

Position: Justice Monitor	Employment Regime: Seconded	
Ref. Number: EK 50216 Confirmed Vacancies: 1 Pending Vacancies: 0	Location: Western Balkans Region (Kosovo)	Availability: ASAP
Pillar/Department/Unit: Monitoring Pillar, Case Monitoring Unit	Security Clearance Level: No (only access up to EU RESTRICTED required)	Open to Contributing Third States: Yes

1. Reporting Line:

The Justice Monitor reports to the Chief of the Case Monitoring Unit (CMU).

2. Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To monitor and analyse the Rule of Law situation in Kosovo, in particular the criminal and civil justice system through the observation of criminal and civil proceedings, analysing court records, and liaising with court staff, judges, prosecutors and lawyers;
- To monitor selected cases processed by the Kosovo justice system;
- To provide advice to the respective institutions as part of the robust monitoring;
- To liaise with and advise the Kosovo justice authorities and relevant security sector reform actors;
- To liaise and advise, upon request, on the promotion of Rule of Law and Justice aspects in Kosovo authorities and ensure that these aspects are incorporated in the Mission's Implementation Plan;
- To report on monitoring activities, including the performance assessment of the justice system against local law and international human rights standards;
- To conduct specific thematic inspections and performance assessment tasks in support of the Mission's efforts to identify and address areas of structural weaknesses of local counterparts in coordination with the CMU Thematic Lead Monitors;
- To contribute to the implementation of the Mission's policies by identifying and analysing potential political interference and corruption as well as matters related to minority groups, human rights and gender issues;
- To develop and organise training or workshop courses to improve the coordination and cooperation between the judiciary, the police/internal security forces and the penitentiary system in Kosovo.

3. General Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To identify and report on lessons learned and best practices within the respective area of responsibility;
- To contribute and ensure timely reporting on activities within the respective area of responsibility;
- To take account of gender equality and human rights aspects in the execution of tasks;
- To undertake any other related tasks as requested by the Chief of Case Monitoring Unit.

4. Essential Qualifications and Experience:

- Successful completion of university studies of at least 4 years attested by a diploma **OR** a qualification in the National Qualifications Framework which is equivalent to level 7 in the European Qualifications Framework **OR** a qualification of the second cycle under the framework of qualifications of the European Higher Education Area, e.g. Master's Degree. The qualification should be in Law; **AND**
- A minimum of 5 years of relevant professional experience, after having fulfilled the education requirements out of which;
 - A minimum of 3 years of relevant professional experience in justice and/or trial monitoring;
 - Experience in legal research and analysis;
 - Experience in case work/processing and complaint handling.

5. Essential Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Ability to respect the principles of judicial independence and objectivity, as well as the monitoring principles of non-intervention, impartiality, confidentiality and professionalism;
- Practical understanding of legal reform process including the development of legal policy and legislation;
- Mediation, team-working and interpersonal skills;
- Report writing skills;
- Sound knowledge of RoL/justice aspects, in particular in a post-conflict environment;
- Ability to acquire, analyse and manage information from a variety of sources;
- Knowledge of the specificities of the material and procedural criminal law and/or civil law in Kosovo.

6. Desirable Qualifications and Experience:

- Legal experience in transitional justice processes in the Balkans in the following thematic areas: property, privatization, crimes under international law, gender based violence, hate crimes, etc.);
- Experience in justice reform either domestically or internationally.

7. Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Knowledge of Albanian and/or Serbian language.