



## VACANCY

### PROTECTION OFFICER NORTH EAST SYRIA

CLOSING DATE: 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018

**CONTEXT PRESENTATION:** Un ponte per... (UPP) is a voluntary association founded in 1991, immediately after the bombing of Iraq, which promotes solidarity initiatives for Iraqis who suffered during the war. Un ponte per... works in Iraq, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Serbia and Kosovo alongside civil society organisations. In Italy, it promotes peace and disarmament, defends the common goods, and welcomes refugees and migrants. The aim of UPP is the prevention of new conflicts, particularly in the Middle East. This is achieved through advocacy campaigns, programs which educate and encourage cultural exchange, collaborative projects and peaceful civil interventions.

For further information please refer to our website: [www.unponteper.it/en/](http://www.unponteper.it/en/)

#### BACKGROUND

Entering year 8 of the Syria crisis, conflict continues to expose civilians to acute humanitarian needs in health, WASH, Shelter, NFI and protection. In North East Syria (NES) widespread displacement, destruction of basic services and increased exposure to protection risks is on-going. In response, UPP and other partners have established a two-year program with the consortium program 'Linking Emergency Assistance and response in Northeast Syria' (LEARN).

UPP as a health partner will contribute to LEARN program's integrated and harmonized multi-sectoral package of essential services for vulnerable conflict-affected populations through Health, Shelter, WASH and protection interventions. The program also includes the establishment of a common Rapid Response Mechanism for addressing future humanitarian needs. The planned outcome is to improve the health status of the conflict-affected population with a view of building the capacity of local actors and the resilience of communities in NES.

Un Ponte Per... is looking for an M&E Officer to monitor, evaluate and support the equitable and safe access to essential basic services including health for the most vulnerable populations affected by conflict and displacement in North East Syria (NES).

#### POSITION:

- **NES-PROT** - Protection Officer - North East Syria and Iraq - 12 months, from October - main project activities Health

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## **ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Un Ponte Per... is looking for a Protection Officer that will be responsible of the following major tasks:

- Stay abreast of political, social, economic and cultural developments in the area and in the Region that have an impact on the protection environment.
- Coordinate the design, implementation and evaluation of protection-related programming with partners. Contribute to and facilitate a programme of results-based protection programming through a consultative process with sector and/or cluster partners.
- Ensure that UPP's age, gender and diversity approach to protection is consistently applied through community-based protection methods.
- Oversee and contribute to the consortium integrated protection and gender mainstreaming in health and other sectors;
- Contribute to UPP and consortium data collection, CRM and Feedback mechanisms and ensure Do No Harm and beneficiary accountability throughout the program;
- Build the protection capacity of UPP staff, partners and stakeholders to assume their responsibilities vis-à-vis all persons of concern through protection training, mainstreaming and related activities. Provide legal advice and guidance on protection issues to persons of concern; liaise with competent authorities to ensure the issuance of civil documentation.
- Oversee and manage individual protection cases, including SGBV and child protection. Monitor cases of protection incidents through working relations with program staff, partners and other stakeholders.
- Promote and implement effective measures to identify, prevent and reduce protection issues.
- Develop and implement country level protection plans in areas such as child protection, SGBV and education, as part of the protection strategy.

## **ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS**

- University degree in Law, International Law, Political Sciences, Social Work or related field.
- 3 years relevant professional experience
- Proven capacities to plan activities successfully targeting results and objectives
- Proven communication and behavioral skills to work directly with affected communities
- Working experience with local counterparts (CSOs, local NGOs, and others)
- Experience of planning, organizing and prioritizing work, working under pressure and matching deadlines
- Experience of training development
- Team working skills
- Excellent computer literacy skills
- Proactive attitude
- Excellent oral and written English
- Ability to travel in the Middle East with the same ability of a Western European passport owner. Ability to travel in Europe.

## **DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS:**

- Experience in case management, referral and/or general protection;
- Experience in training development.
- Familiarity with Emergency related projects and tools.
- Knowledge of the Middle East context and relevant local actors. Knowledge of Arabic, Kurmanji and/or Italian

**HOW TO APPLY:** Interested candidates are invited to submit a detailed CV, a brief cover letter to address the requirements above and contact information for two professional references to: [vacancy@unponteper.it](mailto:vacancy@unponteper.it) . Please reference "Vacancy Code(s) - Name Surname" in the subject line of your email application. . In case you are interested also in other positions published in the same period, please apply with just one email and indicate your preferred order. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Please name the files attached to your application as follow: *surname\_name\_CV, surname\_name\_CL*, etc.

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