ECONOMIST
Grade A2/A3
Competition Division,
Directorate for Financial, Fiscal and Enterprise Affairs

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The OECD is an international organisation based in Paris with some 2000 staff. We are looking for an experienced economist specialised in competition and regulatory matters.

S/he will be responsible for drafting analytical reports on topics related to competition and regulatory policy for meetings of the Competition Committee, supervising the organisation of those meetings and editing and supervising the production of related publications. S/he will also, from time to time, organise events and activities relating to competition and regulatory policy in Member and non-member countries. The person will work under the supervision of the Head of the Competition Division in the Directorate for Financial, Fiscal and Enterprise Affairs.

The job...

1. Research and write analytical and descriptive reports on issues relating to competition policy and regulatory policy, and supervise the work of outside consultants on such projects. Carry out other related duties as assigned.

2. Review contributions from Competition Committee members and consultants. Supervise reports and studies and revise them to ensure their analytical and editorial quality.

3. Organise and participate in regular meetings of the Committee and ad hoc events, dealing directly with senior officials in national capitals. Represent the OECD Secretariat at international conferences on competition policy or regulatory policy. Make presentations on complex substantive matters to senior officials at such meetings.

4. Supervise the preparation and publication of documents, reports, journal articles and Policy Briefs by the Committee, ensuring both timeliness and a high level of analytical and editorial quality.

5. Support the development of sound competition and regulatory policy in non-OECD countries. Organise and participate in meetings on competition and regulatory policy matters for government officials in non-OECD countries, including preparing background notes and other technical documents.

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6. Review and comment on substantive reports concerning competition and regulatory policy prepared for other OECD committees. Participate in meetings of other committees. Maintain effective working relationships with other parts of the Organisation directly involved in issues related to competition and regulatory policy.

7. Contribute to the broader work of the Competition Division through comments on and assistance in the preparation of substantive reports. Assist in the organisation of events. Maintain effective working relationships with other members of the Division.

8. Supervise the work outside consultants. Recruit, train and supervise support staff and trainees to assist in the performance of these duties.

The person we are looking for should have...

1. An advanced university degree in economics, preferably with a specialisation in industrial economics or law and economics.

2. At least three years’ experience in competition policy and/or regulatory policy in one or more regulated industries, preferably acquired in a national or international administration responsible for the enforcement of competition laws and policies.

3. Ability to write clearly and quickly and to deal with highly technical subjects in a manner which makes them accessible to senior government officials.

4. Organisational skills, including ability to plan, organise and present a conference or seminar involving officials from different countries and backgrounds. Ability to work efficiently under pressure with the capacity to prioritise tasks according often to tight deadlines.

5. Knowledge of the issues that arise in the promotion of competition in one or more public utility industries and how those issues are addressed using competition law or sector-specific laws.

6. Ability to communicate effectively and to present documents and proposals clearly, concisely and convincingly at meetings with senior competition officials.

7. Ability to establish and maintain good working relationships with senior officials at national and international level. Ability to work in a multicultural team and to adapt smoothly to changing working methods and technologies.

8. Excellent knowledge of one of the official languages of the Organisation (English and French), including an ability to draft well in that language; good knowledge of the other.

N.B. The appointment may initially be made at the level immediately below if the qualifications and professional experience of the selected applicant correspond to that level; in this case, the duties and responsibilities assigned to the post will be adjusted accordingly.

We are an equal opportunity employer and encourage applications from female candidates.

Applications (in English or French) from nationals of OECD Member countries should quote reference EXD/HRM/VAC(2002)030 and be sent via our on-line application form on www.oecd.org (click on recruitment) by 13th June 2002.

Only candidates selected for interview will be contacted.

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