

Job framework

Job Title:	SNE - covering Security/Counterterrorism issues in the African Union
Job Location:	Delegation of the European Union to the African Union
Job number:	214690
Area of activity:	Counter-Terrorism/Security
Category:	AD
Duration:	2 years (renewable)

Job Content

Overall purpose: assist the EU Delegation to the African Union to monitor security developments, help establish and maintain EU relations with African Union bodies on counterterrorism and preventing/countering violent extremism (P/CVE) and transnational and organised crime, and contribute to analysis and reporting in the fields of security, counterterrorism, rule of Law, security sector reform, under the direct supervision of the Head of Delegation to the African Union. He/she will be based in Ethiopia and will be required to travel in the country and in the region as necessary.

Functions and Duties:

The expert will assist / contribute:

- To follow policy developments related to security, counterterrorism and transnational crime in the African Union and support EEAS Headquarters, as well as the EU Delegation to the African Union (and other Delegations as appropriate in the region) in close cooperation with other security (the Regional Advisory and Coordination Cell (RACC) and defence experts also posted on site;
- To provide regular and timely reporting to the Security and Defence Policy Directorate (CT Division) at EEAS Headquarters and to the Head of Delegation to the African Union, on the above mentioned topics including monthly reports, early warnings, specific requests, info flashes, "think pieces", etc.;
- To ensure close coordination with Member States' security advisers, police liaison officers and counterterrorism officers, including by participating in and/or convening relevant coordination meetings;
- To develop and maintain a network made of the relevant Law enforcement institutions and Interior bodies within the AU, UN agencies, local and international civil society, regional organizations such as G5-Sahel, etc;
- To closely cooperate with the Commission services (including FPI, DEVCO, HOME, NEAR, etc) in the identification, formulation and implementation of programmes and activities relating to counterterrorism, P/CVE and transnational crime activities in the host countries, in line with the Security and Defence Policy Directorate (CT Division) strategic advice, and in close cooperation with the regional FPI team and the EMLO, where present

Job Requirements

Education and Training: University diploma in law, political or social science, economy, business administration or other related issue.

Knowledge and Experience:

Profile: Senior Officer from Member States Ministry of Interior/Police/Defence having experience in Counterterrorism/transnational crime/security sector reform or related issues in developing countries and/or post-conflict situations. Previous diplomatic experience at a multilateral organization would be an asset.

Essential: Extensive knowledge of the above mentioned policy areas are required, including conflict sensitive analytical capacities, security/CT policies in Member States. Good working knowledge of the EU (institutional) environment and instruments in the area of external and cooperation policy. Proven reporting and analysis capacity.

Security: HEAT training is strongly recommended for this post

Skills

Linguistic skills: Thorough knowledge (capacity to write and speak) in English or French is required. Knowledge of the local language(s) would be a strong asset.

Communication skills: Capacity to work and communicate under time constraints in an international diplomatic and multilingual environment. Intercultural sensitivity skills are required.

Interpersonal skills: Teamwork, coordination and communication skills

Intellectual skills: Solid analytical capability as well as drafting and reporting skills. Rapid grasp of problems and capacity to identify issues and solutions

Personal Qualities

Dynamic. Motivated and flexible personality. To adapt quickly to new situations and deal with new challenges, including missions in conflict areas