

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT – ASYLUM LAWYER, KOS

Position Lawyer Θέση δικηγόρος

Location Kos Τοποθεσία Κως

Duration at least 6 months Διάρκεια τουλάχιστον 6 μήνες Start As soon as possible Αρχή το συντομότερο δυνατό

Deadline for application: Ongoing, as soon as possible

<u>Equal Rights Beyond Borders</u> is a non-profit organization committed to strengthening the rights of asylum seekers at Europe's external and internal borders. We focus on family reunification, the rights of unaccompanied minor refugees, and cases of illegal detention or return within Europe or to Turkey. We offer legal advice and legal representation for asylum seekers in EU Hotspots in Greece as well as on the Greek mainland and enforce their rights through <u>strategic litigation</u> in Germany and Greece. All offices work in close cooperation with partners in Greece, Germany and at EU level.

In January 2021, we started operating an office on Kos. For that office, we are looking for an experienced and motivated Greek lawyer.

On Kos, our legal aid services will focus on counselling in the first instance procedure, on appeals against unlawful rejections, on illegal detention of asylum seekers and on family reunions. This includes informing asylum seekers about the procedure and the EU Turkey Deal, representing applicants in the asylum procedure and taking legal action against unlawful rejections, detention and deportations to Turkey.

The team will consist of one international legal coordinator, one Greek lawyer, one to two legal trainees and two to three interpreters.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

- casework appeals, annulments and objections against detention cases
- casework counselling and representation in the first instance procedure
- court procedures Greek domestic courts and European Court of Human Rights
- representation represent Equal Rights Beyond Borders Kos towards authorities & partners
- casework family reunification under the Dublin III Regulation

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

- Law degree, registered with a bar association in Greece
- practical experience in the field of migration and asylum & administrative law
- experience working with vulnerable groups
- sound knowledge of EU and international asylum law
- sound knowledge of the refugee context in Greece and on EU level
- ability to adapt to needs and to think creatively
- ability to self-start in a fast-paced and high-pressure work environment
- high resilience and flexibility
- fluent in English

PREFERABLY

- experience as lawyer in Greece in the field of migration and asylum
- experience on cases of administrative detention
- experience with litigation on asylum and migration matters
- experience in working abroad
- experience in working with interns
- experience in producing briefings and reports for advocacy purposes
- additional language skills (preferable: **French**, Arabic, Farsi, Pashtu or Dari)
- experience with family reunification under the Dublin III Regulation

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Please send us a CV and explain your motivation to work with us by filling in the form here.