

END/SNE – JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Framework

Job Title:	END/SNE - Adviser/Counsellor for Political Affairs
Job Location:	New York
Job Number:	185987
Area of activity:	Political affairs (Political and UNSC Affairs Section)
Category:	AD
Duration :	24 months, with possibility of extension up to 48 months

Job Content

Overall purpose:

Under the authority of the Head of Delegation (HoD) or the Deputy Head of Delegation (DHoD) and the Head of the Political Section, to assist the Delegation and contribute to: a) the external representation of the European Union vis-à-vis the United Nations Organisation: b) the organisation of the internal coordination of the EU Member States in accordance with Article 34 of the Treaty on European Union, under the responsibility of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.

Functions and Duties:

As a member of the political section of the EU delegation, the Adviser/Counsellor will be responsible for a geographical or thematic area in particular in the context of the Security Council, although the focus may be adjusted in case of need to other files in the section. The main focus of the position will be on EU contributions to conflict prevention/mediation/resolution (including Special Political Missions, protection of civilians, EU-UN cooperation in crisis management, Security Sector Reform), peace keeping and stabilization in fragile states with a particular view to further the ground for local sustainable development in line with the SDGs. Particular attention will be to strengthen EU's cooperation with the UN in the humanitarian, development, peace nexus in order also to underpin UN reforms (development and security sectors) and strengthen focus on preventive measures, early action and building local capacity and resilience. Within this context the Adviser/Counsellor also works with the military liaison officer, and may be engaged in other processes related to peace and security issues in developing countries. The tasks include:

- Participate in all relevant UN meetings in these areas of responsibility and present EU positions.
- Establish and maintain contacts with representatives of other UN Member States (with a particular emphasis on representatives from the Global South), other observer missions at the UN, the UN Secretariat, civil society representatives and other relevant actors in New York.
- Prepare analytical reports for Headquarters on relevant UN developments with a particular focus on Security Council affairs and the humanitarian, development, peace nexus;
- Draft EU statements and positions and coordinate their approval within the EU; Chair EU expert level coordination meetings;
- When mandated negotiate texts such as General Assembly resolutions with third countries;
- Prepare briefings for EUDEL management
- Contribute to advice on coherence of EU external policy activities in the UN as well as to the formulation of the EU strategy in relation to the UN activities
- Other tasks, as necessary, in the political team

Job Requirements

Education and Training: University diploma law, political science, or any other related issue

Knowledge and Experience: The candidate should have experience in working with the UN, and with EU-UN relations, in particular in the above mentioned areas, from posting to New York or Geneva or dealing with the issues at capital level; and knowledge of EU institutions, related decisional processes, EU external action and related EU external policies

Skills

Linguistic skills: English and French

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

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. Able to adapt quickly to new situations and deal with new challenges.