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The International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT) is an independent intergovernmental organisation based in Rome Its small team of professionals and technical support staff works to modernise, harmonise and co-ordinate private and in particular commercial law as between States and groups of States by preparing treaties, model laws, principles and other types of uniform rules. We are currently inviting applications for the position of

LEGAL OFFICER

The ideal candidate is a dynamic young lawyer (ideally admitted to the bar) who, in addition to an outstanding academic record (LLM. or higher), has a solid knowledge of comparative private law, commercial and private international law and some experience as associate or fellow at a law firm, international organisation, research institution or national government, preferably in a common law jurisdiction.

A national of a member State of UNIDROIT, he/she has proven talent for research and legal analysis, has good communication and drafting skills, and is able to organise its work and carry out projects with a minimum of supervision. Ability to work in multicultural environments is a must. Under the supervision of the Secretary-General and other senior staff, the main duties include: conducting legal research on selected topics of private law, commercial and private international law; preparing reports and initial drafts of international instruments and related documents; liaising with interested academic, professional and industry circles; organising meeting and consultations on relevant topics; attending conferences and other outside meetings; delivering speeches and making presentations on relevant topics; and performing other tasks as may be assigned by the Secretary-General.

Duration of the appointment: initially 2 years, renewable up to 5 year periods.

Salary: Competitive salary according to the scales of the Co-ordinated Organisations. The expected contribution of the successful candidate based on personal qualifications will be evaluated for pay setting purposes

Language requirements: English (mother tongue level); other languages (e.g. Chinese, French, German, Italian, Russian or Spanish) are an asset.

Entry on duty: first quarter or, at the latest, June 2014.

Applications should be addressed to the Secretary-General of UNIDROIT including CV and a motivation letter, and sent by e-mail to jobs@unidroit.org not later than 10 March 2014

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