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 $\label{lem:vacancy: Legal Intern, NANHRI Regional, International Mechanisms and SDGs$

Programme

Location: Nairobi, Kenya

Reports to: Programme Officer, Regional, International Mechanisms & SDGs Programme

Duration of Initial Contract: 6 months

Language: English (French is an added advantage) Estimated Starting Date: As soon as possible

Background

The Network of African National Human Rights Institutions (NANHRI) is a regional umbrella organisation for 47 National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) across Africa. NANHRI is dedicated to supporting and strengthening NHRIs in their mandates of promoting, protecting, and monitoring human rights in line with the Paris Principles. Towards this, NANHRI provides support to African NHRIs through national, regional and international cooperation, with the goal of enhancing the effective delivery of their mandate of human rights promotion, protection, monitoring and advocacy.

NANHRI is now looking for two legal interns to support its work around litigation before international human rights mechanisms which focuses on strengthening the legal capacity of NHRIs and advancing human rights through strategic litigation by NANHRI.

Purpose of the Internship

This internship offers an excellent opportunity for law students or recent law graduates to gain hands-on experience in international human rights litigation and legal research. Interns will support NANHRI's litigation work by contributing to legal research, briefs, and other activities of the regional, international mechanisms & SDGs programme. The internship will provide a chance to work directly with experienced human rights legal practitioners and scholars and benefit from the diverse activities and thematic range of the regional and international mechanisms programme.

Main Tasks and Duties

Under the supervision of the Regional, International Mechanisms & SDGs Programme Officer, the Legal Intern will:

- Assist in preparing background documents for legal briefs and other documents submitted to human rights bodies.
- Conduct in-depth legal research on relevant topics for the regional and international mechanisms programme.
- Provide administrative, logistics, and coordination support for activities of the regional and international mechanisms programme.



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• Engage with academic institutions and other researchers involved in the work of the Regional, International Mechanisms & SDGs Programme.

Qualifications and Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following qualifications:

• Fresh law graduate or final-year undergraduate law student in a reputable Faculty of Law at a University based in Nairobi.

Core Competencies

- Strong understanding of international and comparative human rights mechanisms and human rights law (**Compulsory**).
- Demonstrable strong legal research and exceptional writing skills.
- Proficiency in written and spoken English (French is an added advantage).
- Knowledge of the role and functioning of NHRIs.
- Proficient computer skills (MS Word, Excel, and PowerPoint) and familiarity with Internet applications.
- Ability to work effectively in a multicultural environment.
- Conscientious and efficient in meeting commitments, observing deadlines and achieving results.
- Ability to work collaboratively with external researchers
- Good coordination skills
- Good interpersonal and communication skills.

NANHRI Terms & Conditions for Internship

- The Intern will receive a monthly stipend during the internship.
- The intern must provide proof of health insurance coverage for the duration of the internship.

HOW TO APPLY:

If you possess the above qualifications and other requirements for the position, please send your application **STRICTLY BY EMAIL** to <u>esiekisa@nanhri.org</u> cc <u>fadegalu@nanhri.org</u> clearly indicating the position on the subject together with a cover letter, a detailed C.V, and **one writing sample** by close of business on 15 November 2024 to:

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