

Call for applications | CULTURAL MEDIATOR (Part-time)

JRS Malta is seeking to recruit a CULTURAL MEDIATOR on a one-year definite term, part-time contract to support JRS in the implementation of its projects and services.

The primary role of the cultural mediator is to work closely with the outreach team to provide cultural interpretation support during walkabouts, help to establish trusting relationships and recognize and identify current and emerging realities and trends within the community.

JRS conducts community outreach as part of its work on reconciliation, which aims to build positive relationships between people living in the communities of Marsa and Hamrun. It is also important for our advocacy work, as it allows us to better understand the living situation of migrants and identify people who would be willing to work with us on different issues.

This document outlines the qualifications required for the post as well as the job description.

Terms and conditions

The selected candidate would be expected to work between 8 and 20 hours per month following a flexible schedule. The hours may include morning sessions and/or evening sessions but would need to be worked at times to be established by agreement with the organization. The candidate must be able to work flexible hours, including weekends.

Qualifications

Applicants must:

- Have previous experience working with people and communities of diverse backgrounds, immigrants and/or asylum seekers – other significant and relevant experience may also be considered
- Be able to speak either Maltese or English fluently, and at least one other language from the following: Arabic, Somali, French
- Have good communications skills, and the ability to work in a team
- Be willing to work with and for people from diverse cultures

The following will be considered an asset:

- A Diploma in Education for Cultural Mediation or an equivalent/comparable qualification
- A working knowledge of immigration rules, the reception and asylum procedure and social support systems in Malta (referrals, etc.)
- Knowledge of other relevant languages, such as Italian, and French
- A driving license and own transport

Job description

The selected candidate will be expected to work as part of a multi-disciplinary team.

The Cultural Mediator will:

- Attend training sessions as necessary
- Conduct cultural interpretation during outreach within the communities (e.g in Marsa and Hamrun), with other members of the JRS Malta team
- Identify asylum seekers and migrants who are in a particularly vulnerable situation, or who are otherwise in need of services and/or support and refer them to their JRS line manager
- Communicate with service users or people in the community, either in person or via phone, facilitating interaction between staff and the people in the community as required

Application and selection process

Applicants are to submit a letter of application, a police conduct certificate and detailed Curriculum Vitae together with the names and contact details of two referees by not later than **Monday, 12 February 2024**, either by email or by post to:

JRS Malta, 1 Pjazza E Tonna, Floriana FRN 1481 or info@jrsmalta.org

Shortlisted candidates will be required to attend an interview and may be asked to undertake one or more task/s, which could include accompanying staff on outreach visits, or interpreting during a meeting in to better understand the nature of the work involved before a final decision is taken.

More information about JRS and its projects is available at **www.jrsmalta.org**