Junior Legal Researcher

Job title: Junior Legal Researcher
Place of work: Basel, Switzerland
Employment rate: 40–50% (2 days per week)
Start date: 1 July 2021
Contract duration: 1 July 2021 until 31 December 2021 (with possibility of extension)
Reporting to: Asset Recovery Specialist at ICAR

About the Basel Institute on Governance / International Centre for Asset Recovery

The Basel Institute on Governance is an international and independent not-for-profit organisation working worldwide with the public and private sector to counter corruption and other financial crimes and to improve the quality of governance. Registered as a Swiss foundation with headquarters in Basel, the Institute operates globally and maintains field operations in Africa, Eastern Europe and Latin America. The Basel Institute is an Associated Institute of the University of Basel.

Within the Basel Institute, the International Centre for Asset Recovery (ICAR) is a specialist centre dedicated to supporting affected countries in recovering stolen assets through capacity building and technical assistance initiatives, including strategic case advice, and by contributing to the international policy dialogue on standard setting in asset recovery.

Position

The Junior Legal Researcher will predominantly assist ICAR staff through desk-based research into asset recovery-related issues, including the identification and summation of legislation, case law and academic papers relevant to ongoing ICAR projects.

The Junior Legal Researcher will work in collaboration with, and fall under the supervision of, a HQ-based Asset Recovery Specialist at ICAR. S/he will work with and report to other ICAR staff members on a task-by-task basis as designated by the Asset Recovery Specialist.

Responsibilities

- Conduct desk-based research into asset recovery-related issues
- Draft asset recovery-related documents based on research findings
- Assist with tasks related to ICAR publications
- Assist with other tasks as may be required by other divisions of the Basel Institute
Qualifications

- At the minimum a bachelor’s degree in law
- Excellent writing skills
- Strong English speaking and communication skills
- At least one other language: French, Spanish or Portuguese

Offer

We offer an interesting and rewarding working environment with a proactive, dynamic and international team spirit. The work is both routine and varied, and offers scope for initiative and innovation.

Application

Please send your full application, with a detailed CV and a motivation letter (submitted as a single PDF) by 4 June 2021 to application@baselgovernance.org.

Only Swiss nationals and candidates with a valid work permit for Switzerland can be considered for this post.

For further information about this position, please contact Andrew Dornbierer, Asset Recovery Specialist at ICAR (andrew.dornbierer@baselgovernance.org).

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