PSI is recruiting an Africa Local and Regional Government (LRG) Coordinator

Public Services International is a Global Union Federation of more than 700 trade unions representing 30 million workers in 154 countries. We bring their voices to the UN, ILO, WHO and other regional and global organisations. We defend trade union and workers’ rights and fight for universal access to quality public services.

PSI is increasing its capacity to promote quality public services in the African and Arab Countries region. The global trade union federation recently agreed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the African local and regional government peak body, UCLG Africa. This MoU will build upon PSI and UCLG Africa’s shared goals of:

- enabling equitable access to quality local public services for all
- making cities, communities, and territories inclusive and fair
- realizing sustainable, just local socio-economic development
- building LRG staff’s capacity and skills, while ensuring their decent working conditions.

The Africa Local and Regional Government (LRG) Coordinator will implement the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) recently signed with United Cities and Local Governments of Africa (UCLG Africa) agreed to strengthen cooperation, promote social dialogue and advocate for quality public services.

The LRG Coordinator will work with PSI staff and affiliates to set a trade union strategy for implementing the MoU and then develop joint actions with UCLG Africa.

The ideal candidate will have a demonstrated understanding of social dialogue and local and regional government, experience in and knowledge of the African trade union movement or civil society advocacy in Africa. The candidate will have proven skills in mapping a complex set of stakeholders in multiple countries, building relationships across borders, and designing and implementing capacity building, joint advocacy and collaboration between social partners.

The candidate should be able to work well in a team, build networks, thrive on supporting others and have international experience or the ability to work in multicultural environments. English is essential and Arabic and/or French are highly desirable.

The position is for 12 months, with renewal subject to funding. The successful candidate can be based in a major African city of their choosing, subject to final agreement in the job offer.

Interested candidates are invited to:

- Produce a cover letter, as outlined in the job description (Annex I, in English only) of no more than 1,000 words in English;
- Name two referees. We will not contact any of your references, unless you are the preferred candidate for the job;
- Attach a Curriculum Vitae; and
- Send their application to af-recruitment@world-psi.org, subject “AF LRG Coordinator” before 16 February 2022.
NB: Incomplete applications will not be taken into consideration.

We encourage candidates to apply regardless of their gender, age, religion and sexual orientation. PSI welcomes in particular applications from PSI affiliates and staff, but may consider any other candidate on their merit.

Given the short term nature of the position, we will also consider secondments from affiliates, as well as part time applications or job sharing.