

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

(INTERNAL/EXTERNAL)

The International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT), a Rome-based independent intergovernmental Organisation that works to modernise and harmonise private law, and in particular commercial law, invites applications for the position of

DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL

The ideal candidate is an outstanding lawyer who, in addition to a distinguished career in his/her field (governmental, academic, intergovernmental or other), has a solid knowledge of comparative private law, commercial and private international law and experience in international negotiations or domestic law reform projects.

A national of a member State of UNIDROIT, he (or she) is a good communicator with excellent interpersonal relations skills, judgment and discretion who brings strong organisational, planning, analytical and drafting skills to support the Secretary-General in representing UNIDROIT and managing a small team of professionals and technical support staff. Other essential qualifications include sensitivity to a multicultural environment; ability to work under pressure; knowledge and experience in strategic planning, management and promotion; as well as proficiency in using computer systems and standard office software.

Duration of the appointment: initially two years, renewable for five year periods.

Salary: Competitive salary at the higher band of the scales of the Co-ordinated Organisations, depending on the qualifications of the successful candidate.

Language requirements: English and French fluent; other languages (e.g. Arabic, Chinese, Italian, Spanish) are an asset.

Entry on duty: second quarter or, at the latest, in September 2012.

Applications should be addressed to the Secretary-General of UNIDROIT, via Panisperna 28 – 00184 Rome (or mail to: jobs@unidroit.org) including CV and a letter setting forth the candidate's vision of his(her) role, no later than 12 March 2012.

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Please note that only the candidates selected for interviews will be contacted.