

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

WTO

Geneva

Vacancy Notice No. 471

The Secretariat of WTO is seeking to fill the position of Legal Affairs Officer in the Legal Affairs Division. Applications from men and women are equally welcome. Serving staff members interested in this position are also invited to apply.

TITLE AND GRADE:	Legal Affairs Officer – Grade 8 ¹
STARTING SALARY:	Approximately Swiss francs 97,300 net p.a.
OTHER CONDITIONS:	<p>In accordance with WTO Staff Regulations and Staff Rules and WTO Pension Plan Regulations.</p> <p>A package of expatriate benefits is available to staff recruited internationally.</p>
TYPE OF APPOINTMENT:	Fixed-term for two years with possibility of extension.
GENERAL FUNCTIONS:	<p>Under the supervision of the Director of the Division, the incumbent will assist in carrying out the tasks assigned to the Legal Affairs Division. The tasks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) to advise delegates, dispute settlement panels and staff members on legal issues and precedents relating to the WTO and agreements negotiated under its auspices;(b) to provide Secretariat services for panels and working parties;(c) to prepare studies on legal matters;(d) to provide technical assistance and training on the WTO Agreements, including the WTO's dispute settlement procedures;(e) to prepare WTO publications for which the Division has responsibility, including the Analytical Index, Dispute Settlement Reports and the Update of WTO Dispute Settlement Cases.
REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:	An advanced university degree in law, including relevant studies in international trade law and public international law; a minimum of five years of relevant practical experience; thorough background in respect of the legal and economic issues relating to the WTO; ability to work independently and to cooperate with others in a diverse international setting.

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

LANGUAGES:

Excellent knowledge of English, including an ability to write accurately, concisely and quickly. Good working knowledge of French or Spanish would be an asset.

APPLICATIONS:²

Please use the online application form which may be downloaded from the WTO website – www.wto.org - under "vacancies". If you are unable to download the application form, please send an e-mail or fax to the Human Resources Section requesting the form. A completed form may also be submitted to the following address:

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

E-mail: humanresources@wto.org

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Please do not send your application via multiple routes. It is not necessary to follow your application up with copies of qualifications, previous employment contracts, entire publications etc.

Candidates **must** indicate clearly in section 15 of the application form the Vacancy Notice No. 471

Applications will **not** be acknowledged. Only applicants possessing the required qualifications will be taken into consideration. Only the successful candidate will be notified of the outcome of the competition.

Candidates are kindly requested to refrain from enquiring about progress of their application.

CLOSING DATE OF THIS
VACANCY NOTICE:

12 July 2002

No applications will be considered after this date.

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