

Request for Expression of Interest Junior Legal Officer Oceania Regional Office

ASSIGNMENT

The Temporary Legal Officer will be expected to undertake the following activities:

- 1. Provide quality legal and technical support to the Senior Environmental Legal Officer as directed, as part of the Environmental Law Programme of the IUCN Oceania Regional Office (IUCN ORO), and in relation internal IUCN ORO business matters.
- 2. Provide empirical research and analysis of national legislations, and regional and international agreements, case law and policy briefs as and when required.
- 3. Work with regional and international environmental lawyers to assist the establishment and maintenance of a network of regional environmental lawyers.
- 4. Effectively establish and maintain relationships with partners and key government agencies in the region.
- 5. Assist and collaborate with IUCN ORO staff in identifying legal issues and exploring options that may assist the Office meet and deliver its regional program objectives.
- 6. Maintain an overview of various multilateral environmental agreement to which countries in the region are parties
- 7. Maintain an overview of the relevant legislations and policies relevant to protected areas, ecosystems, environmental and natural resource management in the Pacific Island countries.
- 8. Assist with the facilitation of workshops, webinars, virtual meetings and conferences in raising awareness within the region.
- 9. Assist in the development of plans and implement annual work programme and project activities as agreed to contribute to the emergence of a strategic IUCN Oceania Regional Office Environmental Law Programme in collaboration with relevant IUCN Oceania staff, IUCN members and partners.

Communication

- 1. Draft and publish reports using appropriate language and feeding results into IUCN Global Law Programme and Oceania Regional Office communication activities;
- 2. Assist with the development of a communications strategy for the Environmental Law Programme.

Contracts

1. When required, ensure review and provide inputs into the development of draft contracts and agreements for IUCN Oceania Regional Office.

Other Duties

- 1. Providing administrative support to the Senior Environmental Legal Officer when directed.
- 2. Represent IUCN at national forums as and when directed.



DURATION

This is a temporary assignment from 20 January, 2022 – 19 July, 2022.

REQUIREMENTS

- An undergraduate degree in law;
- A post-degree practical legal training qualification
- An interest in and knowledge of environmental and natural resource laws in one or more Pacific Island countries
- Ability to work effectively under-pressure and meet deadlines
- Ability to work with minimum to no supervision
- Excellent oral and written English language skills
- Ability to carry out high quality legal research
- High standards of personal and professional integrity
- A high level of computer literacy
- Organized. Well prepared; ability to carry out tasks in a purposeful way.
- Dependable; can be relied upon to get the job done.
- Proactive; proactive rather than reactive, and able to avoid mistakes that could/should be anticipated.

Desirable Qualifications and Experience

- Knowledge of international law and multilateral agreements
- Ability to converse in one or more of the languages of Pacific Island Countries
- High standards of communication and public presentation skills, including a demonstrated ability to communicate with a wide range of audiences and cultures.
- Ability to interpret legislation
- Drafting skills (documents, including contracts)

HOW TO APPLY

The Oceania Regional Office invites interested candidates to indicate their interest in providing their services by providing their CV with information demonstrating that they are qualified to perform these duties. Application must be sent to Jignasha.hansji@iucn.org by 5pm 16 January, 2022.

This position is open to Fiji Nationals only or candidates with the appropriate work visa/ permit.