



Coordinator of OMCT's Child Protection Against Torture Program (8-Month Maternity replacement)

The World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT), the largest international coalition of nongovernmental organizations fighting against torture, summary executions, forced disappearances and all other forms of cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment, is currently seeking to recruit a full-time Coordinator for the Child Protection Against Torture Program.

Location: International Secretariat of the OMCT, Geneva, Switzerland.

Dates and duration: 1 December 2018 to 1st August 2019 (maternity replacement).

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Monitoring developments on the rights of children to be free from torture, ill-treatment and other serious human rights violations, and carrying out its advocacy efforts;
- Coordinating and implementing child rights projects in Uruguay, Brazil, Benin, Togo, Philippines and India in partnership with OMCT's local member organizations.
- Conducting advocacy for the protection of children deprived of liberty, notably towards UN human rights mechanisms and the Inter-American System;
- Drafting of legal submissions, alternative reports, position papers and case interventions in national and international systems;
- Support to fundraising for the program and assisting in managing the aspects of the project's resources and budgets.
- Conducting international missions and visiting places of detention for children.
- Conducting training on child protection against torture and ill-treatment.

Qualifications:

- Advanced university degree, preferably a post graduate degree in human rights or democratization, political science or international law.
- Minimum 4 years of experience at the national and international levels, including with human rights organizations and/or the judicial system.
- Demonstrated commitment to human rights, particularly child rights and the rule of law.

Competencies:

- Excellent knowledge and proven commitment to human rights, in particular on the rights of the child and the prohibition of torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, and knowledge and expertise on the functioning of universal and regional protection mechanisms.
- Excellent and practical experience in human rights advocacy, project management cycles and development.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills ideally in the three languages, English, French and Spanish. Basic knowledge of Portuguese would be an additional asset.
- Ability to effectively manage conflicting demands, meeting deadlines and adjusting priorities and good organizational skills.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and ability to work within a multi-cultural team and partners.

OTHER DETAILS

This position is a full time (100%) position and will require some international travel.

It is desirable for the candidate to have the legal right to work in Switzerland or in the European Union.

*Applications for this position should be sent (by email only) to Halima Dekhissi at hd@omct.org by **15 October 2018**. For consideration, please send a cover letter, a résumé and the contact details of two professional references, indicating "CHILD RIGHTS COORDINATOR" as your message subject. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.*

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