

The Secretary-General is pleased to announce the following:

The deadline for the submission of candidatures for the position of Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications (DPI) has been extended to 20 March 2017.

The Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications leads the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI) under the authority of the Secretary-General. The Under-Secretary-General is responsible for creating and implementing the United Nations' global communications strategy to ensure the work of the Organization is responsibly, meaningfully and powerfully communicated to global audiences in multiple languages. He/she ensures DPI's platforms, distribution tools and outreach capabilities are designed to have the strongest possible impact with the broadest possible audience. The Under-Secretary-General leads efforts to build and coordinate messaging and content from the United Nations system around the world, shining a spotlight on situations of importance and ensuring recognition of the United Nations's impact in serving people and working for development, peace and human rights. He/she will lead global campaigns on critical issues of priority for the Organization.

Further information on DPI is available on the following website:
<http://www.un.org/en/sections/department-public-information>

The Secretary-General is seeking an individual with the following:

- Recognized leader in strategic communications and media;
- Track-record in managing large media organizations/operations;
- Experience in transforming teams, preferably international, and in bringing about meaningful reform;
- Deep knowledge of digital media environment and its integration into a global communications strategy;
- Experience in developing strategic media partnerships;
- Recognized experience in leading global campaigns;
- Editorial experience in shaping narratives and building compelling multimedia content for important targeted audiences;
- Excellent understanding of digital distribution channels;
- Strong and persuasive public speaker;
- Profound knowledge of global affairs and the United Nations;
- Work experience in a multilateral organization or government institution would be desirable;
- High commitment to the values and guiding principles of the United Nations and familiarity with the United Nations system, including peacekeeping, human rights, humanitarian and development settings and challenges.

In order to ensure a wide pool of candidates for these positions, the Secretariat would welcome any applications to supplement the Secretary-General's own search and consultations. The Secretariat would especially welcome applications of women candidates.

Human rights screening

Individuals who are either nominated by Member States or who seek to serve with the United Nations in any individual capacity will be required, if short-listed, to complete a self-attestation stating that they have not committed, been convicted of, nor prosecuted for, any criminal offence and have not been involved, by act or omission, in the commission of any violation of international human rights law or international humanitarian law.

Conflicts of interest

Short-listed individuals will also be required to complete the pre-appointment declaration of interests for senior positions to identify possible conflicts of interest that may arise and to proactively prevent and manage, as much as possible and in a timely manner, situations in which personal interests may conflict or appear to conflict with the interests of the United Nations, should the individual be appointed to this position.

All applications should include the curriculum vitae of the candidates and must be received by 20 March 2017. Applications may also be sent to eosgapplications20172@un.org