

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Legal Associate Calabria

Major Duties and Responsibilities:

In the context of the Praesidium VIII project, funded by the Ministry of Interior-Department for Civil Liberties and Immigration, the Legal Associate will, if appropriate in cooperation with the other partners of the project (IOM, Italian Red Cross and Save the Children), carry out the following activities:

- a) monitor the admission/rejection practice of the competent authorities regarding the arrivals of "mixed flows", inter alia by carrying out missions to the reception centers and – as appropriate – to relevant sea ports and areas of spontaneous arrivals and by
 - participating, as appropriate, in the identification- and screening procedure applied by the competent police forces;
 - carrying out, as appropriate, separate interviews with potential asylum seekers arriving via sea;
 - gathering any other useful information regarding the a/m admission practice from other available sources;
- b) ensure that information on the possibility to apply for asylum procedure is disseminated among all arrivals (i.a. also through the distribution of information material) and that - potential - asylum seekers are provided with adequate legal counseling;
- c) ensure that those who intend to apply for asylum are admitted to the asylum procedure;
- d) carry out monitoring visits in reception (CSPAs, CDAs, CARAs) and expulsion centers (CIEs), in the context of the Addendum to the Praesidium project and to advocate with Prefectures for the strengthening of monitoring activities and the introduction of complaint mechanisms in the reception centers. In this regard, contribute to the elaboration of a set of common standards, criteria and methodologies for monitoring activities;
- e) establish and maintain contacts with all relevant actors involved, in particular with the local authorities, the local Prefectures, the police and other public security forces, camp management and -operators, relevant NGOs, with the competent officials of the Ministry of Interior and the other implementing partners of the project;
- f) organize locally meetings and appropriate training events, involving competent State authorities, local authorities, NGOs and other actors involved, with a view to contribute to the the roll-out and the mainstreaming of the 'good practices' developed within the Praesidium project, to promote the formal adoption of local protocols as an operational reference for a protection-sensitive management of the sea

arrivals and to facilitate the creation of information exchange mechanisms among all actors involved in the management of arrivals;

g) respect the confidentiality of any sensitive information and adhere to the UNHCR Code of Conduct;

h) perform other protection-related duties as required.

Qualifications Required:

- University Degree in law, political science or related areas.
- At least two years of experience in the field of asylum/refugee procedures.
- Fluency in Italian and English.
- Command of Microsoft Office applications;

Starting Date: 01 November 2013

Envisaged Duration: 2 months, possible extension 12 months

Duty Station: Crotone and Lampedusa

Remuneration: UNOPS ICA terms and conditions

How to Apply: Interested candidates are invited to fill the Personal History Form (P.11) which can be downloaded at www.unhcr.org/recruit/p11new.doc and send the duly completed form, together with a motivation letter, a detailed resume in English by mail to Ms. Monica Amirfeiz, c/o UNHCR, Via Alberto Caroncini 19, 00197, Rome or by e-mail to amirfeiz@unhcr.org

Closing Date for Applications: (new) 10 October 2013

Please note that:

- Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview.