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The appointment, for an initial two-year period at the United Nations L7 level (equivalent to D2), incorporates an attractive salary and benefits package. The appointee should be prepared to take up the post in March 2009.

Applications, containing a comprehensive CV, statement of motivation and interest, and names of three referees, should be sent by 30 June 2008, via post to The Director, UNRISD, Palais des Nations, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland (Ref. Director Vacancy); or via email to hr_director@unrisd.org. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted, by early August 2008.

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