

**WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION**

WTO

Geneva

Vacancy Notice No.L08/02

The Secretariat of the WTO is seeking to fill a position of Counsellor in the Rules 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<sup>1</sup>
- STARTING SALARY:** Approximately Swiss francs 115,600 net p.a.
- OTHER CONDITIONS:** 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.
- A package of expatriate benefits is available to staff recruited internationally.
- DATE OF ENTRY ON DUTY:** The successful candidate will be expected to take up their 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:** The incumbent will serve in the Rules Division, which is responsible for, *inter alia*, the Agreements on Anti-Dumping Practices, Subsidies and Countervailing Measures, and Safeguards.
- As his/her primary responsibility, the incumbent will, under the supervision of the Director of the Division, provide detailed technical assistance, directly or through seminars and workshops, on issues relating to the negotiations on rules to developing country participants in the negotiations. The incumbent will also provide implementation assistance and policy advice to Member delegations and relevant governmental branches. The incumbent is also expected to develop and maintain detailed teaching materials, including case studies and simulation exercises, to be used in seminars and workshops.
- In addition, the incumbent will, under the supervision of the Director of the Division, perform the following functions:
- a) conduct research and prepare reports on legal, policy and technical issues concerning contingent trade remedies and the Agreements within the Division's competence;
  - b) serve, to the extent his/her principal duties permit, as secretary and/or legal officer to dispute settlement panels involving areas within the Division's competence;
  - c) undertake such other tasks as may be assigned by the Director.

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

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**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. A minimum of eight years' practical experience, including several years of experience in the contingent trade remedy area. In-depth knowledge of WTO rules in general and WTO trade-remedy rules in particular. Familiarity with GATT/WTO case law regarding trade remedies and subsidies. Clear understanding of the functioning of the WTO and economic and financial issues relevant for subsidies/countervail and anti-dumping. Excellent presentational skills, including the ability to explain complex technical issues to untrained audiences. Good knowledge and understanding of problems faced by developing countries in the implementation of WTO rules obligations. Ability to work independently, under tight deadlines, and to coordinate work and cooperate with others in a diverse international setting.

**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:<sup>2</sup>**

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](http://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 L08/02 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**

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<sup>2</sup>Only applications from nationals of WTO Members will be accepted.