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**To:** All UNFICYP, OSASG-Cyprus and CMP Personnel

**From:** Joel Cohen  
Chief of Mission Support

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**Subject:** **Job Opening # 172489 – Programme Management Assistant (G6)**

1. Please find herewith, the details for the following job opening:

**Post Title**

Programme Management Assistant G6 JO# 172489

**Office/ Section**

Civil Affairs Section

2. Candidates are required to complete their respective Personal History Profile (PHP) in the Inspira Platform (internal candidates should register and log in through <https://inspira.un.org>, while external candidates should register and log in through <https://careers.un.org>) and submit their application through the Inspira platform no later than **26 February 2022.**

3. Applicants are strongly encouraged to follow “Applicant Guide” under the “Manuals” section in Inspira, when completing their Personal History Profile.



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Post Title: Programme Management Assistant  
Office: Civil Affairs Section  
Job Opening#: 172489  
Duty Station: Nicosia HQ and Sectors  
Type of Contract: Fixed-Term

Work Base: UNPA  
Category: General Services  
Level: GL6  
Deadline: 26 February 2022

**For further details related to the Job Opening, interested applicants are encouraged to visit the following link:**

[https://inspira.un.org/psc/UNCAREERS/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/UN\\_CUSTOMIZATIONS.UN\\_JOB\\_DETAIL.GBL?Page=UN\\_JOB\\_DETAIL&Action=A&SiteId=1&JobOpeningId=172489&PostingSeq=1](https://inspira.un.org/psc/UNCAREERS/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/UN_CUSTOMIZATIONS.UN_JOB_DETAIL.GBL?Page=UN_JOB_DETAIL&Action=A&SiteId=1&JobOpeningId=172489&PostingSeq=1)

Posting Title : Programme Management Assistant, G6  
Job Code Title : Programme Management Assistant  
Department/ Office : Sector 1 Unit  
Location : NICOSIA  
Posting Period :  
Job Opening number : 22-PGM-OSRSGCM OSA CAS S1U-172489-R-NICOSIA  
(M)  
Staffing Exercise : N/A

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**United Nations Core Values: Integrity, Professionalism, Respect for Diversity**

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### **Org. Setting and Reporting**

This position is located in United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus, Nicosia. The incumbent will report to the Civil Affairs Officer in Sector 1 and the Chief of Civil Affairs Section or her/his designated.

Please note that this position is not based in Nicosia and will require duty outside office hours including weekends and frequent travel to a variety of locations

### **Responsibilities**

- Assists in the coordination of programme/project planning and preparation; monitors status of programme/project proposals; takes necessary action to ensure project documents are completed and submitted to relevant parties for approval.
- Assists in the monitoring and evaluation of programmes/projects; categorizes, updates, tracks and analyses data related to programmes/projects, e.g. accounting records, outputs, resources utilized, deviations/revisions, etc.; carries out periodic status reviews, identifies issues and initiates requisite follow-up actions; prepares revised budget estimates; reports on budget revisions, expenditures and obligations, verifies availability of funds; ensures necessary approval and entry in the computerized budget system; initiates financial authorizations for expenditures.
- Collaborates with programme/project managers on performance reporting; liaises with relevant parties on the interpretation of the activities/services and various planning instruments such as internal work plans; provides assistance on reporting requirements, guidelines, rules and procedures and ensures completeness and accuracy of data submitted.

- Assists in the preparation and analysis of programme/project budget proposals; provides assistance in the interpretation of budget guidelines; reviews and coordinates submissions of programme proposals and budget estimates, ensuring that requisite information is included and justified in terms of proposed activities; proposes adjustments as necessary; prepares reports and ensures that outputs/services are properly categorized.
- Drafts programme/project summaries, coordinates review and clearance process, and coordinates with editor, translation services, etc. on finalization and publication of reports.
- Coordinates the publication of information communications products and advisory materials.
- Serves as focal point for coordination, monitoring and expedition of programme/project implementation activities, involving extensive liaison with diverse organizational units to initiate requests, prepares standard terms of reference against programme/project objectives, obtains necessary clearances, processes and follows-up on administrative and logistical actions and resolves issues related to project implementation, e.g. recruitment and appointment of personnel/consultants/interpreters, travel arrangements, organization of and participation in training/study tours, authorization of payments, disbursement of funds, procurement of equipment and services, etc.
- Prepares, maintains and updates files (electronic and paper) and internal databases; designs and generates a variety of periodic and ad hoc reports, statistical tables, graphic content, and other background materials/notes to facilitate inspection and other reviews.
- Researches, compiles, analyses, summarizes, and presents basic information/data on specific programmes/project and related topics.
- Drafts correspondence and communications related to all aspects of programme/project administration, including work plan and budgets, revisions and other related issues, as well as prepares unit contributions for a variety of periodic reports.
- Provides guidance and training to new/junior staff.
- Maintains and certifies administrative data and records for time and attendance, performance appraisal, etc.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

## **Competencies**

Professionalism: Knowledge of internal policies, processes and procedures generally and in particular those related to programme/project administration, implementation and evaluation, technical cooperation, programming and budgeting. Understanding of the functions and organization of the work unit and of the organizational structure and respective roles of related units. Ability to identify and resolve a range of issues/problems and to work well with figures, undertake basic research and gather information from standard sources. Demonstrated ability to apply good judgment in the context of assignments given. Shows pride in work and in achievements; demonstrates professional competence and mastery of subject matter; is conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results; is motivated by professional rather than personal concerns; shows persistence when faced with difficult problems or challenges; remains calm in stressful situations. Takes responsibility for incorporating gender perspectives and ensuring the equal participation of

women and men in all areas of work.

**Teamwork:** Works collaboratively with colleagues to achieve organizational goals. Solicits input by genuinely valuing others' ideas and expertise; is willing to learn from others. Places team agenda before personal agenda. Supports and acts in accordance with final group decision, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position. Shares credit for team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.

**Planning and organizing:** Develops clear goals that are consistent with agreed strategies. Identifies priority activities and assignments; adjusts priorities as required. Allocates appropriate amount of time and resources for completing work. Foresees risks and allows for contingencies when planning. Monitors and adjusts plans and actions as necessary. Uses time efficiently.

## **Education**

High school diploma or equivalent is required.

## **Job Specific Qualifications**

### **Work Experience**

At least seven (07) years of progressively responsible experience in programme or project administration, technical cooperation or related areas are required.

Experience of liaison and relationship building in the Cyprus context is required.

Experience working at the rural level is desirable.

Experience of dealing with local authorities is highly desirable.

## **Languages**

English and French are the working languages of the United Nations Secretariat. For this position, fluency in English is required. Knowledge of Turkish is desirable.

## **Assessment**

Evaluation of qualified candidates may include an assessment exercise which may be followed by a competency-based interview.

## **Special Notice**

Applicants in the General Service category shall meet the relevant employment requirements of the host country (Republic of Cyprus), including fulfilling visa or work permit stipulations.

The United Nations Secretariat is committed to achieving 50/50 gender balance in its staff. Female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply for this position

## **United Nations Considerations**

According to article 101, paragraph 3, of the Charter of the United Nations, the paramount consideration in the employment of the staff is the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence, and integrity. Candidates will not be considered for employment with the United Nations if they have committed violations of international human rights law, violations of international humanitarian law, sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, or sexual harassment, or if there are reasonable grounds to believe that they have been involved in the commission of any of these acts. The term "sexual exploitation" means any actual or attempted abuse of a position of vulnerability, differential power, or trust, for sexual purposes, including, but not limited to, profiting monetarily, socially or politically from the sexual exploitation of another. The term "sexual abuse" means the actual or threatened physical intrusion of a sexual nature, whether by force or under unequal or coercive conditions. The term "sexual harassment" means any unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that might reasonably be expected or be perceived to cause offence or humiliation, when such conduct interferes with work, is made a condition of employment or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment, and when the gravity of the conduct warrants the termination of the perpetrator's working relationship. Candidates who have committed crimes other than minor traffic offences may not be considered for employment.

Due regard will be paid to the importance of recruiting the staff on as wide a geographical basis as possible. The United Nations places no restrictions on the eligibility of men and women to participate in any capacity and under conditions of equality in its principal and subsidiary organs. The United Nations Secretariat is a non-smoking environment.

The paramount consideration in the appointment, transfer, or promotion of staff shall be the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence, and integrity. By accepting an offer of appointment, United Nations staff members are subject to the authority

of the Secretary-General and assignment by him or her to any activities or offices of the United Nations in accordance with staff regulation 1.2 (c). In this context, all internationally recruited staff members shall be required to move periodically to discharge new functions within or across duty stations under conditions established by the Secretary-General.

Applicants are urged to follow carefully all instructions available in the online recruitment platform, *inspira*. For more detailed guidance, applicants may refer to the Manual for the Applicant, which can be accessed by clicking on "Manuals" hyper-link on the upper right side of the *inspira* account-holder homepage.

The evaluation of applicants will be conducted on the basis of the information submitted in the application according to the evaluation criteria of the job opening and the applicable internal legislations of the United Nations including the Charter of the United Nations, resolutions of the General Assembly, the Staff Regulations and Rules, administrative issuances and guidelines. Applicants must provide complete and accurate information pertaining to their personal profile and qualifications according to the instructions provided in *inspira* to be considered for the current job opening. No amendment, addition, deletion, revision or modification shall be made to applications that have been submitted. Candidates under serious consideration for selection will be subject to reference checks to verify the information provided in the application.

Job openings advertised on the Careers Portal will be removed at 11:59 p.m. (New York time) on the deadline date.

### **No Fee**

THE UNITED NATIONS DOES NOT CHARGE A FEE AT ANY STAGE OF THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS (APPLICATION, INTERVIEW MEETING, PROCESSING, OR TRAINING). THE UNITED NATIONS DOES NOT CONCERN ITSELF WITH INFORMATION ON APPLICANTS' BANK ACCOUNTS.