

VACANCY
OCHA oPt
SOCIO-ECONOMIC RESEARCHER, JERUSALEM HQ

OCHA's Mission Statement:

OCHA's mission is to mobilise and coordinate effective and principled humanitarian action in partnership with national and international actors in order to:

- alleviate human suffering in disasters and emergencies;
- advocate for the rights of people in need;
- promote preparedness and prevention; and
- facilitate sustainable solutions.

OCHA in the occupied Palestinian territory (oPt):

The OCHA oPt field office has its headquarters in Jerusalem with area offices in Gaza, Ramallah, Hebron, Nablus and Tulkarm. Its main role is to coordinate the UN humanitarian agencies activities; provide information on the humanitarian situation and advocate for lasting solutions to the current crisis in oPt. See OCHA-oPt website for more details.

Job Description:

Working under of the overall guidance of the Head of the Research and Analysis Unit, the Socio-Economic Researcher will provide socio-economic analysis related to the humanitarian situation in the oPt. This will involve collecting and analysing information from a range of sources including PCBS and integrating it into OCHA's various outputs. The other main component to the post is collecting and drafting the monthly UN Humanitarian Monitor report by coordinating and regularly gathering information and analysis from the sector working groups.

Specific Tasks:

- Request and gather data and information about labour market, closure, humanitarian access, the private sector and other issues from a range of sources including PA ministries, PCBS, Israeli sources, international agencies.
- Coordinate and regularly meet with sector working groups to collection and analyse monthly indicators and field observations that contribute to the UN Humanitarian Monitor as well as other reports.
- Participate in the drafting of the Humanitarian Monitor monthly report as well as other report writing.
- Analyze information, including socio-economic, access and protection of civilians, focusing on trends over time.
- Keep contacts with the other related data-providers, including the Palestinian and Israeli Central Bureaus of Statistics, NGOs and research institutes and liaise with OCHA field, information management and advocacy staff.
- Collect qualitative data through interviews and focus groups.
- Maintain OCHA's library, and ensure that staff are updated on new publications when they are released.
- Seek and maintain good relations with researchers and data-providing institutions and respond to any data requests.

Qualifications:

- Masters degree in Economics or Data Analysis;

- Strong knowledge of SPSS, EXCEL and statistical packages;
- Experience in data management and analysis;
- Experience working with PCBS would be an asset;
- Good writing, communication and presentation skills;
- Able to work in a multi-cultural community;
- Ability to work accurately and according to tight deadlines;
- Fluent written and spoken English and Arabic essential.

Please request an official UN Application Form (P11) by contacting Jerusalem 5829962/5825853/5828091. P11 must be completed in English.

Closing Date: 27 December 2006