

## Post Vacancy – Job description

- **Reference number** (to be quoted in all your communications): **2019-05**
- **Office location:** Panama, PANAMA
- **Position:** Technical Assistant - **Thematic expert in Protection and Gender**
- **Deadline for application:** 31 Mars 2019
- **Start date:** May/June 2019

### Job Description:

In order to facilitate and to maximise the impact of the humanitarian operations financed by the European Union and of the EU Civil Protection activities in Latin America and the Caribbean, the expert will be appointed as Technical Assistant (TA) to the post of Regional **Thematic Expert in Protection and Gender**, with responsibility also for Education in Emergencies, by the European Commission's Directorate General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO).

The expert contributes to the assessment of the humanitarian situation and needs of the affected populations in Protection and Gender, and Education in Emergencies. He/she monitors DG ECHO funded programs in these areas. He/she will also support DG ECHO in the development, dissemination and implementation of these thematic policies and practices throughout DG ECHO activities at field level. This role is carried out in close coordination with the thematic and geographic units at Headquarters and under the guidance of the Head of the Regional Office and in collaboration with the Heads of Offices of the concerned geographical area.

He/she is required to carry out regular field missions. At the request of DG ECHO Headquarters, the expert may also be called upon to carry out missions linked to his/her specific responsibilities to other regions or to Brussels, and should be prepared to react to a current or evolving crisis in any other region in the world.

### Place of assignment:

The expert is based in the Regional Office for Latin America and Caribbean in Panama. The office is dealing with complex crises, emergency response and disaster preparedness across the region as follow: in Central America and Mexico, situations of violence, food insecurity and disaster preparedness; in Colombia, internal conflict; in Venezuela, socio-economic crisis; in Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and Paraguay, disaster preparedness and Venezuelan refugee crisis; in Brazil, Venezuelan refugee crisis. In terms of emergency response, given the region's exposure to multiple hazards, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes and volcanic eruptions the post implies frequent short notice deployments to the affected areas.

### Qualification requirements and assets:

*General DG ECHO language requirements: mastering of at least 2 languages: English or French as 1<sup>st</sup> language; French, English, Spanish, Arabic or Russian as 2<sup>nd</sup> language.*

#### Requirements:

For the present position, a very good command of English and Spanish is compulsory.

The candidate should have at least 3 years' experience in delivering humanitarian assistance, of which 2 outside EU, industrialized country and country of origin.

The candidate must have at least 3 years in the domain of Protection and Gender.

#### Assets: experience in:

- LAC region
- Education in Emergencies
- Humanitarian aid integrated programming/mainstreaming
- Child protection in emergencies
- DG ECHO experience

**Application:**

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Interested candidates should send their application to [echo-experts-jobs@ec.europa.eu](mailto:echo-experts-jobs@ec.europa.eu):

**Subject of the message:** 2019-05– Thematic Expert – Protection & Gender – Panama, PANAMA

**With the following information:**

- Forename:
- Surname:
- E- mail:
- Phone number(s):
- ID application number (DG ECHO database "Individual Experts Online"):
- Available from (dd/mm/yyyy):

**Documents to be attached:**

- Curriculum Vitae
- Motivation Letter

**Please note that:**

- Only candidates registered in the DG ECHO Individual Experts database can apply:  
<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/dispo-extranet/CANDIDATES/>
- CV has to be recently updated in DG ECHO Individual Experts database
- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted