

Junior Professionals in Delegation (JPD)

(High Level Traineeship Programme in the Delegations of the European Union)

Training assignments for EEAS JPD

Overall purpose: Under the direct supervision and responsibility of the Head of Delegation (HoD) and/or the Head of the political section (or political, press and information section), the JPD will contribute to the analysis, monitoring and reporting on the overall situation and development in the host country, including on regional level and in political relations with the EU and Member States. The JPD, where required, assists the Head of Section in the activities of press and information, including the organisation of cultural events, and for coordinating the sub-section's activities.

Training activities under the control of the JPD' designated supervisor

- Political analysis and reporting: the JPD contributes to the overall monitoring & reporting activities of the Delegation; he/she contributes to prepare briefings and analysis, visits of HQ colleagues, EU Institutions or VIPs in the following indicative domains (that will be further defined, limited or extended by the Head of Delegation and the Head of Section):

- Country's overall situation: national politics and local events, political, socioeconomic country's forecasts, reform processes, management of the transition, international, regional or bilateral issues in all relevant sectors;
- CFSP issues: country's foreign policy, relations with the EU and the Member States, with other main international, regional or bilateral partners, stances in regional integration initiatives; conflict prevention, mediation, reconciliation, crisis management, disarmament, rehabilitation, etc.
- Governance, rule of law & democracy: electoral processes, human rights, and civil society, access to information, gender issues; institutional and legal developments; Justice, liberties & security issues such as fraud and corruption, border control / management, asylum and migration and related issues, such as visa, consular cooperation issues, etc.

- Networking: the JPD assists the Head of Delegation and/or his/her Head of Section to develop contacts with national authorities, line Ministries and Institutions, politicians and other local and national stake holders, including civil society organisations, with representatives of the EU Member States' diplomatic missions, other main partners and regional organisations, with the EU and local business chambers and associations, etc.

- Information and communication: the JPD assists the Head of Delegation and/or his/her Head of Section to explain, specify, defend the EU positions & policies to the domestic audience, particularly politicians, press, business, civil society organisations and academics;

- Organisation of cultural events: the JPD assists the Head of Delegation and/or his/her Head of Section in the organisation of cultural events arranged by the Delegation.