

Senior Legal Specialist ICAR

Job title:	Senior Legal Specialist ICAR
Place of work	Basel, Switzerland, with substantial international travel
Employment rate:	100%
Start date:	As soon as possible
Contract type:	Open-ended
Reporting:	Director ICAR

Basel Institute on Governance

The Basel Institute on Governance is an international and independent not-for-profit organisation working worldwide with the public and private sector to counter corruption and other financial crimes and to improve the quality of governance. Registered as a Swiss foundation with headquarters in Basel, the Institute operates globally and maintains field operations in Africa, Eastern Europe and Latin America. The Basel Institute is an Associated Institute of the University of Basel.

Within the Basel Institute, the International Centre for Asset Recovery (ICAR) is a specialist centre dedicated to supporting affected countries in recovering stolen assets through strategic case advice, technical assistance and capacity building, and by contributing to the international policy dialogue on standard setting in asset recovery. ICAR works in approximately 25 countries around the world each year, including with permanent in-country presence of experts and multifaceted multi-year programs in six countries.

Profile

We are looking for an experienced lawyer and asset recovery professional with substantial experience in prosecuting international corruption and money laundering cases with a view to confiscating proceeds of crime, in overseeing related investigations, and with hands-on experience in international judicial cooperation and other forms of international cooperation in criminal matters. In-depth understanding of alternative (non-criminal) asset recovery routes is critical. The post holder will be working across a range of jurisdictions supporting their domestic investigations and prosecution strategies, supporting efforts to obtain intelligence and evidence from other concerned jurisdictions, and eventually recover stolen assets from abroad. This work is done through case-based advice as well as by supporting legal and institutional reform processes related to the recovery of stolen assets.

Responsibilities

- Provide legal advice and subject matter oversight over case related advisory services and technical assistance provided by embedded and non-embedded experts in partner countries
- Directly provide legal advice on prosecution strategies and their related investigations as well as international cooperation to anti-corruption agencies, law enforcement and prosecuting bodies in partner countries, in particular in those countries where no ICAR expert(s) is/are stationed
- Support Director ICAR and Head of Programs ICAR in the design of new projects/funding applications

- Participate in / contribute to (international) expert forums and ICAR's international policy work where appropriate

Requirements

- Advanced university degree in (criminal) law
- 10+ years of experience in practicing criminal law in a common or civil law jurisdiction in a public prosecution service or similar agency, with a proven specialization and expertise in economic and financial crimes and the confiscation of stolen assets, including cases of international nature and responsibility of investigative oversight
- Proven track record in international cooperation in criminal matters with a variety of jurisdictions
- Experience in advising either a domestic team of prosecutors/lawyers and/or similar teams in foreign jurisdictions in the application of criminal law in the context of financial and economic crimes
- In-depth knowledge of alternative (non-criminal) avenues for asset recovery
- Perfect fluency in English in writing and speaking is a must; one or more other languages (especially Spanish, Russian, Ukrainian or French) a definite advantage

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Please send your written application, including a cover letter and a complete CV as well as contact details of three professional references, by email by **20 April 2017** to:

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