

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Geneva

Vacancy Notice No.L13/02

The Secretariat of the WTO is seeking to fill a position of Counsellor in the Trade in Services Division to assist in technical cooperation and capacity-building work pursuant to the Doha Development Agenda. This is a special contract position of limited duration and is subject to a fast-track recruitment procedure as defined below. Applications from men and women are equally welcome.

TITLE AND GRADE:	Counsellor – Grade 9 ¹
STARTING SALARY:	Approximately Swiss francs 115,600 net p.a.
OTHER CONDITIONS:	<p>In accordance with WTO Staff Regulations and Staff Rules and WTO Pension Plan Regulations as applicable to fixed-term contracts for functions of limited duration.</p> <p>A package of expatriate benefits is available to staff recruited internationally.</p>
DATE OF ENTRY ON DUTY:	The successful candidate will be expected to take up his/her duties by the end of May 2002 at the latest.
TYPE OF APPOINTMENT:	Fixed-term for one year. The contract may be renewed subject to the fully satisfactory performance of the incumbent and the continuing availability of funds.
GENERAL FUNCTIONS:	<p>Under the supervision of the Director of the Division, the incumbent's duties will include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) conducting missions, independently or within small teams, with a view to enabling beneficiary countries to participate effectively in GATS matters and, in particular, the ongoing services round;b) developing and updating the training material required for effective lecturing in all services areas covered by GATS;c) analysing the ongoing services negotiations in view of the information and training needs of national administrations;d) assisting countries at various levels of economic development (with differing institutional structures, resource endowments etc.) in assessing their services trade in overall terms and individual sectors, identifying growth opportunities, and defining negotiating interests and priorities.
REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:	An advanced university degree in law or economics, including relevant studies in international law or economics, or equivalent proven professional knowledge and expertise. Familiarity with the structure and functioning of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS), the use of services statistics, and the application of basic economic and WTO-legal concepts to services trade. At least eight years of professional

¹The position may be offered at a lower grade if the selected candidate does not fully meet all the required qualifications.

experience in the field of multilateral trade negotiations, preferably in services. Lecturing and communication skills; familiarity with modern presentation techniques and equipment; ability to assess trade and legal developments in the light of relevant GATS provisions.

LANGUAGES:

Excellent knowledge of English and of Spanish or French, including an ability to write accurately, concisely and quickly in at least one of these languages. Knowledge of the third WTO official language would be an asset.

APPLICATIONS:²

The WTO is employing a fast-track process to fill the above post. **The following special conditions therefore apply in this case and must be strictly observed.**

- a) **Only** applications submitted on the WTO application form available from the WTO website (www.wto.org/vacancies) will be accepted.
- b) Candidates **must** indicate clearly in section 15 of the application form the vacancy notice for which they are applying.
- c) If a candidate is applying for more than one vacancy in this series, a separate application form **must** be used for each vacancy.
- d) Candidates are kindly requested to refrain from enquiring about progress of their application.
- e) Completed forms should be submitted to the following address:

Director, Administration and General Services Division
(Human Resources Section)
WTO
Centre William Rappard
154, Rue de Lausanne
CH-1211 Geneva 21
Switzerland

e-mail: recruitment@wto.org **Important:** please take care to specify L13/02 in the subject box.
Applications will **not** be acknowledged. Only applicants possessing the required qualifications will be taken into consideration. Only successful candidates will be notified of the outcome of the competition.

CLOSING DATE OF THIS
VACANCY NOTICE:

19 April 2002

²Only applications from nationals of WTO Members will be accepted.