Part-time Remote Internship Opportunity for Portuguese Speaking Candidates
PGA International Law and Human Rights Programme – Campaign for the Universality and Effectiveness of the Rome Statute of the ICC System

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THE PGA ICC CAMPAIGN

Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) is a network of more than 1,200 legislators from 136 parliaments around the world who use their legislative and political prerogatives for the solution of global problems and to undertake specific actions and international initiatives with the support of PGA’s secretariat. PGA works on an expanded list of global issues such as fostering democracy, international law and human rights, gender equality, non-discrimination, international peace and security, and the protection of the oceans.

Since 1989, under the umbrella of the International Law and Human Rights Programme, the PGA Campaign for the Universality and Effectiveness of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (PGA ICC Campaign) has contributed to the ratification of 78 of 123 States Parties to the Rome Statute to the International Criminal Court (ICC). On account of this Campaign, PGA is widely recognized as the parliamentary network working on international justice and the ICC.

The PGA’s Secretariat operates from its Headquarters Office in New York and its office in The Hague. PGA is a Steering Committee member of the Coalition of NGOs for the ICC.

POSITION: PART-TIME INTERN FOR THE PGA INTERNATIONAL LAW AND HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME

Parliamentarians for Global Action is recruiting a part-time intern for the implementation of a project on the ratification and, as appropriate, implementation of the Rome Statute in Lusophone countries, particularly Guinea-Bissau. The intern will further work in various tasks pertaining to the PGA’s International and Human Rights Law Programme, in particular the ICC Campaign, with the possibility to contributing to other PGA’s Campaigns.

The intern will support the team in collecting and organizing information on stakeholders and political developments in Guinea Bissau, and potentially other countries in the world.

In addition, the intern will be involved in administrative, logistic, and research activities, including providing support in the organization of virtual meetings and events and coordination of PGA’s social media, website and outreach tools.

Through this internship, the selected candidate will acquire advocacy and legal skills, and will have the opportunity of contributing directly to the universality and effectiveness of the Rome Statute. The
The intern might also have the opportunity to establish direct contact with politicians, their staff and/or human rights activists in selected countries.

The internship will be part time and remote. The number of working hours is subject to an agreement with the intern, but shall be no less than 15h a week. The duration of the internship is a minimum of three months. This internship is unpaid, but a small refund of expenses may be provided until April 2021.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Undergraduate, graduate or postgraduate studies in International Law, coupled with knowledge of domestic law of Portuguese-speaking countries (especially Constitutional Law and Criminal Law),
- Good written and oral communication, research and writing skills in English AND Portuguese are a requirement;
- Ability to work in teams, as well as independently and within the constraints of tight deadlines;
- Ability to take initiatives.

DESIRED COMPETENCIES

- Knowledge of international public law, particularly international criminal law
- Knowledge of the domestic law applicable in Lusophone countries
- Knowledge of the International Criminal Court and of legislative processes at national level (e.g. domestic procedures for constitutional reforms and ratification of treaties)
- Policy research and analysis, stakeholder identification, knowledge of international systems;
- Commitment towards social justice and the rule of law;
- Interest in political processes and the role of individuals to generate political will and transform it in concrete actions.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Qualified applicants are invited to submit a single file to internship1@pgaction.org. The application should include:

- A Cover Letter indicating their motivation, concrete competencies and confirming availability to commence in February or at the beginning of March 2021.
- Resume/CV, including a section with the name and relation to 1-2 professional reference(s).

The deadline for the application is 22 February 2021, but applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, so candidates are strongly encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Short-listed candidates will be invited to an interview. The Internship shall preferably commence in February 2021, or latest the beginning of March 2021. We regret to be unable to further contact or notify unsuccessful applicants for this position.