

# UNITED NATIONS SUPPORT OFFICE IN SOMALIA (UNSOS)

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THIS POSITION IS OPEN TO SOMALI NATIONALS ONLY AND DOES NOT HAVE INTERNATIONAL BENEFITS
FEMALE CANDIDATES ARE PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS : 08 JANUARY 2017
DATE OF ISSUANCE : 09 DECEMBER 2016

FUNCTIONAL TITLE : PROCUREMENT ASSISTANT

LEVEL : GL-5

SECTION : PROCUREMENT

LOCATION : KISMAYO

DURATION OF CONTRACT : ONE (1) YEAR FIXED TERM VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER : UNSOS/PROC/075/2016

#### **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 Kisimayo, Somalia. The incumbent will report to the Chief, Procurement Officer

#### **Duties and Responsibilities**

Within delegated authority, the Administrative Assistant will be responsible for the following duties:

- Provides procurement, logistical and administrative support to a team of Procurement Officers in the acquisition of a wide variety of goods and services.
- Reviews, records and prioritizes purchasing requests and obtains additional information/documentation as required;
   determines the availability of vendors and funding sources.
- Monitors status of existing requisitions, maintains contact with suppliers to ensure timely delivery of goods and services, coordinates shipment of goods/commodities/equipment to HQ and field missions, verifies receipt and inspection of deliverables and accurately reports, as and if required.
- Produce tender documents (e.g. Invitations to Bids, Requests for Proposals and Requests for Quotations) based on the nature of requirements and cost of procurement involved.
- Prepares abstracts of offers and compiles data contained in u, proposals and bids to determine which supplier can
  deliver the required goods/services at the best terms and lowest costs possible under the guidance of Procurement
  Officers.
- Finalizes purchase orders and contracts for approval by the Procurement Officer; may authorize purchases in line with delegated signature authority, and, if required, prepares submission to the Contracts Committee for review and subsequent approval by the authorized official
- Assist relevant officers in more complex, higher value purchasing operations; coordinates distribution of pertinent documents to concerned parties, ensures appropriate follow-up action etc.
- Maintains relevant internal databases and files; keeps track of any contractual agreements, systems contracts, etc. and informs affected users of contractual rights and obligations.
- Researches, retrieves and presents information from a variety of internal and external sources on sources of supply, vendors by commodity, etc., as well as obtain specifications for new products and equipment on the market.
- Drafts routine correspondence.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

#### **Competencies**

**Professionalism:** Knowledge of internationally recognized procurement standards and understanding of procurement techniques and practices used in the private sector. Knowledge of market trends and sources of supply and equipment and of procurement/contract execution and administration. Knowledge and understanding of internal procurement policies, practices and procedures. Ability to conduct research and analyse data and information to develop recommendations on procurement contracts awards. Ability to clarify and agree on terms of contracts and/or specification requirements and to apply good judgment in the context of assignments given. 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.

**Communication:** Speaks and writes clearly and effectively; Listens to others, correctly interprets messages from others and responds appropriately; Asks questions to clarify, and exhibits interest in having two-way communication; Tailors language, tone, style and format to match audience; Demonstrates openness in sharing information and keeping people informed.

#### Qualifications

#### **Education**

High school diploma or equivalent is required. A certificate or procurement or Contract management training is desirable.

#### **Work Experience**

A minimum of five (5) years of progressively responsible experience in procurement, administrative services or related area.

#### Languages

French and English are the working languages of the UN Secretariat. For this post, fluency in English (both oral and written) is required; knowledge of French is desirable; knowledge of another UN official language is desirable.

**Method:** Evaluation of qualified candidates for this position may include a substantive assessment which will be followed by a 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 on or before the deadline. The P.11 is on the https://unsos.unmissions.org/jobs. Applications submitted after the deadline **08 January 2017** will not be accepted. **CVs will not be accepted.** 

Email: recruitment-unsoa@un.org

Please quote, Vacancy Announcement Number and Functional Title in the subject of the e-mail Kindly attach a copy of P11, Degree Certificate, Passport and or National Identification Card. These are required as part of your application for consideration of eligibility. Please note CID and NISA Certificates are required at a later stage of the recruitment process.

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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