

NOTIFICATION

Seminar for

LEGAL ANALYST

in European Union Election Observation Missions

Brussels, 30 January – 2 February 2018

Call for applications

Election Observation and Democracy Support (EODS II), a project funded by the European Commission, will organise a seminar for the position of Legal Analysts (LAs) in European Union Election Observation Missions (EU EOMs) from **Tuesday 30 January until Friday 2 February 2018**.

The seminar, that will take place at **EODS offices (first floor, rue de la Loi 82, Brussels)**, aims at gathering experienced LAs to discuss and compare current practices and challenges for the analysis of legislative frameworks for elections and complaints adjudication processes within EU EOMs.

This event is **designed for experienced analysts only**. The seminar intends to deepen knowledge and understanding of the main areas of assessment for the position of LAs.

The seminar will be conducted in English.

I. Seminar information

The seminar, that will last **four days**, is designed for a maximum of **15 participants from EU member States**.

The **EODS project covers travel and living expenses for participants**.

Interested individuals fulfilling the required criteria in Section II of this notification should directly **apply online to EODS through this link: www.eods.eu/application**. For a successful application, please fill-in the online form and include a CV. **Only online applications with the requested information and documents will be considered**.

Candidates may wish to inform their national Focal Points about their application for the seminar but still need to apply through the EODS link. The list of Focal Points can be found [here](#).

The deadline for receiving applications is 10 January 2018 at midnight (Brussels time).

Shortly after the closing of the application period candidates will be informed of their selection/non-selection by email.

II. Application Requirements

Please read carefully the general and specific requirements of the notification before considering your candidacy, as only applications meeting the requirements will be considered. Due to the high level of interest in such events, **EODS may be unable to answer individual questions** from prospective applicants.

1) General requirements for all training participants

- a) Be a **national of an EU Member State**.
- b) **Fulfil the minimum requirements to become an EU election observer** as defined in the EU Guidelines on Common Criteria for the Selection of Electoral Observers. The Guidelines can be found [here](#).

2) Specific requirements for candidates to the EODS seminar.

- a) **University degree in law, political science, international relations, or related field.**
- b) Previous **relevant Core Team professional experience in EU EOMs, as legal or election analyst, or Exploratory, Election Follow-up and Election Expert Missions.**
- c) **Alternatively, similar positions in other international organisations** involved in election observation will be also considered.
- d) Fluency in **English or fluency in French with a good knowledge of English.**

Other considerations:

- a) Candidates must be **available to attend the whole event.**

III. Criteria for selection

For the selection of the participants, the Selection Committee will consider the extent to which applicants fulfil the requirements listed in section II (Application Requirements). In particular, the Selection Committee will consider the following criteria for selecting the seminar participants:

- ✓ Number of core team positions in EU EOMs and other formats of observation missions,
- ✓ Number of core team positions with other international election observation organisations,
- ✓ Other election observation experience in EU EOMs,
- ✓ Other election observation experience in other international organisations,
- ✓ Gender and nationality, in order to keep a balanced representation of gender and EU nationalities among seminar participants,
- ✓ For candidates with EU EOM experience, evaluation of their performance in previous missions.

If a selected participant confirms attendance and then cancels participation for reasons other than force majeure, all costs incurred by EODS meanwhile will be invoiced to the participant.

Participation in the seminar will be noted in the EU roster for election observers.