

**Legal Researcher  
Re-Advertisement  
Individual Contract  
Jerusalem / OCHA oPt  
VA # 2011-014**

**Contract:** Individual Contract (IC)  
**Duty Station:** Jerusalem  
**Duration:** Two months  
**Starting date:** Immediately

**Background**

The humanitarian situation in oPt has been characterized by the international community as a protection crisis with serious and negative humanitarian consequences. In light of that, efforts to improve the humanitarian situation and the protection of civilians in oPt must be informed by and based on a thorough legal analysis, that can inform policy and decision-making at different levels, as well as reporting and advocacy. In order to further strengthen its work, as well as that of the Humanitarian Country Team, OCHA is looking for consultant, on a temporary basis, to assist with legal research and advice, based on international human rights and humanitarian law.

**Deliverables:**

Under the supervision of the Head of the Protection Unit and the Deputy Head of Office, the consultant will be responsible for legal research and analysis and the provision of legal recommendations to OCHA and the HCT. More specifically this will include the following deliverables:

- Conduct legal research and analysis, based on international human rights and humanitarian law, of a range of protection-related topics identified by OCHA and the Humanitarian Country Team.
- Provide concrete legal recommendations to support policy and decision-making in identified areas.
- Draft and finalize standardized legal language (boilerplate) on selected topics for use in reporting and advocacy by OCHA and the Humanitarian Country Team.

**Required Qualifications**

Education: Advanced education in international law, preferably both human rights and humanitarian law, or a related field.

Experience: At least 5 years of experience of humanitarian operations, with a focus on protection, human rights and/or humanitarian law.

Other skills: Proven ability of researching and analysing complex legal matters and providing policy-recommendations in the context of humanitarian operations.

Languages: Proficiency in spoken and written English

### **How to apply**

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For a full description of the post please visit the vacancies section on the OCHA – oPt website: [www.ochaopt.org](http://www.ochaopt.org)

All applicants are requested to email the following documents to the OCHA oPt Office by using the following e-mail address: [hr@ochaopt.org](mailto:hr@ochaopt.org)

1. Cover letter, in English (max 300 words) explaining why you think you are qualified for this post and why you would like to work for OCHA.
2. Please describe the methodology on how the above duties will be completed.
3. Completed United Nations Personal History Form (UN-P-11) in English providing full details of education, present and past employment, language skills, computer skills, etc.
4. Kindly submit a financial offer for the above mentioned Terms of Reference

The UN P-11 form can be found on OCHA's website: [www.ochaopt.org](http://www.ochaopt.org)

It would be appreciated your stating your full name and the OCHA vacancy notice number (2011-014) as the subject in your e-mail application.

Only qualified candidates should apply and only those who have been short listed will be contacted.

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 26 June 2011**

**Candidates who applied earlier need not to apply again**

**Women are encouraged to apply**