



**UNITED NATIONS SUPPORT OFFICE FOR SOMALIA
(UNSOS)**

**UNITED NATIONS CORE VALUES: INTEGRITY, PROFESSIONALISM, RESPECT FOR DIVERSITY
THIS POSITION IS OPEN TO KENYA NATIONALS ONLY AND DOES NOT HAVE INTERNATIONAL BENEFITS
FEMALE CANDIDATES ARE PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY**

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| DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: | 01 SEPTEMBER 2017 |
| DATE OF ISSUANCE: | 02 AUGUST 2017 |
| FUNCTIONAL TITLE: | ASSOCIATE PROCUREMENT OFFICER (TWO POSITIONS) |
| LEVEL: | NO-B |
| SECTION: | PROCUREMENT |
| LOCATION: | NAIROBI |
| DURATION OF CONTRACT: | ONE (01) YEAR FIXED TERM |
| VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: | UNSOS/PROC/016/2017 |

Special Notice

This position is funded for an initial period of one year, extension of appointment will be subject to budgetary approval. Appointment against this post is on a local basis. The candidate is responsible for any travel expenses incurred in order to take-up the appointment. All applicants are strongly encouraged to apply on-line as soon as possible after the job opening has been posted and well before the deadline stated in the job opening.

Interested applicants who are working with UN Contractors must fulfil the obligations of their contracts with the UN Contractors in order to be eligible to apply for this vacancy.

Organizational Setting and Reporting Relationships:

This position is located in the Procurement Section in Nairobi. The Associate Procurement Officer at this level reports to the Procurement Section Team Leader.

Duties and Responsibilities;

Within delegated authority the Associate Procurement Officer will be responsible for the following duties

- Plans procurement actions for assigned projects, which typically involve the procurement of a select group of technically complex commodities or services, or for a variety of goods and services of a general nature.
- Reviews and analyses technical specifications to ensure completeness, accuracy and competitive qualities, and identifies optional courses of action.
- Assists staff in matters regarding procurement policies and procedures, technical specifications, pricing and product/service availability, as well as appropriate substitutes or alternative options to reduce costs.
- Develops vendor pre-qualifying criteria, identifies product sources and evaluates vendor performance as regards quality, prices, delivery, equipment, etc.
- Solicits and evaluates bids/proposals/quotations to ensure overall competitiveness, quality, and conformity to specified requirements.
- Compiles and presents procurement data; prepares all relevant supporting documents and recommends approval of the contract or purchase order; may authorize purchases in line with delegated authority, and, in cases where the amount exceeds authorized signature authority, prepares submissions to the Contracts Committee for review and subsequent approval by the authorized official.
- Coordinates timely delivery of goods and services.
- Participates in the market and supplier research.
- Prepares a variety of reports, correspondence, and documents (e.g. purchase orders, contracts and amendments) on procurement-related matters.
- Performs other duties as assigned

Competencies:

Professionalism: Shows pride in work and in achievements; Demonstrates professional competence and mastery of subject matter; Is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results; Is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns; Shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges; remains calm in stressful situations; Takes responsibility for incorporating gender perspectives and ensuring the equal participation of women and men in all areas of work.

Planning& Organizing: Develops clear goals that are consistent with agreed strategies; Identifies priority activities and assignments; Adjusts priorities as required; Allocates appropriate amount of time and resources for completing work; Foresees risks and allows for contingencies when planning; Monitors and adjusts plans and actions as necessary; Uses time efficiently.

Teamwork: Works collaboratively with colleagues to achieve organizational goals; Solicits input by genuinely valuing others' ideas and expertise; is willing to learn from others; Places team agenda before personal agenda; Supports and acts in accordance with final group decision, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position; Shares credit for team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.

Qualifications

Education: Advanced university degree (Master's degree or equivalent) in business administration, public administration, commerce, engineering, law or a related field. A first-level university degree in combination with qualifying experience may be accepted in lieu of the advanced university degree. Recognized qualification in procurement and contracting is desirable and an advantage

Experience: A minimum of two (02) years of progressively responsible experience in procurement, contract Management, administration or related area.

Languages: English and French are the working languages of the United Nations Secretariat. For this position, fluency in oral and written English is required. Knowledge of another UN language is an advantage.

Assessment Method

Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which may be followed by competency-based interview.

How to Apply:

Qualified candidates may submit their applications including their United Nations Personal History form (P.11) to the address mentioned below **quoting vacancy announcement number and functional title on the subject** line on or before the deadline. The P.11 is on the <https://unsos.unmissions.org/jobs>. Applications submitted after the deadline **02 September 2017** will not be accepted. **Curriculum Vitae (CV) will not be accepted.** Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for interview.

Email: recruitment-unsoa@un.org

The United Nations shall place no restrictions on the eligibility of men and women to participate in any capacity and under conditions of equality in its principal and subsidiary organs.

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