

OPERATIONS ASSISTANT - TEAM LEADER (FIELD SUPPORT)- G5

VACANCY NOTICE (VN)

Open to Internal and External Candidates

Position Title : **Operations Assistant – Team Leader (Field Support) – 1 Position**
Reference No : **VN/UG/007/2023**
Duty Station : **Kampala, Uganda**
Classification : **General Service (G5)**
Type of Appointment : **Fixed term, one year with possibility of extension**
Estimated Start Date : **As soon as possible**
Closing Date : **31st March 2023**

Established in 1951, IOM is a Related Organization of the United Nations, and as the leading UN agency in the field of migration, works closely with governmental, intergovernmental, and non-governmental partners. IOM is dedicated to promoting humane and orderly migration for the benefit of all. It does so by providing services and advice to governments and migrants. IOM is committed to a diverse and inclusive environment. Internal candidates are eligible to apply to this vacancy and are considered as first-tier candidates

ORGANIZATIONAL CONTEXT AND SCOPE

Since the inception of IOM in 1951, Movement Operations have been and continue to be a fundamental pillar of the Organization's work. The organized movement of persons in need of international migration assistance is a primary mandate of the Organization and a cornerstone of IOM's operations. This mandate has resulted in the international transport of more than 15 million migrants and refugees worldwide. Movement Operations Units in various IOM Country Offices, coordinated under the Division of Resettlement and Movement Management (RMM) in the Department of Operations and Emergencies (DOE) at IOM's Geneva Headquarters (HQ), are responsible for all aspects of travel for migrants and refugees under IOM's auspices, in accordance with the various framework agreements with resettlement and receiving Governments and partners across the spectrum of the Organization's programmes.

Under the general supervision of the Operations Associate and the direct supervision of Senior Operations Assistant, the Operations Assistant- Team Leader (Field Support) is responsible for undertaking movement operations activities in the field, with the following duties and responsibilities:

Core Functions / Responsibilities:

1. Undertake field activities in an assigned area or areas, such as at an airport, transit centre, third-party facility, camp-based operation, or sub-office, or in relation to transportation. As required, monitor and guide teams of Operations Clerks and Operations Assistants in completing field support activities.

2. In coordination with the Senior Operation Assistant Field Support, lead Field Support Teams as they perform airport services, as well as perform airport services when required, such as providing custodial care of travel documentation; verifying identities and documentation, including exit permissions, visas, tickets and other items in the travel bag; assisting with airport formalities, including flight arrivals, curbside assistance, check-in, luggage formalities, immigration procedures, security screening systems and customs clearance; escorting arriving individuals to ground transportation and departing individuals to their gates; visually confirming flights have departed; ensuring individuals with special needs or equipment receive appropriate support; and, as needed, sending notifications using relevant systems.
3. Lead Field Support Teams as they assist individuals at transit centres or third-party facilities, including upon arrival with sign-in, verification of identity, orientation, food and non-food items and room assignments; during their stay with food and non-food items, instructions, briefings, activities and resolution of issues; and upon departure for medical appointments, return travel or onward travel with briefings, luggage support and transition to transportation. Enter and update relevant data in the appropriate systems and ensure vulnerable individuals are assisted in a manner that ensures their safety, security, and comfort; report all issues immediately to the appropriate supervisor(s).
4. Assist in the coordination of timely and adequate services for meals, snacks and water for individual staying at Transit Centers, third-party facilities or during transit in airports and other locations. Work closely with the service provider to ensure meals are culturally appropriate and to reduce the level of waste while keeping the quality of the food at the highest standard.
5. Work with units and departments and beneficiaries on pre-departure formalities including but not limited to travel loans, luggage, prohibited items, bag tags and clothing/shoes. Assist with daily discussions with beneficiaries on cleanliness, litter, and hygiene. Keep all posters and informational messages up-to-date and placed in visible locations.
6. Provide assistance at transit centers and third-party facilities for extended periods of up to 12 hours and during overnight periods, ensuring the needs of individuals are met throughout their stay. Communicate promptly with third-party facility representatives and/or supervisors if issues arise.
7. Lead the coordination of transportation from consolidation points, transit centers and third-party facilities, including liaising with service providers, ensuring the identity verification, readiness and organization of individuals being transported, and providing relevant briefings. Ensure baggage sorting, tagging, and handling is done appropriately and arrange for individuals to be escorted on transportation as needed. Ensure persons with special needs are provided with appropriate services and report any issues to supervisors immediately.
8. Provide selection mission support, exit permit support and/or interpretation services for individuals at the airport, in transit centers, camps, consolidation points and third-party facilities or during transport by air, ground or water.
9. Provide regular feedback on work being accomplished to the Senior Operations Assistant and keep supervisors immediately informed of any issues requiring their attention.
10. Alert Senior Operations Assistant or management of any non-compliance to SOPs or codes of conduct by IOM staff members or partners.
11. Perform such other duties as may be assigned.

Required Qualifications and Experience

Education

- Completed University degree with two years of work experience from an accredited institution, or
- Completed High school diploma with four years of relevant professional experience

Experience

- Prior Movement Operations or transportation experience is a strong advantage.

Skills

- Strong computer skills - Word, Excel, and Internet; Strong interpersonal skills

Languages

- Fluency in English
- Working Knowledge of Swahili and any other UN languages.

Required Competencies

The incumbent is expected to demonstrate the following values and competencies:

Values

- **Inclusion and respect for diversity** respects and promotes individual and cultural differences; encourages diversity and inclusion wherever possible.
- **Integrity and transparency**: maintain high ethical standards and acts in a manner consistent with organizational principles/rules and standards of conduct.
- **Professionalism**: demonstrates ability to work in a composed, competent, and committed manner and exercises careful judgment in meeting day-to-day challenges.
- **Courage**: Demonstrates willingness to take a stand on issues of importance.
- **Empathy**: Shows compassion for others, makes people feel safe, respected, and fairly treated.

Core Competencies – behavioral indicators *level 1*

- **Teamwork**: Develops and promotes effective collaboration within and across units to achieve shared goals and optimize results.
- **Delivering results**: Produces and delivers quality results in a service-oriented and timely manner. Is action oriented and committed to achieving agreed outcomes.
- **Managing and sharing knowledge**: Continuously seeks to learn, share knowledge, and innovate.
- **Accountability**: Takes ownership for achieving the Organization's priorities and assumes responsibility for own actions and delegated work.
- **Communication**: Encourages and contributes to clear and open communication. Explains complex matters in an informative, inspiring, and motivational way.

How to apply:

In order for an application to be considered valid, IOM will only accept applications which should include a cover letter (not more than one page) and résumé highlighting the required education and experience.

Interested applicants may send their applications to huganda@iom.int no later than **31st March 2023**. Reference Number and Position Title: **VN/UG/007/2023 – Operations Assistant – Team Leader (Field Support) - Kampala, Uganda** should be specified in the SUBJECT field.

Applications from qualified female candidates are especially encouraged.

Only short-listed candidates will be invited for an interview.

Posting period:

From 17th March 2023 to 31st March 2023.