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The United Nations Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA), in partnership with the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS), is seeking candidates for the

2021 Standby Team of Senior Mediation Advisers (Application deadline: Wednesday 22 July 2020 at 18:00 EDT / 24:00 CEST)

in the following areas of specialization:

- Design and conduct of mediation, facilitation and dialogue;
- Security arrangements (including ceasefires, DDR & SSR);
- Gender and inclusion;
- Constitution-making;
- Power-sharing;
- Natural resources.

DPPA, through its Policy and Mediation Division (PMD), maintains a [Mediation Support Unit \(MSU\)](#) which provides support to senior UN envoys and partners engaged in mediation and peace-making efforts, and serves as a repository for expertise and knowledge in this field. The [Standby Team of Senior Mediation Advisers \(SBT\)](#), managed by MSU, consists of full-time experienced mediation practitioners who can provide remote assistance or deploy on very short notice to support the good offices, preventive diplomacy and mediation efforts of senior envoys and representatives of the UN and its partners.

DPPA's goal is to establish a team of advisers with significant mediation experience and a wide range of regional knowledge, technical skills and language abilities. All applicants are expected to have some mediation process design skills, and are required to demonstrate competence in mainstreaming gender into their work. Women are particularly encouraged to apply. Speakers of Arabic and/or French are also strongly encouraged to apply.

Interviews with short-listed candidates will take place in early October 2020. The exact composition of the team will be defined depending on the requirements of the United Nations at the time of recruitment.

Expert positions on the Standby Team of Senior Mediation Advisers are full-time appointments; experts are home-based and deploy to the field on short notice, as needed. Members of the 2021 Standby Team are expected to take up their functions in January 2021.

Applicants should take note that positions on the Standby Team are consultancies, not UN staff positions.

**All candidates for the 2021 Standby Team of Senior Mediation Advisers
must submit an application via the recruitment portal of UNOPS.**

The application page, and the Terms of Reference for the positions, can be found at:

<https://jobs.unops.org/pages/viewvacancy/VADetails.aspx?id=19821#7>

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