

Job framework

Job Title:	SNE - covering Security/Counterterrorism issues in Nigeria and the ECOWAS
Job Location:	Delegation of the European Union to Nigeria and the ECOWAS
Job number:	228986
Area of activity:	Counter-Terrorism/Security
Category:	AD
Duration:	2 years (renewable)

Job Content

Overall purpose: assist EU Delegation to monitor security developments, help establish and maintain EU relations with local counterparts on counterterrorism and preventing/countering violent extremism (P/CVE) and transnational and organised crimes at the Nigerian and the regional ECOWAS level, and contribute to analysis and reporting in the fields of security, counterterrorism, rule of Law, security sector reform, under the direct supervision of the Head of Delegation. He/she will be based in Abuja and will be required to travel in the country and in the ECOWAS region where necessary.

Functions and Duties:

The expert will assist / contribute:

- To follow the security situation and related developments in Nigeria and the ECOWAS region and support EEAS Headquarters, as well as the EU Delegation (and other Delegations as appropriate in the ECOWAS region) with advice on matters related to security, with a focus on counterterrorism, radicalisation, and preventing/countering violent extremism and transnational and organised crimes;
- To provide regular and timely reporting to the Security and Defence Policy Directorate (CT Division) at EEAS Headquarters and the Head of Delegation on the above mentioned topics including monthly reports, early warnings, specific requests, info flashes, "think pieces", etc.;
- To ensure close coordination with Member States' security advisers, police liaison officers and counterterrorism officers, including by participating in and/or convening relevant coordination meetings on matters pertaining to Nigeria and the ECOWAS region;
- To develop and maintain a network made of the relevant Law enforcement institutions and Interior Ministries in Nigeria and the relevant ECOWAS bodies, UN agencies, local and international civil society, etc.;
- To closely cooperate with the Commission services (including FPI, DEVCO, HOME, NEAR, etc) in the identification, formulation and implementation of programmes and activities relating to counterterrorism, P/CVE and transnational crime activities in Nigeria and the ECOWAS region, in line with the Security and Defence Policy Directorate (CT Division) strategic advice, and in close cooperation with the EMLO.

Job Requirements

Education and Training: University diploma in law, political or social science, economy, business administration or other related issue.

Knowledge and Experience:

Profile: Senior Officer from Member States Ministry of Interior/Police/Defence having experience in Counterterrorism/transnational crime/Deradicalisation/security sector reform or related issues in developing countries and/or post-conflict situations.

Essential: Extensive knowledge of the above mentioned policy areas are required, including conflict sensitive analytical capacities, security/CT policies in Member States. Good working knowledge of the EU (institutional) environment and instruments in the area of external and cooperation policy. Proven reporting and analysis capacity.

Security: HEAT training is strongly recommended for this post

Skills

Linguistic skills: Thorough knowledge (capacity to write and speak) in English or French is required. Knowledge of the local language(s) would be a strong asset.

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

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. To adapt quickly to new situations and deal with new challenges, including missions in conflict areas.