# **EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE**



Civilian Planning and Conduct Capability – CPCC Director / Civilian Operations Commander

Brussels,

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### TO ALL REPRESENTATIVES TO PSC

Subject: 2-2016 Call for Contributions for four CRT or other Member State

Experts to support the European Union CSDP Mission in Niger

(EUCAP Sahel Niger)

Reference: Council Decision 2012/392/CFSP of 16 July 2012 on the European Union

CSDP Mission in Niger (EUCAP Sahel Niger)

Council Decision 2016/1172/CFSP of 18 July 2016 on the European Union CSDP in Niger (EUCAP Sahel Niger) Amending and Extending the Mission

Mandate until 15 July 2018

Dear Ambassador.

## 1. Background

The Council Decision 2012/392/CFSP of 16 July 2012 established a European Union CSDP Mission in Niger (EUCAP Sahel Niger) with a mandate to support the capacity building of the Nigerien security actors to fight terrorism and organised crime which was extended by the Council Decision 2016/1172/CFSP of 18 July 2016.

The Mission's Procurement Unit needs two extra Procurement Officers to help with completing the Agadez Field Office and to work on projects which are currently on stand-by. A Logistics Officer is also needed to help the two international experts cope with the daily tasks and with the inventory as well as a CIS Officer to provide support to the Mission.

I kindly invite EU Member States to put forward qualified candidates for the positions described in the Annex 1.

## 2. Methodology

- a) EU Member States are requested to examine the personal profiles and job descriptions to ensure that:
  - Proposed candidates meet the listed criteria described in the essential requirements and in the job descriptions (Annex 1).
  - Each candidate completes the standard job application form in English or in French (Annex 2). Applications will be considered only when using this form.
- b) Proposed candidates should satisfy in full the criteria set out in the job description. The main criteria for suitability for the post are professional and specific skills and experience.
- c) I would appreciate it if EU Member States would submit offers of personnel at their earliest convenience, but not later than close of business on Friday 11 November 2016 at 17:00 hours (Brussels time) to the following email address:

## cpcc.crt@eeas.europa.eu

- d) The Civilian Planning and Conduct Capability (CPCC) will be responsible for notifying EU Member States of the outcome of the selection process. Communication of the selection results is expected to take place in November 2016.
- e) Selected personnel should be ready for deployment to Niger as soon as possible.
- f) The duration of the deployment should be of 3 months with the possibility of extension.

### 3. General Information

- a) Only personnel nominations received through official channels from EU Member States will be considered. EU Member States will bear all personnel-related costs for seconded personnel, including salaries, medical coverage, travel expenses to and from the Mission area (including home leave where applicable), accommodation and allowances other than those paid according to the Council documents 7291/09 (10 March 2009) and 9084/13 (30 April 2013). High risk insurance, applicable to all International staff members, will also be covered by the Mission budget.
- b) The EU strives for improved gender balance in CSDP operations in compliance with UNSCR 1325. EU Member States are encouraged to take this into account when offering contributions.
- c) The selected candidates will have to be in possession of the necessary level of Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) as specified in the job description (EU CONFIDENTIAL),

when deployed. The seconded personnel should bring the original certificate upon deployment.

d) The holiday arrangements are set at a national level and subject to change. The national arrangements as applied for regular secondments to CSDP Missions could be used as an indication for a proper holiday arrangement for CRT/EU Member State experts as well. Due to the nature of the short term assignment, it would be preferable that accrued holidays be taken after the deployment has ended.

As a rule there is no leave included during CRT deployments. Any leave will be considered as interruption of service, there will be no allowances of any kind paid by the mission during any leave period and all travel costs related to the leave must be borne by the sending Member State or by the expert.

e) Any further information required relating to the selection and deployment may be obtained from CPCC by contacting:

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Yours sincerely,

Kenneth DEANE

### **Enclosures:**

- Requirements and Job Descriptions (Annex 1)
- Standard Application Form (Annex 2)

cc: CivCom Delegates

**CRT National Points of Contact**