

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT: ELECTION ANALYST

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS SOMALILAND - 13 NOVEMBER 2017

Following an official invitation from the Government of Somaliland, University College London (UCL) is coordinating an Election Observation Mission to observe the Presidential Election scheduled to be held in Somaliland on 13th November 2017.

The EOM is fully independent of the Somaliland authorities, and will conduct its observation activities in accordance with the <u>Declaration of Principles for International Election</u>
Observation, agreed at the United Nations in 2005.

Position objective

Under the direction of the Chief Observer, and in conjunction with other members of the Coordination Team, the Election Analyst assesses the performance of Somaliland's election administration in complying with national legislation and regulations, and regional and international standards for democratic elections.

Main tasks

- Acquire knowledge of the election system as well as the political and legal situation;
- Acquire knowledge of all election-related legislation and regulations;
- Become familiar with regional and international standards for democratic elections relevant and/or applicable in Somaliland;
- Establish and maintain contact with the authorities in charge of administering the elections, as well as voter registration and identification, throughout the country;
- Assess the election administration's capacity, in relation to voter education initiatives, training of election officials, material production and distribution.
- Assess the performance of the election administration in line with national regulations and legislation, and regional and international standards for democratic elections;
- In consultation with other Coordination Team members, prepare STO observation report forms, ensuring that the information gathered can be processed effectively;
- Attend and participate in any other relevant meetings with other election stakeholders, as deemed necessary by the Chief Observer;
- Participate in observer briefings, debriefings and team meetings;

- Contribute to the preparation of interim reports, the preliminary statement and the final report, and remain available for consultation by phone and/or email until the final report is published;
- Support the activity of other analysts as required;
- Observe the voting process on election day, and assist with the coordination of short term observers, as required;
- Perform any other duty required for the good functioning of the EOM.

Deployment schedule and commitment

The analyst may be required to travel to Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and Nairobi, Kenya in addition to the EOM's core activities in Somaliland. The analyst will need to be available to travel from Tuesday, 17th October through Tuesday, 21st November, and will be compensated for a total of 26 working days, excluding weekends and travel days.

Compensation is competitive and will be negotiated with the selected candidate. Reasonable reimbursement for pre-agreed travel costs and expenses will be made.

Application process

Applications should be submitted to <u>c.goggin@uclconsultants.com</u> no later than 10am GMT on Monday, 25th September. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.