledge of international criminal procedural and substantive law at ; experience in applying legal expertise to a diverse range of complex legal issues; analytical skills and ability to conduct comprehensive legal research; proficiency in legal drafting and ability to prepare legal memoranda and opinions under pressure and short deadlines; ability to work in an efficient and directed manner; discretion and sound judgment in applying legal expertise to sensitive, complex legal issues; ability to work to tight deadlines and handle multiple concurrent projects/cases; ability to supervise legal research, analysis, drafting and editing of judicial documents.
- **Communication** – Strong interpersonal and communication skills. Ability to listen and demonstrate openness in sharing information and keeping team informed.
- **Teamwork** – Ability to establish and maintain effective working relations with people of different national and cultural backgrounds with respect for diversity. Ability to place team agenda before agendas of individuals, to act in accordance with final group decision and to accept joint responsibility for team tasks.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Education: University Degree in Law, preferably with a specialization in international, criminal, or international criminal law.

Work Experience: A minimum of 7 years of professional legal experience at the national or international level, with an emphasis in criminal or international law. Experience in another international tribunal is highly desirable. Possession of an advance university degree in a relevant field may be considered in substitution of years of experience.

Languages: Arabic, English and French are the official languages of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. For this post, proficiency in oral and written English and French is required. Knowledge of Arabic is an asset.

Other: Proven ability to conduct comprehensive yet rapid analysis. Proven drafting skills in at least one of the working languages of the Special Tribunal and ability to use computer applications. Ability to work under pressure and meet strict deadline. Knowledge of the functioning of the United Nations and of international Tribunals is highly desirable.

HOW TO APPLY

1. **ALL APPLICANTS** are requested to complete a Special Tribunal Personal History Form available at the Website: <http://www.stl-tsl.org>

2. **ALL APPLICATIONS** should be submitted by the deadline via email to: stl-recruitment@un.org

It is not necessary at this stage to send copies of qualifications, previous employment contracts, entire publications, etc.

Only applicants who are under serious consideration will be contacted. The Tribunal is not in a position to respond to queries regarding information on the status of vacancies or unsolicited open applications.