

Vacancy Notice

for establishing a reserve list

HR Officer – HR Compliance & Risk Management

Job title:	HR Officer – HR Compliance & Risk Management
Reference number:	EPPO/2022/AD/017
Type of contract:	Temporary staff (initial contract of 3 years), full-time
Function group & grade:	AD 5
Salary:	minimum basic monthly salary € 5.130,98 and benefits; see further information below
Place of work:	Luxembourg, LUXEMBOURG
Closing date:	04 August 2022 ¹ at 23:59 (CET) 05 September 2022 at 23:59 (CET)

The <u>European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)</u>, the independent public prosecution office of the European Union, is seeking applications for the position of HR Officer – HR Compliance & Risk Management.

The EPPO is a new and fast-growing EU body responsible for investigating, prosecuting and bringing to judgment crimes against the financial interests of the EU. If you are interested in being part of a dynamic multicultural organisation, check out <u>our website</u> where you will find more information about career opportunities at the EPPO, and living and working in Luxembourg.

1. THE ROLE

As a member of the Human Resources unit, you will contribute to the development and execution of an HR vision and strategy that will enable the EPPO to build and grow a talented, engaged and diverse workforce aligned to its organisational needs.

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Under the strategic guidance of EPPO's Administrative Director, the Human Resources (HR) unit is developing and providing an expanding portfolio of comprehensive Human Resources services that the European Public Prosecutor's Office is leveraging to deliver its mission and objectives. As such, the HR unit is a strategic business partner to the rest of the EPPO central and local (decentralised) components.

Through the ongoing build-up and upcoming development phases, the EPPO HR unit offers an innovative, challenging and rewarding working environment to talented professionals looking to grow in an HR generalist career with a purpose, i.e. contributing to build a brand-new component of the European Union's Justice Framework.

2. YOUR TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Reporting to the Head of Human Resources, you will work as an HR specialist with the perspective to further develop in one or more HR areas alongside the evolution of the organisation and its business needs.

Your tasks will possibly include (but not be limited to):

- Driving all activities related to HR policies, compliance, risk management and budget: design, develop, implement and drive relevant policies, programs and strategies;
- Ensuring the implementation of HR implementing rules within the EPPO, in line with the EU Staff Regulations and Implementing rules. Work in close partnership with the HR and Legal teams, as well as other EPPO and EU Administration stakeholders;
- Managing HR risk and compliance monitoring activities in order to avoid and resolve business and administrative risks and challenges. Monitor the compliance of HR processes and systems with the EU regulatory framework (eg. Staff Regulations, Implementing Rules) and identify potential risks. Coordinate with different HR areas that they conduct self-assessment;
- Performing risks review for processes that are either delegated to other EU Administration bodies (eg. pay & benefits) or outsourced. Identify key risks related to the delegation or outsourcing arrangements and ensure appropriate controls are in place. Work closely with stakeholders on assessment in line with performance and regulatory standards;
- Leading education and training in Risks, Compliance and Regulatory requirements: share operational risks management and compliance best practice with line managers and the HR team;
- Providing support in the enforcement of data protection and privacy requirements;



- Supporting business continuity management activities;
- Coordinating the interactions of the EPPO Staff Committee with the EPPO leaders and Human Resources unit, provide support for the preparation and follow-up of the meetings gathering the Staff Committee and EPPO management/ human resources;
- Managing regulatory and budgetary reporting, deliver quarterly operational HR dashboards.

3. BASIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be considered eligible, you must satisfy each of the following basic eligibility requirements by the application's closing date:

• Have a level of education which corresponds to completed university studies attested by a diploma when the normal period of university education is **three (3) years** or more.

You must also:

- be a national of one of the Member States of the Union and enjoy full rights as a citizen;
- have fulfilled any obligations imposed by the laws concerning military service;
- produce the appropriate character references as to the suitability for the performance of your duties²;
- be physically fit to perform your duties³; and
- produce evidence of a thorough knowledge of one of the official languages of the EU and of a satisfactory knowledge of another official language of the EU, to the extent necessary for the performance of your duties.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

The following experience and competencies will be assessed throughout the different phases of the selection procedure.

Please note: You must provide specific examples of how you meet both the essential and advantageous requirements in the application form.

² If successful, you will be asked to provide, prior to recruitment, a formal certificate confirming the absence of any criminal record from pertinent authorities.

Prior to recruitment, the successful candidate will be examined by one of the Institutions' medical centres to confirm that the requirements of Article 12 (2) (d) of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the EU are met.



• Essential:

- a) Proven experience of at least 5 (five) years in HR policies, compliance and risk management, both from an operational and strategic point of view;
- b) Ability to analyse, interpret and communicate relevant and complex information clearly and accurately;
- c) Experience in project and change management.

Advantageous:

- a) Knowledge of EU Staff Regulations, as well as experience of applying and translating HR Implementing rules into operational policies and processes;
- b) Experience in education and training;
- c) Experience in managing interactions with Staff Committees.

Interpersonal skills:

- a) Good analytical and problem-solving skills and ability to think creatively;
- b) Excellent organisational skills: capacity to work on several projects simultaneously, strong ability to organise and prioritise, focusing on results;
- c) Ability to work under pressure to meet the targets by responding to changes in a rapidly evolving work/project environment;
- d) Ability to work both in a team and independently, providing support with high standards of (internal) customer mind-set;
- e) Excellent communication skills in English, both orally and in writing.

5. YOUR SALARY AND BENEFITS

Successful candidate(s) may be offered a contract as a temporary agent of the type 2(f) in accordance with the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union (CEOS) for an initial period of three (3) years, which may be renewed for another period of three (3) years. After the second period, the contract may be renewed for an indefinite period.

Successful candidate(s) who will be offered a contract of employment will, on their entry into service, be placed on Step 1 or Step 2 of the Function Group AD, Grade 5, depending on the length of the professional experience. The basic monthly salary for Function Group AD, Grade 5 is currently € 5.130,98 (Step 1).

In addition to the basic salary, the following benefits might apply:



- Additional specific allowances (e.g. expatriation, household, dependent child, installation), depending on the individual's family situation and the place of origin;
- Flexible work arrangements (such as flexible working hours, teleworking);
- Training and development opportunities;
- Annual leave entitlement of at least 24 days;
- Maternity/paternity leave and parental leave under certain conditions;
- Sickness and Unemployment Insurance Scheme enabling access to care worldwide;
- EU Civil Service Pension rights after 10 years of service;
- Opportunities for management career development in the EU Public Service.

The salary is subject to a Community tax deducted at source and staff members are exempt from national taxation.

6. HOW TO APPLY

Download and fill in the EPPO Application form – it can be found on our website: https://www.eppo.europa.eu/how-to-apply
 Save your completed form as follows: SURNAME_Name_Reference number
 Send the completed EPPO Application form, in PDF format, to our Selection and Recruitment team eu-eppo-recruitment-s@ec.europa.eu by 05 September 2022 at 23:59 (CET).
 In the email subject line, please mention the reference of this vacancy, followed by your surname (Subject: Reference number_SURNAME)

Please note that the reserve list will be valid until 31/12/2023, and might be extended.



Annex to the Vacancy Notice

1. Application procedure

Please refer to the job description under 'Your tasks and responsibilities' for detailed application instructions.

- **Eligibility:** Candidates are required to carefully check, in advance of submitting an application, whether they meet all the eligibility criteria particularly concerning the required types of diplomas and professional experience, as well as their linguistic abilities.
- **Security clearance**: The candidate must either be a holder of a valid security clearance of the level of "SECRET UE/EU SECRET" or be willing to undergo the national security vetting procedure (in order to be allowed to perform the job).
- Language: All applications must be in English.
- Application form: Applications not sent using the EPPO application form will be disqualified and treated as non-eligible, as will incomplete and/or not readable applications and not sent in PDF format.

• Professional experience:

ANY GIVEN PERIOD MAY BE COUNTED ONLY ONCE (in order to be calculated as eligible, years of studies or professional experience to be taken into account shall not overlap with other periods of studies or professional experience, e.g. if the applicant had a full-time job and did freelance consultancy work in the evenings and weekends, the days spent on the latter will not be added to the period).

Part-time work experience will be counted in proportion to the percentage of fulltime hours worked; therefore, candidates are requested to indicate the percentage of part-time employment.

Compulsory military service or equivalent civilian service accomplished after achieving the minimum qualification stated above shall be taken into consideration as professional experience if official documentation is provided.

Free-lance or self-employed applicants must provide either a practicing certificate (or equivalent), or a copy of the entry in the relevant trade register, or any other official document (for example a tax document) showing clearly the length of the relevant professional experience.

• Education:

Only qualifications that have been awarded in EU Member States or that are subject



to the equivalence certificates issued by the authorities in the EU Member States will be taken into consideration.

PhDs may be counted as professional experience only if the candidates received a study grant or salary during the time of PhD studies. The maximum duration counted for PhD is three years, provided that the PhD has been successfully concluded by the closing date for applications of the selection procedure.

- **Supporting documents:** e.g. certified copies of degrees/diplomas, references, proof of experience, etc. should not be sent at this stage, but must be submitted at a later stage of the procedure upon request of the EPPO.
- Application deadline: The EPPO will disregard any application sent after the
 deadline. Applicants are strongly advised not to wait until the last day to submit
 their applications, since heavy internet traffic or a fault with the internet connection
 could lead to difficulties in submission. The EPPO cannot be held responsible for any
 delay due to such difficulties.

Please note: Due to the high number of applications received in each selection procedure, only candidates shortlisted for interview will be contacted. All candidates will be informed when a procedure is closed.

2. Selection procedure

- 1. **Assessment of application:** The applications are assessed by a Selection Board against the eligibility requirements and the selection criteria.
- 2. **Job interviews and written tests:** The most suitable candidates are invited for an interview with the Selection Board and for a written test. They may be invited to an assessment centre, as well, if applicable.

3. Reserve list:

The Selection Board proposes, to the Administrative Director, a list of adequately skilled candidates to be included on a reserve list (talent pool).

Candidates placed on the reserve list may be considered for a position within either the EPPO or, after eventual agreement by the EPPO, one of the EU Agencies.

4. **Second job interview:** The Administrative Director may then carry out an additional interview of candidates selected from the reserve list to as to who should be offered the position.

In accordance with Articles 11 and 11a of the Staff Regulations (SR) and Article 11 of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union (CEOS), **the appointed candidate is required to make a declaration of interests** before the recruitment.



The EPPO Appointing Authority will examine whether the successful candidate has any personal interest which may impair their independence or any other conflict of interest in relation to the position offered, and will adopt appropriate measures accordingly.

All applications are treated fairly. Applicants will be assessed on the basis of their qualifications and in strict compliance with the principle of equal opportunities in order to make the best possible match between the profile of the candidate and the requirements of the job.

Under no circumstances should candidates contact the Selection Board, directly or indirectly, concerning this selection procedure. The Appointing Authority reserves the right to disqualify any candidate who would disregard this instruction.

3. Equal opportunities

The EPPO applies a policy of equal opportunities and accepts applications without discrimination on any grounds such as sex, race, colour, ethnic or social origin, genetic features, language, religion or belief, political or any other opinion, membership of a national minority, property, birth, disability, age or sexual orientation.

4. Privacy Notice

The EPPO processes the personal data submitted by the applicants as part of the application form, in any submitted supporting document at any stage in the selection and recruitment process, and communication related thereto. The purpose of this processing operation is to assess the suitability of candidates for a position at the EPPO and to administer the documentation related to the selection and/or recruitment. This includes also the processing of the submitted data for related administrative aspects, such as e.g. financial reimbursements, calculation of entitlements, etc.

During this processing, the personal data will be made available to selected staff working in Human Resources, Finance & Procurement, and in case of appeals or complaints, the Legal Service. Further, it will be made accessible to the members of the Selection Board, the Appointing Authority and respective supporting staff. Lastly, it may also be shared with other parties in the context and purpose of audits, inspections and internal investigations, be they internal or by supervisory authorities.

The personal data collected for this purpose will be stored for no longer than three (3) years following the financial discharge for the year in which the recruitment was finalised, in order to comply with audit obligations, unless ongoing legal proceedings, investigations or audits require their continued storage. Where the process led to employment of a candidate, some of the documentation and personal data contained therein will be carried over into the personnel file and subject to the regime applicable thereto.

The processing is necessary to select and recruit candidates suitable to cover the vacancies of



the EPPO and to therefore enable it to perform its tasks. The legal basis being implemented and binding on the EPPO's selection and recruitment process are the Staff Regulations of Officials and the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Union and their implementing rules. The applicable legal framework for data protection purposes for this processing of administrative personal data is Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 (OJ L 295 of 21.11.2018).

The applicant has the right at any time to request access to, rectification, restriction or erasure of their personal data. To exercise these rights, request assistance in their exercise or questions thereto, or file a complaint, they may contact the data controller, or the Data Protection Officer of the EPPO. They also have the right to address themselves to the European Data Protection Supervisor to lodge a complaint.

The controller is the EPPO, and for this process coordinated by the Head of Human Resources, can be contacted by email at eu-eppo-recruitment-s@ec.europa.eu.

The Data Protection Officer can be reached at EPPO-DPO@eppo.europa.eu.

The European Data Protection Supervisor can be contacted at edps@edps.europa.eu.

5. Appeals

Candidates, who consider that their interests have been prejudiced by any decision related to the selection procedure, may lodge an administrative complaint under Article 90(2) of the Staff Regulations of Officials of the European Union within the time limit provided for, at the following address:

European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)
For the attention of the Administrative Director, Mr Olivier RAMSAYER
HR Officer – HR Compliance & Risk Management, Ref EPPO/2022/AD/017
11, Avenue John F. Kennedy
1855 Luxembourg
Luxembourg

The complaint must be lodged within three (3) months. The time limit for initiating this type of procedure starts to run from the time the candidate is notified of the act adversely affecting them.