

International Criminal Court

Job Title and Level:	Chief, Legal Advisory Services Section (P-5)
Vacancy Announcement No:	2020EE-RE
Deadline for Applications:	31.07.2012
Organizational Unit :	Legal Advisory Services Section, Registry
Duty Station :	The Hague
Type of Appointment:	Established Post
Post number :	ICC-3130-P-5-E-9677
Minimum Net Annual Salary (Single Rate) (EURO) :	€ 94,052

Contract Duration

One year with the possibility of extension (six months probationary period)

[Candidates who have already submitted an application for the previous vacancies (1007EE-RE and 1142EE-RE) NEED TO RE-APPLY].

Duties & Responsibilities

The Registry Legal Advisory Services Section (RLASS) reports directly to the Registrar and has as its main objective to provide legal advice to the Registrar, the Sections of the Registry, and other senior officials of the Court on questions regarding the general legal framework which governs the work of the Court insofar as they are relevant for the duties assigned to the Registry under the Statute and Rules of Procedure and Evidence. This includes, inter alia, questions of international institutional law including privileges and immunities, international administrative law, procurement issues, the law of contracts and international agreements, general public international law, victims and witnesses issues, defence counsel matters, domestic implementation of the Rome Statute and ICC case-law.

Within delegated authority and under the general supervision of the Registrar, the incumbent will be responsible for the following duties:

1) To provide and to oversee the provision of legal advice to the Registrar, the Sections of the Registry and other senior officials of the Court in accordance with the mandate of the Section as described above. This includes the oversight of Registry decisions and filings, in close coordination with the Immediate Office of the Registrar and the Division of Court Services;

2) More in particular (a) to organize and supervise legal research on highly complex legal issues, prepare legal opinions, studies, policies, briefs, reports and correspondences; (b) to develop legal databases in relation to the fields listed above; (c) to represent, or supervise the representation of the Court before the relevant fora on major cases involving allegations of breaches of the terms of appointment of staff; (d) to supervise the defence and pursuit of claims, negotiate the settlement of major claims, and prepare legal documentation relating to such settlements; (e) in coordination with relevant sections, to prepare or oversee the development of standards operating procedures and protocols required by operational activities of the Registry.

3) To represent the Registrar or the Deputy Registrar at high level meetings when required;

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To serve on various standing boards, committees, working groups, and task forces as required;
To manage the Section, organize and prioritize the workload, and to provide general supervision and coordination and supervision of assignments;

6) Any other assignments, as required.

Essential Qualifications

Advanced university degree in international or comparative law. A PhD in one of these fields would be considered an asset. Minimum of ten years of progressively responsible professional legal experience (twelve years with a first level university degree), including at least 5 years at the international level. Superior skills in legal writing and expression and ability to independently prepare legal briefs, opinions, or legal submissions, and a variety of legal instruments and related documents for direct submission to senior officials. Recognition as an expert in a relevant field of law as evidenced through extensive experience and a proven track record of coordinating and delivering complex products and services, including conducting advisory services, and thorough development and dissemination of best practices. Proven experience in the building and maintenance of legal databases. Proven experience in legal drafting, including the drafting of national legislation and assistance to the legislative process. Proven experience in the identification and promotion of good practices. Original and creative thinking, independent judgement and discretion in handling major legal issues / cases. Highly developed negotiating skills and ability to persuade and influence others to reach agreement. Demonstrated planning, management and organizational skills and ability to coordinate the work of teams and individuals, ensuring the quality and timeliness of outputs. Excellent interpersonal and communication (spoken, written and presentational) skills, including ability to defend difficult issues and positions to senior officials. Demonstrated intellectual leadership and ability to integrate knowledge with broader strategic, policy and operational objectives. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relations with people of different national and cultural backgrounds with respect for diversity.

KNOWLEGDE OF LANGUAGES

Fluency in either of the working languages of the Court, English or French is required and working knowledge of the other is essential. Knowledge of another official language of the Court would be considered an asset. International Criminal Court



General Information

- The selected candidate will be subject to a Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) process in accordance with ICC policy. The PSC process will include but will not be limited to, verification of the information provided in the personal history form and a criminal record check;

- Applicants may check the status of vacancies on ICC E-Recruitment web-site;

- Post to be filled preferably by a national of a State Party to the ICC Statute, or of a State which has signed and is engaged in the ratification process or which is engaged in the accession process, but nationals from non-state parties may also be considered;

- In accordance with the Rome Statute, the ICC aims to achieve fair representation of women and men for all positions, representation of the principal legal systems of the world for legal positions, and equitable geographical representation for positions in the professional category;

- Applications from female candidates are particularly encouraged;

- The Court reserves the right not to make any appointment to the vacancy, to make an appointment at a lower grade, or to make an appointment with a modified job description.

- The International Criminal Court is a member organization of the Inter-Organization Mobility Accord and is interested in secondment of staff from organizations of the United Nations Common System.