

OPERATIONS ASSISTANT – (FS) Arua – G4

VACANCY NOTICE (VN)

Open to Internal and External Candidates

Position Title : **Operations Assistant – (Field Support)**
Reference No : **VN/UG/017/2024**
Duty Station : **Arua, Uganda**
Classification : **General Service (G4) 1 position**
Type of Appointment : **Fixed term, one year with possibility of extension**
Estimated Start Date : **As soon as possible**
Closing Date : **24th June 2024**

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. Movement Operations Units in various IOM Country Offices, coordinated under the Resettlement and Movement Management (RMM) Division in the Department of Mobility Pathways and Inclusion at IOM's Geneva Headquarters, 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 Movement Operations Manager and the direct supervision of Senior Operations Assistant, FS, the Operations Assistant (Field Support), is responsible for the following duties and responsibilities.

Core Functions / Responsibilities:

1. Undertake field support activities in an assigned area or areas, such as at an airport, transit center, third-party facility, camp-based operation or sub-office, or in relation to transportation.
2. Perform airport services, 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. Assist individuals at transit centers 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. Provide assistance at transit centers and third-party facilities for extended periods of up to 12 hours and during overnight periods and weekends, ensuring the needs of individuals are met throughout their stay. Communicate promptly with third-party facility representatives and/or supervisors if issues arise.
 5. Assist in 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. Assist with baggage sorting, tagging and handling and escort individuals on transportation as needed. Ensure individuals with special needs are provided with appropriate services and report any issues to supervisors immediately.
 6. 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.
 7. Provide regular feedback on work being accomplished to the Operations Assistant (Team Leader) and/or supervisors and team members and keep supervisors immediately informed of any issues requiring their attention.
 8. Maintain and ensure the confidentiality and integrity of all relevant paperwork in line with standards of conduct and data protection rules. Alert the Operations Assistant (Team Leader) or management of any non-compliance to SOPs or codes of conduct by IOM staff members or partners.
 9. Perform such other duties as may be assigned.

Required Qualifications and Experience

Education

- High school diploma with four years of relevant work experience, or;
- Bachelor's degree with two years of relevant work experience.

Experience

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

Skills

- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Good knowledge of Word, Excel and the internet is a strong advantage.

Languages

- IOM's official languages are English, French, and Spanish, all staff members are required to be fluent in one of the three languages.
- Desirable: Working knowledge of another official UN language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, and Spanish) is an advantage

Require 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 action 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 hruganda@iom.int no later than **24th June 2024**. Reference Number and Position Title: **VN/UG/017/2024 – Operations Assistant – (Field Support) Arua, Uganda** should be specified in the SUBJECT field.

Required: After sending your application through hruganda@iom.int. **YOU ARE REQUIRED** to fill in the recruitment Questionnaire using the link: [Prescreening form for Operations Assistant FS](#)

Applications from qualified female candidates are especially encouraged.

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

Posting period: From 10th June 2024 to 24th June 2024