## PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR GLOBAL ACTION

## INTERNSHIP INTERNATIONAL LAW & HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR GLOBAL ACTION

**Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA)** is an international membership organization of over 1,300 legislators from 110 parliaments around the world. Established in 1978 by a group of concerned parliamentarians, PGA unites elected national government representatives to take action on global problems that cannot be solved by any one government or parliament. While its initial focus was on disarmament issues, PGA is currently working on advancing democracy, peace, sustainable development, population, international law and human rights.

**Background on PGA's International Law and Human Rights Program:** PGA played a crucial role in bringing the International Criminal Court (ICC) to the decision-making table of politicians and governments. In the last four years, PGA has, through its International Law and Human Rights Programme, successfully demonstrated political leadership for the early entry into force of the Rome Statute in more than 70 legislatures from around the world and contributed to the national ratification process in 56 of the current 99 States Parties.

The objective of the <u>PGA ICC Campaign</u> is to promote universal participation in the ICC system by way of ratification & effective implementation of the Rome Statute in domestic law, as well as to promote sustained parliamentary support for the ICC, thus furthering the rule of law.

The target groups of the project are MPs, particularly those sitting on Justice/Legislative/Constitutional & Foreign Affairs Committees, and – indirectly – their constituents and the representatives of other branches of State power, which are institutionally linked to the legislature.

**The main activities** include country-specific advocacy & education of MPs through consultations, briefings & strategy meetings, as well as the *Consultative Assembly of Parliamentarians for the ICC and the Rule of Law*.

*Terms of Internship:* This is an unpaid internship position based in New York City.

The internship will commence during the first week of July. Approximately 20 hours per week time commitment is preferred.

## <u>Position Description:</u>

- Interns will work under the direction of the Programme Associate, the Legal Advisor and Programme Officer
- Assist the International Law and Human Rights Programme in outreach to Members of Parliament in the Arab world on issues related to the International Criminal Court (ICC)
- Communicate directly with PGA members by phone and email on issues pertaining to the ICC
- Prepare memos and background documents on the ICC in Arabic
- Assist in planning future events in the Arab world

## Qualifications:

- Fluency in written and spoken Arabic
- Preferred fluency in written and spoken French
- Excellent writing, editing, and communication skills.
- International affairs/human rights background
- General knowledge of the International Criminal Court (ICC).

• Willing to work as a team player.

Please email your resume, cover letter and a short writing sample to Ms. Helen Vasilopoulos, Development Officer, <a href="https://example.com/Helen.v@pgaction.org">Helen.v@pgaction.org</a>

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