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# **COMMITTEE OF LEGAL ADVISERS ON PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW (CAHDI)**

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## **Revised questionnaire on the organisation and functions of the Office of the Legal Adviser of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

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**REVISED QUESTIONNAIRE ON THE ORGANISATION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICE OF  
THE LEGAL ADVISER OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**

1. What is the title, rank and position of the Legal Adviser?
2. What are the principal functions of the OLA?
3. Please give a brief description of staff employed by the OLA, including overseas staff. What is the distribution of posts between men and women within the OLA and what category of staff do they respectively belong to?
4. Are there any specific recruitment and promotion policies, provisions and/or quotas to ensure non-discrimination and equal opportunities, e.g. for the underrepresented sex, for persons with disabilities or for persons belonging to ethnic or religious minorities or of immigrant origin?
5. Is OLA staff trained on gender equality issues and are these issues mainstreamed into the OLA's work?
6. Briefly describe the organisation and structure of the OLA.
7. What is the OLA's place within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs?
8. What are the main contacts of the OLA within Government?
9. Please describe the relations of the OLA with lawyers in private practice, academics and legal institutions.
10. Please provide a brief bibliography on the OLA, if available.