

document as a result of access to classified and/or sensitive information relating to the Mission or respective tasks and activities outside working purpose. They shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the Mission.

Flexibility and Adaptability – Candidates must be able to work in arduous conditions with a limited network of support, with unpredictable working hours and a considerable workload. They must have the ability to work professionally as a member of a team, in task forces and working groups with mixed composition (e.g. civilian and military staff) and be able to cope with extended separation from family and usual environment.

Availability – Candidates must be able to undertake any other tasks related with the competencies, responsibilities and functions of the respective position within the Mission, as required by the Head of Mission. In line with the Head of Mission’s intent to increase the footprint in the north and in addition to those advertised positions which explicitly state that the staff member should live in the north, other staff members subsequently deployed to the region after their arrival are expected to be ready to live in the north.

Serious deficiencies in any of these essential requirements may result in repatriation/termination of the secondment/contract.

II. REQUIREMENTS

II.A Essential Requirements

The following are essential requirements in respect of civilian international experts to the Missions all Job Description.

1. Physical and Mental Health – Candidates must be physically fit and in good health without any physical or mental problems or substance dependency which may impair operational performance in the Mission and in its Area of Operations. Selected candidates should undergo an extensive medical examination as requested by the seconding authority or the Mission in accordance with “Fit to work clearance” procedure prior to recruitment/deployment to prove that they comply with the requirements.

To ensure duty of care in the civilian CSDP Mission, selected candidates shall be able to serve the full period of secondment/contract before reaching the normal age of retirement in their respective States of citizenship.

2. Education and Training – Candidates should have a recognised qualification under the European Qualifications Framework (EQF), or equivalent, at a level specified in the individual job descriptions. Candidates are strongly advised to verify their compliance through the link: <https://europa.eu/europass/en/description-eight-eqf-levels>

3. Knowledge – Candidates should have good knowledge of the EU Institutions and Mission Mandate, particularly related to the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), including the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP).

4. Skills and abilities

Language Skills – Candidates must have the understanding, speaking and writing proficiency in the working language of the Mission. Certain positions may require higher language skills further specified in the individual job descriptions. The Mission may seek to facilitate language training and where appropriate, specialist language training, for newly recruited Mission staff members. Candidates are strongly advised to verify their proficiency through the following link: <https://europa.eu/europass/en/common-european-framework-reference>.

Communication and Interpersonal Skills – Candidates must have excellent interpersonal and communication skills, both written and oral.

Organisational Skills – Candidates must have excellent organisational skills, with the ability to prioritise work to meet deadlines, and a concern for order and accuracy.

Digital Skills – Candidates must have basic digital skills in the competency areas: information and data literacy, communication and collaboration, digital content creation, safety and problem solving. Candidates are strongly advised to verify their proficiency through the following link: <https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/news/test-your-digital-skills-and-thrive-digital-world>

Driving Skills – Candidates must be in possession of a valid – including Mission area – civilian driving licence for motor vehicles (Category B or equivalent). They also must be able to drive any 4-wheel-drive vehicle. Category C driving licence is desirable or as specified in the respective job description.

Deficiencies in any of these essential requirements may result in repatriation/termination of the secondment/contract.

II.B Desirable Requirements

Knowledge of the Mission Area – Candidates should have good knowledge of the history, culture, social and political situation of the region and knowledge of the police, judiciary and governmental structures, as applicable.

Knowledge and Experience of Rule of Law Promotion – Candidates must be acquainted with Rule of Law promotion concepts and practices, especially in the Mission area, as applicable.

Training and Experience – Candidates should have attended a Civilian Crisis Management Course or equivalent.

Language – Some proficiency in local language(s), depending on the job tasks and responsibilities.

Driving License – Category C driving license.

III. ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT FOR SELECTED CANDIDATES

Passport – Selected candidates must have a biometric passport from their respective national authorities valid for at least six months. If possible, a Service Passport or Diplomatic Passport should be issued.

Visas – EU Member States/Contributing Third States and selected candidates must ensure that visas are obtained for entry into the Mission area prior to departure from their home country. It is also essential to obtain any transit visas, which may be required for passage through countries en route to the Mission.

Education diploma(s)/certificate(s) and/or professional certificate(s) – Selected international contracted candidates must have and present to the Mission the university diploma or the professional certificate/diploma, depending on the job description, before signing the contract or taking up their duties.

Required Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) – Selected candidates will have to be in possession of the necessary level of Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) as specified in the respective job description. For seconded experts, the original certificate of the national security clearance or a proof of the initiation of the process must accompany them upon deployment. For contracted experts, the process will be initiated by the Mission upon deployment. For both seconded and contracted experts, access to European Union Classified Information (EUCI) will be limited to RESTRICTED until the issuance of their national security clearance. For contributing third States selected candidates, an equivalence to access to the required level of EUCI will be delivered on the basis of Security of Information Agreement or Administrative Arrangements with EU or, in their absence, on the basis of the Framework Participation Agreements.

Certificate/Booklet of Vaccination – Selected candidates must be in possession of a valid certificate/booklet of vaccination showing all vaccinations and immunisations received. They also must be vaccinated according to the required immunisations for the area of responsibilities in the Mission.

Medical Certificate – Selected candidates should undergo an extensive medical examination and be certified medically fit for Mission duty. As temporary measure and while the COVID-19 pandemic persists, Missions will take into account the exceptional circumstances of COVID-19 crises. In a similar manner a dental examination should be certified where it is stated that no eminent dental issues are foreseen.

Before joining the Mission, selected contracted candidates are expected to submit a copy of the results of the required medical examinations to the Mission's Medical Advisor. Selected seconded candidates may do the same or at least submit a fitness to work certificate issued through by their national authorities to the Mission's Medical Advisor prior to their deployment. Medical data will be handled with confidentiality and in line with EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and the Standard Operating Procedure on the protection of personal data (CivOpsCdr instruction 12-2018 as amended.)

The Heads of Mission reserve the right to reject the recruitment of any selected candidate that proves to be medically unfit to work in a civilian CSDP Mission.

Personal Protection Equipment – It is recommended that national authorities provide selected candidates with protection equipment.

IV. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Gender balance – The EU strives for improved gender balance in CSDP operations in compliance with EU policy and UNSCR 1325 on Women, Peace, and Security (WPS). The CPCC encourages the EU Member States and European Institutions to take this into account when offering contributions at all levels.

Application Form – Applications from candidates with EU Member State citizenship will be considered only when using the online Application Form (AF) accessible on the Goalkeeper-Registrar software module. Applications from candidates with Contributing Third State citizenship should apply using the dedicated Application Form returned in word format.

Selection Process – Candidates considered to be most suitable will be shortlisted and, if needed, tested and/or interviewed in Brussels, at the Headquarters of the Mission or by video conferencing before the final selection is made. If seconded candidates are required to travel to Brussels/Mission Headquarters for test and/or interviews, the contributing State will bear any related costs. Candidates should be selected on the basis of relevant competence and experience, while strict priority shall be given to seconded candidates. Contracted candidates will be selected only on exceptional basis.

Information on the Outcome – EU Member States/Contributing Third States of seconded candidates will be informed about the outcome of the selection process after its completion. Contracted candidates will be informed about the outcome of the selection process if they have been invited for a selection interview.

Training – The selected candidates should complete Mission wise, SAFE and Code of Conduct e-modules, or equivalent courses, preferably prior to their deployment to the Mission. The modules can be accessed in the following link: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/eeas/security-e-learnings/>.

Pre-Deployment Training – The selected candidates should have undergone Pre-Deployment Training in accordance with the CSDP agreed Training Policy, or a national alternative of the course.

Data Protection – The EEAS, and its Directorate CPCC, processes personal data pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the EU institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data. The Privacy statement is available on the EEAS website.

Job Descriptions – The current reporting lines of the following job descriptions might be subject to modification based on operational requirements and in line with the principles set out in the Operation Plan (OPLAN).