

EXCELLENT CAREER OPPORTUNITY - LEGAL MANAGER, REGULATORY DEVELOPMENT AND BOARD AFFAIRS

ZEP-RE (PTA Reinsurance Company) is a specialized institution of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), established to serve and develop the insurance and reinsurance industry within the region. We are seeking a qualified, knowledgeable, and results-oriented professional for the position of Legal Manager, Regulatory Development, and Board Affairs.

Job Purpose

The Legal Manager, Regulatory Development, and Board Affairs will work closely with the Company Secretary/Head of Legal & Regulatory Affairs to support regulatory and development aspects across the company's various markets, as well as governance and investor relations.

Job Grade

P1

Responsibilities & Accountabilities

1. Regulatory affairs:

i. Regulatory developments Monitoring:

- a. Maintain current knowledge of relevant laws of ZEP-RE member states
- b. Track regulatory developments in the markets in which the company carries out business and advising the relevant departments in a timeous manner, on implications and necessary actions, if any

ii. Regulatory engagement:

- a. Serve as key liaison with Regulatory offices in the markets in which the company operates/seeking to expand to, and as necessary support the drafting and review of regulations, that may impact the business and operations of the company, from a strategic perspective.
- b. Plan and arrange for periodic regulatory engagements on key strategic & market development aspects, and the Annual Regulators forum including agenda, speakers, stakeholder participation and ensure execution of resolutions of the prior forum.

2. Governance:

i. ESG: Work with Director Partnerships, to integrate ESG considerations into legal and governance practices

ii. Board Affairs:

- a. Provide support to the development of ZEP-RE 's governance framework in line with best practice, and
- b. Support the Company Secretary (CS) on board training & development requirements and related administration affairs
- iii. **Legal & Governance Risk Reporting:** Reporting on the legal & governance risks, as required by the Chief Risk Officer and supporting internal training requirements as advised from time to time.

iv. Legal Function Support:

- a. Support the legal function in the company subsidiaries and projects as assigned from time to time.
- b. Advise the procurement department on related policy/legal matters.

3. Investor relations:

- i. Maintain engagements with ZEP-RE Member States and shareholders including timely address of requests.
- ii. Provide legal and technical advice and support to ensure adherence to Country Host Agreements (including sovereign immunities issues).
- iii. Assist current and prospective Member States in drafting, negotiating and concluding various agreements with ZEP-RE
- 4. Supporting the Company Secretary (CS) in the implementation of CSR initiatives, as directed by the Board and Management

5. Perform such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the supervisor.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree in Law (LLB) is required. A Master's degree in Law (LLM) or related field is an added advantage.
- Admission to the Bar (Licensed to practice law in the relevant jurisdiction).
- Minimum of 7-9 years of experience in legal practice, with at least 5 years in a managerial role preferably within a multilateral, corporate or commercial law environment.
- · Excellent knowledge of legal principles and practices, as well as best practices in corporate governance
- · Experience in commercial litigation and international arbitration within a reputable law firm is highly desirable

Competencies and Attributes

- Demonstrates strong negotiation skills, with a proven ability to achieve favorable outcomes in complex legal matters.
- Possesses exceptional analytical skills and a strong capacity for conducting thorough legal research, ensuring well-informed and strategic decision-making.
- Capable of thriving in high-pressure environments, consistently meeting urgent deadlines without compromising on quality.
- Exhibits excellent judgment and accountability, providing reliable and well-considered legal advice and work products.
- Exceptional interpersonal skills, with fluency in written and spoken English. Multilingual proficiency, particularly in French, is an added advantage.
- A self-driven individual who takes initiative and adapts quickly to changing circumstances, demonstrating flexibility and agility in a dynamic legal environment.
- Comfortable working in a multicultural environment, bringing a respectful and inclusive approach to diverse teams and stakeholders.
- A practicing lawyer in a jurisdiction applying common English law and/or Civil law.

Qualified and interested candidates are invited to submit their updated CV, along with a cover letter highlighting their suitability for the position to recruitment@zep-re.com by **30 September 2024.** Kindly indicate **"Legal Manager, Regulatory Development, and Board Affairs"** in the subject line of your email.

ZEP-RE is an equal opportunity employer and encourages all eligible candidates to apply.