

Role Description: Int'l Legal Advocacy Officer (part-time)

About Rights for Peace

Rights for Peace is a UK-registered human rights organisation that strengthens the rights and resilience of conflict-affected communities to prevent identity-based violence. Through training, advocacy and support to locally-led initiatives in Sudan, South Sudan and beyond, we promote dignity, accountability and conflict transformation. Equality, diversity and inclusion are at our core—we champion equal rights for all.

Role Description

The role of International Legal Advocacy Officer is a part-time paid role suitable for a graduate with some experience in human rights advocacy who is keen to engage in influencing legal policy debates or processes internationally, particularly in relation to the best use of international human rights approaches in upstream prevention of mass atrocities.

It will involve:

- Identifying entry points in relation to the UN human rights bodies, including the Human Rights Council and Treaty Bodies, as well as the Office of the Special Rapporteur on the Prevention of Genocide, etc.
- Identifying specific opportunities for RfP to amplify the issues raised by affected communities in human rights processes, e.g. UPR submissions relating to countries that RfP is working on.
- Supporting country projects with developing advocacy strategies and objectives
- In collaboration with others, identifying country or project-specific advocacy campaigns
- Conduct desk-based research, or support field research on violations, laws, standards or processes
- Draft research notes, briefings, fact-sheets, statements or reports with the support of other team members
- Identifying opportunities to organise side events or other means of engaging with policy shapers and makers or other civil society actors on issues of common interest, to advance thinking on the implementation of international human rights standards and prevention of identity-based violence
- Draft blog posts or social media messages as part of advocacy strategies or campaigns

The incumbent will ideally have:

- A relevant undergraduate degree, or post-graduate degree (International Law, Human Rights Law, etc.)
- Knowledge or experience of international human rights mechanisms, transitional justice or mass atrocity prevention approaches
- Knowledge or experience of drafting advocacy outputs (reports, briefings, statements) with the ability to write for different audiences
- Excellent research and writing skills, with attention to detail
- The ability and desire to work collaboratively with other team members and support our partners in a diverse work setting.

Terms

The incumbent will be remote-working and will report to the Rights for Peace Director, with potential regular in-person meetings as mutually agreed. The contract will be for a 2-day-a-week consultancy for 12 months. £15 p/h, with the possibility of increased hours and/or extension depending on funding.

How to apply

Please send a cover letter and CV to info@rightsforpeace.org and put the role title in the subject heading. Please include the proposed time-period you would be available for, and the number of days/hours a week you might be able to commit. As a small organisation, please be aware that unfortunately we will only be able to contact successful candidates.