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Communication Officer, (NO-2), Maputo, Mozambique #4946, Fixed Term

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UNICEF works in over 190 countries and territories to save children's lives, defend their rights, and help them fulfill their potential, from early childhood through adolescence.

At UNICEF, we are committed, passionate, and proud of what we do. Promoting the rights of every child is not just a job – it is a calling.

UNICEF is a place where careers are built: we offer our staff diverse opportunities for personal and professional development that will help them develop a fulfilling career while delivering on a rewarding mission. We pride ourselves on a culture that helps staff thrive, coupled with an attractive compensation and benefits package.

Visit our website to learn more about what we do at UNICEF.

For every child, an advocate

For more information about UNICEF Mozambique's work please follow this link

You can also access and explore all new UNICEF vacancies via the UNICEF Mozambique website link herein.

How can you make a difference?

A challenging and exciting opportunity has arisen within UNICEF Mozambique for a passionate and committed Communication Officer, NO2 level based in Maputo.

Reporting to the Chief Advocacy and Communications (P5), the Communication Officer (NO-2) provides support for implementation and monitoring of UNICEF Mozambique communications strategy, with particular focus on relationship management and engagement with local media and communication networks, with the objective of getting children's and women's issues into the public domain, strengthening political will in support of

UNICEF's mission and objectives in the country, and enhancing the organization's credibility and brand. Supports efforts to strengthen visibility for donor support, and joint advocacy with key partners, thereby reinforcing partnerships and resource mobilization efforts, and shared advocacy around priority child rights issues. Supports planning and implementation of high-level and media visits to Mozambique.

Summary of key functions/accountabilities

Communication products and materials: The production of communication products and materials, including written products, speeches, talking points, are executed in a timely manner and followed up to support country communication strategy, regional and global campaigns and priorities, and to support resource mobilization as set out in the work plan.

Media relations: Positive relationships are established and maintained with local media outlets, journalists, and relevant communication networks in Mozambique, ensuring wide visibility for UNICEF Mozambique's priorities in domestic media. Effective and timely professional assistance and support are provided in developing, drafting and maintaining media products, press releases, statements, quotes, talking points, media Q&As, etc.

Donor visibility: Regular engagement with priority partners is ensured to ensure alignment around approaches to donor visibility and shared advocacy approaches. Guidance and leadership is shown on approach to donor visibility, and support provided to creation and dissemination of donor visibility content.

Monitoring and reputation management: Effectiveness of communication approaches and tactics, and in particular of media strategy and tactics, is monitored and evaluated on an ongoing basis, to ensure that optimal approaches are being utilized and changes made where needed. Emerging risks and opportunities for UNICEF's reputation in Mozambique are monitored to ensure mitigation of risks and capitalization of opportunities.

Celebrities, partners and special events: The Country Office's contact list of individuals, groups, organizations and fora (including Government, UN, and bilateral counterparts), is maintained and further developed, whose support is essential to/can assist in achieving the advocacy and communication objectives and who support and are able to actively participate in special events and activities that further the country programme goals. Logistical and organizational support is provided to facilitate visits from senior UNICEF staff, Goodwill Ambassadors, partners, and media representatives.

To qualify as an advocate for every child you will have...

The following minimum requirements:

Education:

A first university degree (equivalent to a Bachelor's) from an accredited institution is required in Communications, Journalism, Public Relations or a related field is required.

Work Experience:

At least 2 years practical professional work experience in communication, print and broadcast media, or interactive digital media is required;

Field work experience is required.

Language Requirements:

Fluency in English and Portuguese is required.

Other job specific requirements:

Ability and willingness to travel to the field on regular occasions, and sometimes at short notice, is required to fulfil the requirements of this position.

The following desirables:

Background/familiarity with Emergency situations.

Knowledge of another official UN language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish) or a local language.

For more information, the detailed job description is available via this link [JD](#)

Communication Officer

For every Child, you demonstrate...

UNICEF's Core Values of Care, Respect, Integrity, Trust and Accountability and Sustainability (CRITAS) underpin everything we do and how we do it. Get acquainted with Our Values Charter: [UNICEF Values](#)

The UNICEF competencies required for this post are...

(1) Builds and maintains partnerships (2) Demonstrates self-awareness and ethical awareness (3) Drive to achieve results for impact (4) Innovates and embraces change (5) Manages ambiguity and complexity (6) Thinks and acts strategically (7) Works collaboratively with others
Familiarize yourself with our competency framework and its different levels.

This position has been assessed as an elevated risk role for Child Safeguarding purposes as it is: a role with direct contact with children, works directly with children, or is a safeguarding response role. Additional vetting and assessment for elevated risk roles in child safeguarding (potentially including additional criminal background checks) apply.

UNICEF is here to serve the world's most disadvantaged children and our global workforce must reflect the diversity of those children. The UNICEF family is committed to include everyone, irrespective of their race/ethnicity, age, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, nationality, socio-economic background, or any other personal characteristic.

We offer a wide range of benefits to our staff, including paid parental leave, breastfeeding breaks, and reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities. UNICEF strongly encourages the use of flexible working arrangements.

UNICEF does not hire candidates who are married to children (persons under 18).

UNICEF has a zero-tolerance policy on conduct that is incompatible with the aims and objectives of the United Nations and UNICEF, including sexual exploitation and abuse, sexual harassment, abuse of authority, and discrimination. UNICEF is committed to promoting the protection and safeguarding of all children. All selected candidates will undergo rigorous reference and background checks and will be expected to adhere to these standards and principles. Background checks will include the verification of academic credential(s) and employment history. Selected candidates may be required to provide additional information to conduct a background check.

UNICEF appointments are subject to medical clearance. Issuance of a visa by the host country of the duty station is required for IP positions and will be facilitated by UNICEF.

Appointments may also be subject to inoculation (vaccination) requirements, including against SARS-CoV-2 (Covid). Should you be selected for a position with UNICEF, you either must be inoculated as required or receive a medical exemption from the relevant department of the UN. Otherwise, the selection will be canceled.

Remarks:

As per 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.

UNICEF's active commitment to diversity and inclusion is critical to deliver the best results for children. For this position, eligible and suitable female and male candidates are encouraged

to apply.

Government employees who are considered for employment with UNICEF are normally required to resign from their government positions before taking up an assignment with UNICEF. UNICEF reserves the right to withdraw an offer of appointment, without compensation, if a visa or medical clearance is not obtained, or necessary inoculation requirements are not met, within a reasonable period for any reason.

UNICEF shall not facilitate the issuance of a visa and working authorization for candidates under consideration for positions at the national officer and general service category.

UNICEF does not charge a processing fee at any stage of its recruitment, selection, and hiring processes (, application stage, interview stage, validation stage, or appointment and training). UNICEF will not ask for applicants' bank account information.

All UNICEF positions are advertised, and only shortlisted candidates will be contacted and advance to the next stage of the selection process. An internal candidate performing at the level of the post in the relevant functional area, or an internal/external candidate in the corresponding Talent Group, may be selected, if suitable for the post, without assessment of other candidates.

There will be no relocation package offered for this post. The successful candidate will be responsible for his/her own relocation and settlement in the city where the post is based.

There is a salary calculator tool for local staff through this link. Please run simulations for an estimate of monthly and annual salary based on the post's level and location. When running the simulation, please select Mozambique (NEW) as the Duty Station.

Additional information about working for UNICEF can be found here.

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