

EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE



Annex 1

EU Partnership Mission in Moldova 1-2024 Call for Contributions Requirements and Job Descriptions				
Organisation:	EU Partnership Mission in Moldova			
Job Location:	As indicated below			
Employment Regime:	As indicated below			
Job Titles/ Vacancy Notice:	Ref.:	Name of the Post:	Location:	Availability:
	<u>Seconded (4)</u>			
	MOL 11	Head of Hybrid threats and Cyber security Component	Chisinau	01 April 2024
	MOL 20	Project Manager	Chisinau	13 February 2024
	MOL 38	Strategic Adviser on Hybrid Threats (Strategic Communications focus)	Chisinau	ASAP
	MOL 39	Strategic Adviser on Cyber Security	Chisinau	ASAP
Deadline for Applications:	Friday 22 March 2024 at 17:00 (Brussels time)			
Applications must be submitted to:	<p>1) You have the nationality of an EU Member State: you must use Goalkeeper to apply:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a) You are already registered on Goalkeeper AND you have an EU Login: <u>https://goalkeeper.eeas.europa.eu/registrar/web</u></p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b) You do not have a Goalkeeper account or an EU Login: <u>https://goalkeeper.eeas.europa.eu/registrar/web/DPA/357/details.do</u></p> <p>2) You do not have the nationality of an EU Member State:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Only seconded nationals of a non-EU Contributing Third State can be proposed by their National Seconding Authority (no personal applications will be considered): Please contact your seconding authority to send them your application form.</p> <p>Please Note: <i>Seconded positions are only available for candidates already validated in the database of their Seconding Authority. Please contact your national Seconding Authority for more information on applying for vacant Seconded positions. We cannot provide contact details of national Seconding Authorities.</i></p>			

Information:	<p>For more information relating to selection and recruitment, please contact the Civilian Planning and Conduct Capability (CPCC):</p> <p>Mr Filippo MANGIONE CPCC-EUPM-MOLDOVA@eeas.europa.eu +32 460 84 46 70</p>
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Seconded Personnel – For seconded positions, only personnel nominations received through official channels from EU Member States/invited/contributing Third States (Contributing States) will be considered. Contributing States will bear all personnel-related costs for seconded personnel, e.g. salaries, medical coverage, travel expenses to and from the Mission area (including home leave) and allowances other than those paid according to the Council documents 7291/09 (10 March 2009) and 9084/13 (30 April 2013). Personnel seconded from contributing Third States are not entitled to receive allowances paid according to the Council documents 7291/09 (10 March 2009) and 9084/13 (30 April 2013).

Contracted Personnel – The Mission may recruit international staff on a contractual basis as required through an employment contract. The employment contract with the Mission establishes the conditions of employment, rights and obligations, remuneration, allowances, travel and removal expenses and the applicable high risk insurance policy.

Documents supporting educational qualifications and work experience should be accompanied by certified translations of the original documents in the English language, if issued in another language, in accordance with the European Commission Guidelines for Lifelong Learning, which ensures transparency in higher education and fair and informed judgements about qualifications.

Tour of Duty/Contract Period – Subject to the adoption of the Council Decision extending the Mission mandate and approving the appropriate Budgetary Impact Statement, the duration of the deployment should be of 12 months.

The Civilian Operations Commander requests that Contributing States propose candidates for the following international expert positions for the EU Partnership Mission in Moldova, according to the requirements and profiles described below:

I. GENERAL CONDITIONS

Citizenship – Citizenship of an EU Member State or of a Contributing Third State.

Integrity – The candidates must maintain the highest standards of personal integrity, impartiality and self-discipline within the Mission. The candidates are not allowed to provide or discuss any information or document as a result of access to classified and/or sensitive information relating to the Mission or respective tasks and activities. They shall carry out their duties and act in the interest of the Mission.

Flexibility and Adaptability – The candidates must be able to work in arduous conditions with a limited network of support, with unpredictable working hours and a considerable workload. They must have the ability to work professionally as a member of a team, in task forces and working groups with mixed composition (e.g. civilian and military staff) and be able to cope with extended separation from family and usual environment.

Availability – The candidates must be able to undertake any other tasks related with the competencies, responsibilities and functions of the respective position within the Mission, as required by the Head of Mission.

Physical and Mental Health – Physical and Mental Health – The candidates must be physically fit and in good health without any physical or mental problems or substance dependency which may impair

operational performance in the Mission and in its Area of Operation. Selected candidates should undergo an extensive medical examination as requested by the seconding authority or the Mission in accordance with “Fit to work clearance” procedure prior to recruitment/deployment to prove that they comply with the requirement.

As temporary measure,, Missions will request an extensive medical examination taking into account the exceptional circumstances of COVID-19 crises. In a similar manner a dental examination should be certified where it is stated that no eminent dental issues are foreseen. A copy of the result of the medical examination as well as the certification must be provided by seconded/contracted personnel as well as interns and sent to the Medical Adviser of the Mission before joining the Mission. Medical data will be handled with confidentiality and in line with EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and the Standard Operating Procedure on the protection of personal data (CivOpsCdr instruction 12-2018 as amended.)

To ensure duty of care in the civilian CSDP Mission, selected seconded/contracted candidates shall be able to serve the full period of secondment/contract before reaching the normal age of retirement in Contributing States/country of residence.

Serious deficiencies in any of these general conditions may result in repatriation/termination of the secondment/contract.

II. REQUIREMENTS

II.A Essential Requirements

The following are essential requirements in respect of civilian international experts to the Missions for all Job Descriptions:

1. Education and Training

The candidate should have a recognised academic qualification under the European Qualifications Framework (EQF)¹, or equivalent, at a level specified in the individual job descriptions.

2. Knowledge

The candidates should have knowledge of the EU Institutions and Mission Mandate, particularly related to the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), including the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP).

3. Skills and abilities

Language Skills² – Spoken and written proficiency in the working languages of the Mission. Certain positions may require higher language skills further specified in the individual job descriptions.

Communication and Interpersonal Skills – The candidates must have excellent interpersonal and communication skills, both written and oral. In particular, they must be able to write reports in the working language of the Mission.

Organisational skills – the candidates must have excellent organisational skills, with the ability to prioritise work to meet deadlines, and a concern for order and accuracy.

Computer Skills – Skills in word processing, spreadsheet and e-mail systems are essential.

¹ <https://ec.europa.eu/ploteus/content/descriptors-page>

² [Common European Framework of References for Languages](#)

Driving Skills – The candidates must be in possession of a valid – including Mission area – civilian driving licence for motor vehicles (Category B or equivalent). They also must be able to drive any 4-wheel-drive vehicle.

Serious deficiencies in any of these general conditions may result in repatriation/termination of the secondment/contract.

II.B Desirable Requirements

Knowledge of the Mission Area – The candidates should have a good knowledge of the history, culture, social and political situation of the region; and also knowledge of the police, judiciary and governmental structures.

Knowledge and Experience of SSR – The candidates must be acquainted with Security Sector Reform concepts and practices, especially in the Mission area.

Training and Experience – The candidates should have attended a Civilian Crisis Management Course or equivalent.

Language – Some proficiency in local language(s).

Driving Licence – Category C driving licence.

III. ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT FOR SELECTED CANDIDATES

Passport – The selected candidates must have a passport from their respective national authorities. If possible, a Service Passport or Diplomatic Passport should be issued.

Visas – EU Member States and selected candidates must ensure that visas are obtained for entry into the Mission area prior to departure from their home country. It is also essential to obtain any transit visas, which may be required for passage through countries en route to the Mission.

Education diploma(s)/certificate(s) or/and professional certificate(s) – The selected international contracted candidates must have and present to the Mission the university diploma or the professional certificate/diploma, depending on the job description, before signing the contract or taking up the duties.

Required Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) – The selected candidates will have to be in possession of the necessary level of Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) as specified in the respective job descriptions. For seconded experts, the original certificate of the national security clearance or a proof of the initiation of the process must accompany them upon deployment. For contracted experts, the process will be initiated by the Mission upon deployment. For both seconded and contracted experts, access to EUCI will be limited to RESTRICTED until the issuance of their national security clearance.

Certificate/Booklet of Vaccination – The selected candidates must be in possession of a valid certificate/booklet of vaccination showing all vaccinations and immunisations received. They also must be vaccinated according to the required immunisations for the Area of Operation of the Mission.

Medical Certificate – The selected candidates should undergo an extensive medical examination and be certified medically fit for Mission duty. In a similar manner a dental examination should be certified where it is stated that no eminent dental issues are foreseen.

For selected contracted candidates, in compliance with “Fit to work clearance procedure”, a copy of the result of the medical examinations as well as the fitness to work certificate, for seconded selected candidate, must be sent to the Medical Adviser of the Mission before joining the Mission. Medical data will be handled with confidentiality and in line with EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and the Standard Operating Procedure on the protection of personal data (CivOpsCdr instruction 12-2018 as amended.)

The Heads of Mission reserve the right to reject the recruitment of any selected candidate that proves to be medically unfit to work in a civilian CSDP Mission.

Personal Protection Equipment – Recommended and mandatory equipment is listed in Annex 2

Deficiencies in any of the documents asked for a specific position may result in failure of the selection process.

IV. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Gender balance – The EU strives for an improved gender balance in CSDP missions and operations, in conformity with UNSCR 1325. The European External Action Service (Head of Mission/Operation Commander) asks Contributing States and European Institutions to take this into account when offering contributions.

Application Form – For candidates holding an EU citizenship, applications will be considered only when using the online Application Form (AF) accessible on the Goalkeeper-Registrar software module, indicating which position(s) the candidate is applying for. Candidates seconded by Contributing Third States will apply using the Application Form for third states in Annex 3.

Selection Process – The candidates considered to be most suitable will be shortlisted and, if needed, interviewed in Brussels, at the Headquarters of the Mission or by phone, before the final selection is made. If seconded candidates are required to travel to Brussels/Mission Headquarters for interviews, the Contributing (Third) States will bear any related costs.

N.B The selection of candidates who are working for other civilian CSDP Missions at the time of their application will be subject to an impact assessment taking into account the operational needs of the CSDP Missions concerned.

Information on the Outcome – Contributing States and contracted candidates (applying for seconded/contracted positions) will be informed about the outcome of the selection process after its completion.

Training – The selected candidates should complete Missionwise and SAFE³ modules, which are designed for the delegations or equivalent, until a new platform is launched.

Pre-Deployment Training (PDT) – The selected candidates should have undergone Pre-Deployment Training in accordance with the CSDP agreed Training Policy.

Data Protection - The EEAS, and its Managing Directorate CPCC processes personal data pursuant to Regulation (EC) 2018/1725 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the EU institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data, as implemented in the EEAS by the Decision of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy of 8 December 2011. The Privacy statement is available on the EEAS website.

V. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

The current reporting lines of the following job descriptions might be subject to modification based on operational requirements.

³ <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/eeas/security-e-learning>

Position Name: Head of Hybrid threats and Cyber security Component	Employment Regime: Seconded	
Ref. Number: MOL 11	Location: Chisinau	Availability: 01 April 2024
Component/Department/Unit: Operations Department/ Hybrid threats and Cyber security Component	Security Clearance Level: EU SECRET	Open to Contributing Third States: No

1. Reporting Line:

The Head of Hybrid threats and Cyber security Component reports to the Head of Operations.

2. Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To lead, manage and coordinate the work and staff of the Component in the implementation of the Mission mandate as set out in the OPLAN and relevant planning documents;
- To coordinate the work of staff in the field of countering hybrid threats and ensuring cyber security;
- To oversee the Component's input to the development and regular updating of the Mission Implementation Plan by supporting the identification of relevant Mission operational requirements;
- To ensure consistency and sustainability of the Mission operational activities over time;
- To oversee the Component's contribution to the Mission's internal and external reporting against benchmarking;
- To work in close cooperation with the other Mission Components and advisers;
- To maintain necessary contacts and build relationships with relevant local counterparts and international actors in the field of responsibility;
- To facilitate liaison with Member States' and like-minded agencies;
- To act as the representative of the Component with external interlocutors as required;
- To support the development of the local authorities in the field of hybrid threats and cyber security;
- To deputise for the Head of Operations when so appointed by the Head of Operations;
- To identify, manage and report the risks arising from the specific processes, systems and projects;
- To implement gender-responsive leadership and ensure gender and human rights mainstreaming internally and externally in mandate implementation;
- To uphold a strict zero tolerance policy to misconduct, including all forms of harassment, sexual harassment, discrimination and abuse, and proactively ensure an equal and inclusive work environment for all staff;
- To raise awareness of staff on their rights, obligations and appropriate standards of behaviour, including existing formal and informal complaint and support mechanisms.

3. General Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To identify and report on lessons learned and best practices within the respective area of responsibility;
- To contribute and ensure timely reporting on activities within the respective area of responsibility;
- To take account of gender equality and human rights aspects in the execution of tasks;
- To undertake any other related tasks as requested by the Line Manager(s).

4. Essential Qualifications and Experience:

- Successful completion of university studies of at least 4 years attested by a diploma OR a qualification in the National Qualifications Framework which is equivalent to level 7 in the European Qualifications Framework OR a qualification of the second cycle under the framework of qualifications of the European Higher Education Area, e.g. Master's Degree OR equivalent and attested police and/or military education or training or an award of an equivalent rank;

AND

- A minimum of 7 years of relevant professional experience, after having fulfilled the education requirements, out of which a minimum of 3 years at coordination /management level.

5. Essential Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Ability to exercise collaborative, sound and effective leadership;
- Ability to manage, mentor and motivate a professionally diversified and multicultural team;
- Ability to establish plan, and review priorities;
- Ability to communicate and engage with senior officials and governmental decision makers.

6. Desirable Qualifications and Experience:

- Management experience in an international organisation operating in a conflict or immediate post conflict situation;
- Experience in strategic analysis, in a governmental agency/Ministry or equivalent, planning and reporting as well as a sound understanding of strategic and operational considerations;
- International experience, particularly in crisis, post-crisis or transitory areas with multinational and international organisations.

7. Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Knowledge of Romanian or/and Russian language.

Position Name: Project Manager	Employment Regime: Seconded	
Ref. Number: MOL 20	Location: Chisinau	Availability: 13 February 2024
Component/Department/Unit: Operations Department/ Project Cell	Security Clearance Level: EU SECRET	Open to Contributing Third States: Yes

1. Reporting Line:

The Project Management Officer reports to the Head of Operations.

2. Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To ensure that project proposals are in line with the Mission's Implementation Program (MIP) and are properly coordinated within the Mission and with external stakeholders;
- To support and facilitate the Mission's operational elements and managers in project planning/development and coordinate the implementation of the Mission projects with other stakeholders;
- To establish and maintain contacts with International Organisations and Non-Governmental Organisations to identify potential project partners;
- To assess project proposals and make recommendations on feasibility and sustainability of projects in cooperation with the Finance and Procurement, operational elements and Heads of Components as appropriate;
- To advise the Mission in the preparation of project proposals, budgets, notes of understanding and project agreements etc.;
- To ensure project proposals are in line with Mission programmes and coordinated internally and externally;
- To act as the interface between project leaders and various elements of Mission Support;
- To develop the mission project database and maintain the Mission project history and ongoing activities record;
- To conduct post project reporting and evaluation;
- To receive, review, analyse, assign, process and track certified requisitions submitted for procurement;
- To liaise with Mission international partners as appropriate.

3. General Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To identify and report on lessons learned and best practices within the respective area of responsibility;
- To contribute and ensure timely reporting on activities within the respective area of responsibility;
- To take account of gender equality and human rights aspects in the execution of tasks;
- To undertake any other related tasks as requested by the Line Manager(s).

4. Essential Qualifications and Experience:

- Successful completion of university studies of at least 3 years attested by a diploma OR a qualification in the National Qualifications Framework which is equivalent to level 6 in the European Qualifications Framework OR a qualification of the first cycle under the framework of qualifications of the European Higher Education Area, e.g. Bachelor's Degree OR equivalent and attested police and/or military education or training or an award of an equivalent rank; AND
- A minimum of 4 years of relevant professional experience, after having fulfilled the education requirements.

5. Essential Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Teamwork skills;
- Time management skills;
- Problem solving skills;
- Project management skills;
- English Language skills.

6. Desirable Qualifications and Experience:

- International experience, particularly in crisis areas with multinational and international organisations.

7. Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Familiar with EU Financial Regulations;
- Knowledge of Romanian or/and Russian language.

Position Name: Strategic Adviser on Hybrid Threats (Strategic Communications focus)	Employment Regime: Seconded	
Ref. Number: MOL 38	Location: Chisinau	Availability: ASAP
Component/Department/Unit: Operations Department/Hybrid threats and Cyber security Component	Security Clearance Level: EU SECRET	Open to Contributing Third States: No

1. Reporting Line:

The Strategic Adviser on Hybrid Threats (Strategic Communications focus) reports to the Head of Hybrid Threats and Cyber Security Component

2. Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To operationalise the Mission mandate and tasks as set out in the planning documents and the Mission Implementation Plan by advising and mentoring local counterparts on the strategic and operational levels;
- To support the Mission to address areas of structural weaknesses in the performance and accountability of counterparts/institutions and propose relevant solutions;
- To provide strategic advice, operational support and assistance to the relevant Moldovan partners to strengthen their resiliency against hybrid threats, particularly through strategic communications abilities;
- To facilitate support of and liaison with Member States and like-minded state institutions countering hybrid threats and disinformation;
- According to operational needs, liaison with international bodies and EU institutions, bodies and agencies;
- To identify and advise the relevant Moldovan partners on the capacity and training opportunities on hybrid threats, particularly relating to foreign information manipulation and interference;
- To support the relevant Moldovan partners in identifying the appropriate equipment and infrastructure needed to strengthen resilience to hybrid threats;
- To manage, lead and facilitate projects and interventions on hybrid threats and strategic communications;
- To advise, support and facilitate the relevant Moldovan partners in implementing externally funded projects/initiatives in his/her field of expertise;
- To assist in the implementation of training activities on hybrid threats;
- To provide analysis and recommendations to the local counterpart in the area of responsibility.

3. General Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To contribute to mission reporting in the area of competence;
- To support and contribute to the identification of lessons learnt and best practices in the area of competence;
- To take account of gender equality and human rights aspects in the execution of tasks;
- To perform any other tasks assigned by the Line Manager.

4. Essential Qualifications and Experience:

- Successful completion of university studies of at least 4 years attested by a diploma OR a qualification in the National Qualifications Framework which is equivalent to level 7 in the European Qualifications Framework OR a qualification of the second cycle under the framework of qualifications of the European Higher Education Area, e.g. Master's Degree OR equivalent and attested police or/and military education or training or an award of an equivalent rank;
AND
- A minimum of 5 years of relevant professional experience, after having fulfilled the education requirements.

5. Essential Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Proven knowledge of hybrid threats and strategic communications, including concrete professional experience in a communications role in political or diplomatic environments;
- Good knowledge of disinformation trends, detection tools, communication response;
- Ability to mentor and motivate local national counterparts;
- Experience of designing and delivering training.

6. Desirable Qualifications and Experience:

- Mission experience, e.g., CSDP, UN, OSCE etc.
- Experience in developing strategies, policies and/or operational plans on hybrid threats;
- Experience in coordination and information sharing between governmental agencies and services nationally and internationally;
- Experience in strategic communications and campaigns (operationally as well as conceptually).

7. Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Knowledge of Russia's hybrid strategies;
- Knowledge of EU policy framework for enhancing resilience to and countering hybrid threats, or for cybersecurity;
- Knowledge of current practices in the field of inter-service cooperation;
- Knowledge of Romanian or/and Russian language.

Position Name: Strategic Adviser on Cyber Security	Employment Regime: Seconded	
Ref. Number: MOL 39	Location: Chisinau	Availability: ASAP
Component/Department/Unit: Operations Department/Hybrid threats and Cyber security Component	Security Clearance Level: EU SECRET	Open to Contributing Third States: No

1. Reporting Line:

The Strategic Adviser on Cyber Security reports to the Head of Hybrid Threats and Cyber Security Component

2. Main Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To operationalise the Mission mandate and tasks as set out in the planning documents and the Mission Implementation Plan by advising and mentoring local counterparts on the strategic and operational levels;
- To support the Mission to address areas of structural weaknesses in the performance and accountability of counterparts/institutions and propose relevant solutions;
- To provide strategic advice, operational support and assistance to the relevant Moldovan partners to strengthen their strategic and operational cyber security abilities, particularly conceptual assistance in the transformation of the Moldovan cyber security landscape;
- To facilitate support and liaison of Member States and like-minded state institutions countering hybrid threats and cyber attacks;
- According to operational needs, liaison with international bodies and EU institutions, bodies and agencies;
- To identify and advise the relevant Moldovan partners on the capacity and training opportunities on cyber security, particularly relating to legislation, policy and structural design;
- To support the relevant Moldovan partners in identifying the appropriate equipment and infrastructure needed to strengthen cyber security capabilities;
- To manage, lead and facilitate projects and interventions on cyber security;
- To advise, support and facilitate the relevant Moldovan partners in implementing externally funded projects/initiatives in his/her field of expertise;
- To assist in the implementation of training activities on cyber security;
- To provide analysis and recommendations to the local counterpart in the area of responsibility.

3. General Tasks and Responsibilities:

- To contribute to mission reporting in the area of competence;
- To support and contribute to the identification of lessons learnt and best practices in the area of competence;
- To take account of gender equality and human rights aspects in the execution of tasks;
- To perform any other tasks assigned by the Line Manager.

4. Essential Qualifications and Experience:

- Successful completion of university studies of at least 4 years attested by a diploma OR a qualification in the National Qualifications Framework which is equivalent to level 7 in the European Qualifications Framework OR a qualification of the second cycle under the framework of qualifications of the European Higher Education Area, e.g. Master's Degree OR equivalent and attested police or/and military education or training or an award of an equivalent rank;
AND
- A minimum of 4 years of relevant professional experience, after having fulfilled the education requirements.

5. Essential Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Proven knowledge of cyber security at an operational but also strategic level, including relevant experience on either strategic or operational levels gained in a governmental agency or equivalent;
- Good knowledge of cyber security architecture requirements, EU good cyber practices, and technical solutions;
- Experience on international security standards e.g. NIST Cyber Security Framework, ISO27000 series, CIS Security Controls or similar.
- Ability to mentor and motivate local national counterparts;
- Experience of designing and delivering training.

6. Desirable Qualifications and Experience:

- Mission experience, e.g., CSDP, UN, OSCE etc.
- Experience in developing strategies, policies and/or operational plans on cyber security;
- International recognised certification(s), e.g. ISACA: CISM, CRISC, CISA or ISC2: CISSP, CCSP or similar;
- Experience in coordination and information sharing between governmental agencies and services nationally and internationally;
- Cyber Security Authority experience (operationally as well as conceptually).

7. Desirable Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Knowledge of Russia's hybrid strategies;
- Knowledge of EU policy framework for enhancing for cybersecurity;
- Knowledge of current practices in the field of inter-service cooperation;
- Knowledge of Romanian or/and Russian language.