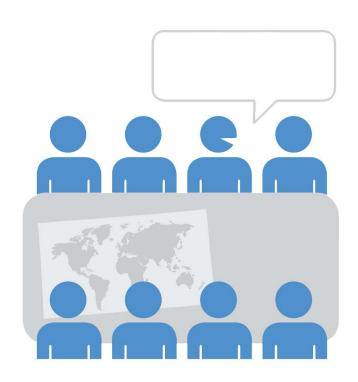
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This "best practices" guide for language learning is aimed at administrators in the training field – Training Officers, Training Assistants, Human Resources Officers, or other staff members in charge of language training administration.

The purpose of this guide is to provide support for implementing and enhancing good quality language programmes in offices that do not have internal language training expertise.

Language Learning Programmes at the United Nations Secretariat are mandated by the GA resolution on Multilingualism (A/RES/61/266) and, as such, must provide "maximum quality and respect for specificities of the six official languages", which are Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.

To reach this goal, administrators in the field are advised to follow the best practices below:

- (1) Organize language training programmes;
- (2) Find quality language course providers in duty stations;
- (3) Ensure that instructors have required qualifications
- (4) Ensure consistent course content and certification;
- (5) Provide resources for teaching and learning the six official languages;
- (6) Offer E-learning language training solutions.

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1. Organizing language training and evaluation

1.1 Organizational scope and budgeting considerations

The purpose of the guidelines is to provide support for implementing and enhancing the quality of language programmes in Secretariat duty stations that do not have established internal language training expertise. In addition, UN Headquarters, Offices Away from Headquarters and Regional Commissions (UNOG, UNON, UNOV, ESCWA, ECLAC, ESCWA, ECA), which already benefit from established language learning programmes may also use this guide as a reference tool.

Language courses in the UN's six official languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) are organized to promote linguistic balance and multilingualism within the Secretariat and to improve the language capabilities of staff as mandated by the General Assembly in its resolutions 2480 B (XXIII), 43/224 D and 50/11. Language courses provide staff the opportunity to learn the official languages of the Organization for use at work.

Whenever possible and when funding is available, the organization of relevant language courses is encouraged. The learning needs of national staff, for example in the mission's working language, should be considered as part of a needs assessment.

In order to make face-to-face language learning programmes available in a mission/duty station, funding for courses must be included in the individual missions' learning/training budgets in accordance with identified needs and priorities. There are no centralized financial resources for provision of face-to-face courses available in missions. These guidelines, however, provide information on how to access on-line resources and elearning programmes, many of which are free of charge.

In some limited circumstances, financial support to a staff member attending external language courses can be provided in accordance with the Administrative Instruction on Upgrading of Substantive and Technical Skills (ST/AI/2010/10).1

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¹ For example, this has included provision of a stipend or granting special leave with full pay for attendance at an intensive language course.

1.2 Organizing classes

To set up language courses, two main organizational possibilities exist: (1) arrange for a training provider to teach courses on UN premises for UN staff only or (2) send staff to courses held outside (in an institution, university or school for instance).

The decision should depend on the:

- number of staff requesting language training (in the same language)
- level of knowledge in the target language (beginner, intermediate or advanced) – for a more precise definition of levels, see chapter (4)
- cost per staff for each option

If there are more than eight staff members at the same proficiency level in the target language, organizing internal courses could be a cost-effective solution.

If there are fewer than eight, organizing internal courses is generally not cost-effective. With the usual attrition, the number of participants will fall below the minimum number needed for the course to continue and another option would have to be found for the remaining participants.

Mixing true beginners with false beginners or intermediate levels in the same class is strongly discouraged.

As for calculating the budget, two options are possible:

- the UN takes full responsibility for the entire cost if the training is done internally
- the UN sponsors only part of the tuition if the training is done externally

When organizing the course internally with a provider or individual teacher, the class format should be defined in terms of:

- schedule
- pace of the learning process (regular and/or intensive courses)
- duration of terms

Refer to Annex 1 ("Comparison of the UN Secretariat Language Programmes") for information on learning formats used. It is recommended that a survey be conducted to identify the needs and preferences of local staff in terms of scheduling, types of courses (intensive courses, e-learning, etc.) UNHQ and UNOG have conducted similar needs analyses. The questionnaire can be found in Annex 2.

1.3 Attendance

Language learning requires regular attendance, which in turn requires that the students plan well and are committed and motivated to learn. The suggested minimum attendance is 75% of the total number of class sessions. In order to ensure a high level of attendance, administrators are encouraged to involve participants from the beginning (at placement tests and information session) and to make them responsible for part of the cost (e.g. mandatory purchase of books by participants, co-payment of the course fees, payment of a no-show or incomplete attendance fee). Other measures such as designing shorter modules with one or two-week breaks in between may be helpful (depending on the local situation in the duty station).

1.4 Assessment of participants' progress

Mandatory testing at the end of every level course/module is necessary. Participants in a language programme organized in levels are required to pass the test of their current level in order to access the following level. It will increase motivation and commitment to the language learning both for teachers and participants.

1.5 Evaluating students' satisfaction

The quality of the language training must also be evaluated, either by the provider responsible for evaluation reports, or by the UN learning manager /administrator at the duty station if the programme is run internally. Feedback forms at the end of each course can help to monitor the quality of the trainer and training. An online commercial platform can be used to host/collect evaluation/feedback questionnaires (e.g. SurveyMonkey).

An example of an online feedback form is available at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Language_DEMO.

2. Language course providers

A language provider should be found once the logistic components of the language programme have been defined/determined, i.e., the number of staff members requesting language training, their approximate proficiency

level, and the preferred class content and format. Below are possible options:

2.1 Option 1: Official institutions

The ideal option for organizing a quality language training programme is through the local branch of one of the following official language learning **institutions**. These language and culture centers are supported by Member States of the Organization and are represented in many UN duty stations.

List of official language learning institutions located in many UN duty stations					
	Language	Institution			
	Arabic	None			
	Chinese	Confucius Institute			
Six UN official	English	The British Council			
languages	French	L'Alliance française			
	Russian	None ²			
	Spanish	Instituto Cervantes			
Local	German (UNOV)	Goethe-Institut			
languages ³ or other	Portuguese (ECLAC)	Instituto Camões/ Centro de Estudos Brasileiros			
official	Swahili (UNON)	To verify locally			
languages	Thai (UNESCAP)	To verify locally			

2.2 Option 2: Universities

If there is no official institution in the area, the second option is to contact local **universities** offering language courses. It is advisable to identify university programmes that offer basic to advanced level courses, official examinations, institutional certificates of achievement, and that have experienced teachers with a background in teaching the language as a second or foreign language.

² In Russia there are official institutions representing Russian language and culture and providing quality language classes but they are not represented abroad. They can nevertheless provide pedagogical support to local schools or instructors: Pushkin State Russian Language Institute (Государственный институт русского языка имени Пушкина): http://www1.pushkin.edu.ru/ Moscow State University Russian Language Center (Центр Русского Языка Московского Государственного Университета): http://www.mgu-russian.com/en/

³ As stipulated in GA resolution 61/444 (paragraph 17 section II), "interaction of the United Nations with the local population in the field is essential and language skills constitute an important element of the selection and training processes". Therefore "a good command of the official language(s) spoken in the country of residence should be taken into account."

2.3 Option 3: Language schools and other providers

If there is no official institution or university offering courses/instruction in the target language, a third option is a language school or another local provider.

In any case it is essential that the instructors selected to teach meet the requirements for UN language teachers (see section 3 below).

2.4 Option 4: Individual contractors

If none of the above options is available at the duty station, the last possibility is to hire a professional language instructor as an individual contractor. This option can be appealing from a cost-benefit perspective when a large number of staff members have requested language training.

2.5 Contractual regulations

Once the provider is selected, applicable procurement regulations should be followed before a contract or official document is signed.

3. Language instructors

3.1 Qualifications

Teachers working in United Nations language programmes must be professional instructors and meet the specific linguistic needs of the Organization. For example, in some cases teachers need to be qualified to (1) prepare staff members for the UN Language Proficiency Examination (LPE); (2) develop teaching and testing materials based on UN working texts and communication situations; and (3) prepare and teach specific courses such as *Report Writing* or *Correspondence Writing for the UN*.

The requirements for language instructors at the UN are as follows (see **Section 4.1** for a detailed description of the system of levels):

Minimum requirements				
Language proficiency	Native speaker in the target language OR official examination certificate at C2 level.			
Language teacher qualifications	Master degree in language teaching, languages, linguistics or related field OR advanced degree in language related field.			
Teaching experience	A minimum of three years (or 2,400 hours) documented teaching experience teaching the language as a second language within the last eight years.			
	Has taught all levels except C2, developed examinations and specialized courses Has taught adults in a professional training setting.			
Complementary skills	Fluency in a working language of the duty station where the courses are to be offered.			
	Word-processing skills			
	Desirable requirements			
Complementary skills	Experience using video, computer and/or multimedia to teach language Experience working in a multicultural environment as a			
	team member Knowledge of other official UN languages			

For a detailed profiling for language teaching professionals, administrators should refer to the EAQUALS grid in Annex 03 (Evaluation & Accreditation of Quality in Language Services⁴, an international association of institutions and organizations involved in language education). As the document

⁴ More information available on www.eaguals.org

explains, the requirements change depending on the local context. Administrators can use the EAQUALS grid to define the minimum standard relevant to their specific situation. For example, if the UN minimum requirements are at the EAQUALS T5 level, in some national contexts, for some languages used infrequently, the minimum standard could be lowered to T4 or T3.

Merely being a native speaker is by no means sufficient qualification for language teaching. It is essential that instructors meet the minimum requirements of education and experience detailed above. This also applies to spouses or local staff who are native speakers, who must meet these requirements to teach classes.

Experience in teaching adults at the workplace is also a very important criterion. Experience in teaching children/young students should not be considered/counted, as it requires different skills.

3.2 Steps to follow when hiring instructors

When hiring an instructor as an individual contractor, the steps below should be followed:

- Issue a job announcement with the minimum qualifications⁵
- Screen Curriculum Vitae (see check list in Annex 04)
- Organize a class demonstration (see instructions and evaluation criteria in Annex 05)
- Conduct an interview (immediately or shortly after the class demonstration)

In the case of contracting with a local institution or school, instructors' CVs must be checked against the requirements specified in 3.1. (see also the checklist in Annex 04). The class demo is not necessary if the providers are official language learning institutions, unless there is any doubt about the experience of the instructors.

⁵ An example of a job announcement for the English section at UNOG can be found online: http://englishcoursessdls.wordpress.com/part-time-teachers/

4. Course content and certification

4.1 Course content

The UN Secretariat Language Programmes are benchmarked against the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR) for Teaching and Learning Languages (see official website http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/cadre1_EN.asp)⁶.

The CEFR is a major development in language teaching and learning. It has contributed to the setting of common standards for establishing goals and measuring achievement; it defines values for consideration in deciding on curricula and approach; and it offers a conceptual framework for teaching, learning and assessment.

This framework provides national education ministries, universities, language training institutes, schools and other organizations interested in multilingualism a common reference for assessing the levels within their existing programmes, and benchmarking them against internationally recognized standards of proficiency, which have been carefully broken down into six proficiency levels.

The framework is based on practical, comprehensible "can do" statements that cover elements of communicative competences for the six levels: A1, A2 (Basic User), B1, B2 (Independent User), C1, C2 (Proficient User). See Table 1 below for a description of the levels.

For example, the United Nations proficiency examination for each of the six official languages includes questions at the B2 and C1 levels.

⁶ Full text in pdf version (free of charge) available online (in English): http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/linguistic/Source/Framework_en.pdf

Table 1. Common Reference Levels: global scale

	C2	Can understand with ease virtually everything heard or read. Can summarise information from different spoken and written sources, reconstructing arguments and accounts in a coherent presentation. Can express him/herself spontaneously, very fluently and precisely, differentiating finer shades of meaning even in more complex situations.
Proficient User	C 1	Can understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognise implicit meaning. Can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously without much obvious searching for expressions. Can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes. Can produce clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing controlled use of organisational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.
Independent	B2	Can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation. Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party. Can produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.
User	B1	Can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc. Can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken. Can produce simple connected text on topics which are familiar or of personal interest. Can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes and ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.
Basic	A2	Can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment). Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters. Can describe in simple terms aspects of his/her background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.
User	A1	Can understand and use familiar everyday expressions and very basic phrases aimed at the satisfaction of needs of a concrete type. Can introduce him/herself and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where he/she lives, people he/she knows and things he/she has. Can interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.

When reviewing a language learning provider, the following factors must be verified:

- The provider's curriculum is benchmarked against the CEFR system of levels. This is essential for staff who are expected to become increasingly mobile. With a certificate of completion of a CEFR level, the student can more easily join a course in another duty station.
- The provider offers solid in-house examinations that include at least one examination for each CEFR level offered in the programme. Examinations must consist of written and oral components, both of which participants must pass in order to qualify for the level certificate.

If courses are organized internally with individual contractors, the instructors will need to be provided with a curriculum defining the objectives and the content of each level of the programme. Administrators should be aware that building a curriculum requires a high level of expertise in pedagogical engineering, as it is essential to adapt the content to the local needs and professional environment. If no local resources are available, UNHQ and UNOG have the internal expertise (staff member teachers) and can provide technical support on this matter.

4.2 Official certification

Internationally recognized examinations exist in each of the official languages. The most established tests are listed in tables 2 and 3.

Some language providers are also test centers. A local language course provider offering one of the examinations below may be a preferred provider.

Table 2. Selected standardized tests for language proficiency assessment

Arabic	ALPT (Arabic Language Proficiency Test) created by the Arabic
	Academy and endorsed by the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and
	Industry
Chinese	New HSK (Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi) managed by the Office of Chinese
	Language. Council International Confucius Institute Headquarters
English	TOEIC (The Test of English for International Communication)
	managed by Educational Testing Service (ETS), an American non-
	profit organization
	IELTS (International English Language Testing System) managed by an
	international partnership of nonprofit organizations - the British
	Council, Cambridge ESOL and IDP Education
French	TEF (Test d'évaluation du français) managed by CCIP (Paris Chamber
	of Commerce and Industry)
	TCF (Test de connaissance du français) managed by CIEP (Centre
	international d'études pédagogiques), a public institution under the
	French Ministry of Education
	DELF – DALF (Diplôme élémentaire/approfondi de langue française)
	managed by CIEP
Russian	TORFL (Test of Russian as a Foreign Language) managed by the
	Russian Ministry of Education and Science, Moscow State University
	Center for International Education
Spanish	DELE (Diplomas de Español como Lengua Extranjera) managed by
	the Insituto Cervantes on behalf of the Spanish Ministry of Education

Table 3: Equivalence of levels among selected standardized examinations

	nmon European English ¹		French ²				Spanish	Chinese	Russian	Arabic			
of Referenc	e for	TOEIC		IELTS	TCF		Г	EF	DELF				
Languag CEFR		List Speak +Read +Writ			Level	Score	Level	Score	DALF	DELE	HSK	TORFL ³	ALPT ⁴
Breakthrough or beginner	A1	120-215	80-150		1	100-199	0+ - 1	0-203	DELF A1	DELE A1	HSK level I	Elementary level	2
Way stage or elementary	A2	225-540	160-230		2	200-299	2	204-360	DELF A2	DELE A2	HSK level II	Basic level	е СЕF
Threshold or intermediate	B1	550-775	240-300	4-5	3	300-399	3	361-540	DELF B1	DELE B1	HSK level III	TORFL-1	ing to th
Vantage or upper intermediate	В2	785-935	310-390	5.5 - 6	4	400-499	4	541-698	DELF B2	DELE B2	HSK level IV	TORFL-2	found link
Effective operational proficiency or advanced	C1	945-990	400	6.5-8	5	500-599	5	699-833	DALF C1	DELE CI	HSK level V	TORFL-3	No information found linking to the CEFR
Mastery or proficiency	C2			8.5 -9	6	600-699	6	834-900	DALF C2	DELE C2	HSK level VI	TORFL-4	ž

5. Resources for the six official languages

Below are links to resources for learning and teaching the six official languages, and a list of staff to contact for further information.

Note that the links and references in the tables below reflect the local contexts of New York and Geneva. These materials were developed or selected based on the results of a local needs analysis and should not be used in other contexts without substantial adaptations.

5.1 Arabic

UN Programmes: Course content (for students) and curriculum (for teachers)	UNHQ: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/Icp/Arabic/courses. html UNOG: http://learnarabicatunog.wordpress.com/
Suggested textbooks	UNHQ & UNOG: Alif- Baa' and Al-Kitaab series Resources related to the textbook: http://www.alkitaabtextbook.com/books/students2.html http://arabicwithoutwalls.ucdavis.edu/aww/courseconte nt.html
Online resources for learners and teachers	For learners: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/Arabic/forstude nts.html http://learnarabicatunog.wordpress.com/_(site is being updated) For teachers: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/Arabic/forteach ers.html
Other resources	Also http://www.arabacademy.com/
In-house course material	In house course material is available in UNOG's Resource Center
Contact (Language coordinators at UNHQ and teachers at UNOG)	UNHQ: Arabic Coordinator, Samia Montasser (montasser@un.org) UNOG: Arabic teacher, Jilan Nada (jnada@unog.ch)

5.2 Chinese

UN Programmes: Course content (for students) and curriculum (for teachers)	UNHQ: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/Icp/Chinese/cours es.html UNOG: http://coursdechinoisonug.wordpress.com/
Suggested textbooks	UNHQ: Road to Success UNOG: programme specific materials developed inhouse (beginner and intermediate cycles) Road to Success (Advanced cycle).
Online resources for learners and teachers	http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/Chinese/resources.html Other resources in Annex 06
In-house course material	LPE preparation: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/Chinese/clpe_prep.html Oral activities available in UNOG's Resource Center
Contact (Language coordinators at UNHQ and teachers at UNOG)	UNHQ : Chinese Head Teacher, Yong Ho (ho@un.org) UNOG : Chinese teacher, Li Bourrit (lbourrit@unog.ch)

5.3 English

UN Programmes: Course content (for students) and curriculum (for teachers)	UNHQ: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/English/regular-englishcourses.html
(ioi redeficity)	UNOG: http://englishcoursessdls.wordpress.com/general- courses/
Suggested textbooks	UNHQ: World Link, World Pass, Northstar 5, World English
	UNOG: Language Leader; Headway; New English File; Premium; Destinations (B1, B2, C1 & C2); Cambridge examination preparation books (Objective Advanced, Objective Proficiency, New Proficiency Gold) mygrammarlab.com
Online resources for learners and teachers	For learners: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/English/resourc es_un.html http://englishcoursessdls.wordpress.com/resources-2/
	For teachers: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/English/resourc esforteachers.html
In-house course material	LPE Preparation https://sites.google.com/site/unlpepreparationgeneva/ http://www.un.org/depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/English/elpe_re sources.html
	Report writing workshops https://sites.google.com/site/unitednationsreportwriting/
Contact (Language coordinators at UNHQ and teachers at UNOG)	UNHQ: Jodi Nooyen (Nooyen@un.org) UNOG: English teachers http://englishcoursessdls.wordpress.com/our-team-2/ (sjordan@unog.ch, cwaites@unog.ch, aobrien@unog.ch)

5.4 French

UN Programmes: Course content (for students) and curriculum (for teachers)	UNHQ: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/French/cours. html UNOG: http://francaisonug.wordpress.com/programme/
Suggested textbooks	UNHQ: Programme-specific materials developed inhouse. UNOG: Alter Ego 1 (A1); Alter Ego 3 (B1); Alter Ego 4 (B2); Ici 2 (A2); Objectif Diplomatie (A1/A2); Objectif Diplomatie 2 (B1/B2); Grammaire progressive du français (débutant, intermédiaire); Exercices de grammaire en contexte (niveau avancé)
Online resources for learners and teachers	For learners: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/French/prat.ht ml http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/French/boite.h tml http://francaisonug.wordpress.com/cdres/ For teachers: http://www.un.org/depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/French/fle.htm l
In-house course material	Préparation à l'EAL: http://www.un.org/depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/French/eal.ht ml
Contact (Language coordinators at UNHQ and teachers at UNOG)	UNHQ: Lidya Sambwa-Kane (sambwa-kane@un.org) UNOG: French teachers: Bénédicte Saouter (bsaouter@unog.ch) Sylviane Jaillet-Bobert (sjailletboberg@unog.ch) Véronique Magnin (vmagnin@unog.ch) Michelle Puygrenier (mpuygrenier@unog.ch) Marie-Josée Astre (mastre@unog.ch)

5.5 Russian

UN Programmes: Course content (for students) and curriculum (for teachers)	UNHQ: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/Russian/objectives.html UNOG: http://sdlsrussian.wordpress.com/
Suggested textbooks	UNHQ: GOLOSA (lev 1-6); In-House Mtrls (lev 7-9) UNOG: Zhili-Byli Vols. 1 & 2 (Once upon a time), Le russe à votre rythme! (grammaire avec les commantaires en français), Poehali – 1 and 2 (Allons-y – 1 and 2), Doroga v Rossiyu 3 (The way to Russia 3), Russkiy Exspress (part 1 & 2)
Online resources for learners and teachers	http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/Icp/Russian/links_utilhtml http://learningrussian.net http://masterrussian.com http://www.practicerussian.com http://www.russianforeveryone.com http://www.russianlessons.net http://www.russian.ucla.edu http://www.study-languages-online.com
Other resources	http://www.gwu.edu/~slavic/golosa/
In-house course material	Not specified
Contact (Language coordinators at UNHQ and teachers at UNOG)	UNHQ: Russian Coordinator, Alla Padalka (padalka@un.org) UNOG: Russian teachers, Natalia Raskalei (nraskalei@unog.ch), Elena Gougkaeva (egougkaeva@unog.ch)

5.6 Spanish

UN Programmes: Course content (for students) and curriculum (for teachers)	UNHQ: http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/Spanish/cursos.html UNOG: http://laventanahispana.wordpress.com/cursos-y-niveles/ (curriculum is being updated)
Suggested textbooks	UNHQ: Piloting right now: <i>Bitácora 1, 2 & 3</i> (Difusión) Still using <i>Gente 2 & 3</i> (Difusión) in some courses.
	UNOG: Levels 1-5. <i>Vía Ráoida (A1-</i> B1) New books being piloted in Fall 2013 Levels 7, 8, 9: in-house materials
	Other recommended books and textbooks: Gramática Básica del estudiante de español (Difusión) Socios 1 & 2 (Difusión) Expertos (Difusión) Aula Internacional 1, 2, 3 & 4 (Difusión) En acción 1, 2, 3 & 4 (Enclave-ELE) Etapas 1, 2, 3 & 4 (Edinumen)
Online resources for learners and teachers	http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/lcp/Spanish/recursosest.html AVETECA: http://cvc.cervantes.es/ensenanza/actividades_ave/default.htm FORMESPA: http://formespa.rediris.es/ Practica español: http://www.practicaespanol.com/ Lecturas paso a paso: http://cvc.cervantes.es/aula/lecturas/default.htm Pasatiempos de Rayuela: http://cvc.cervantes.es/aula/pasatiempos/pasatiempos2/ BBC Languages-Spanish: http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/ Spanish Grammar Exercises: http://www.colby.edu/~bknelson/SLC/index.php
In-house course material	Preparación al LPE en español : http://unslp.org/LPE/ UNOG: In-house material for levels 7,8,9 + Revision Courses and Media.
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6. E-learning language training

To help learners of foreign languages, there are many options via elearning (see definition in footnote⁷). It is possible to study a variety of world languages, and there have been continuous attempts at new solutions, taking into consideration the specific needs of language learners.

Indeed, developing an e-learning system that can successfully teach a foreign language is a challenge. The greatest problem is the lack of face-to-face communication between peers and with the teacher. Students generally fail to receive enough oral practice without regular face-to-face interaction.

Therefore, though e-learning might be used to supplement what is taught in the classroom, it should not replace teacher-led training, and it may not be the most appropriate response to every local situation. However, it should be considered as an option:

- when administrators in the field cannot find or hire qualified teachers;
- when the number of potential students is limited.

E-learning options

This section includes a list of some e-learning options, each with a brief description and an evaluation by language teaching professionals at UNHQ. Some of these products are likely to be more effective than others.

6.1 Contract with an e-learning provider for the UN system: Rosetta Stone

Rosetta Stone is a computer-assisted language learning software. It uses images, text, sound, and video to teach words and grammar by spaced repetition, without translation and grammar explanation. Rosetta Stone calls their approach Dynamic Immersion™.

The software is available in over 30 languages (including the six official languages – for a detailed list of other languages, see footnote 8).

⁷ Education via the Internet, network, or standalone computer. E-learning refers to using electronic applications and processes to learn including Web-based learning, computer-based learning, virtual classrooms and digital collaboration. Content is delivered via the Internet, intranet/extranet, audio or video tape, satellite TV, and CD-ROM. E-learning was first called "Internet-Based training" then "Web-Based Training".

⁸ Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), Dari*, Dutch, English (American), English (British), Filipino (Tagalog), French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Hindi, Indonesian*, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin*, Pashto*, Persian (Farsi), Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Russian, Spanish (Latin America), Spanish (Spain), Swahili*, Swedish, Turkish, Urdu*, Vietnamese (* Not available for Rosetta Stone TOTALe® PRO implementations)

The agreement with the UN covers the following products: Rosetta Stone version 3 (on-line and/or CD Rom) and Rosetta Stone TOTALe with its online tutoring, games and activities, in conjunction with or instead of Version 3.

As of 2014 the agreed prices for a 12-month subscription period are as follow (with all licenses starting and ending on the same date):

Version 3 Course	TOTALE	# of licenses
\$185.00	\$295.00	50-249
\$165.00	\$240.00	250-999
\$125.00	\$190.00	1,000-2,499
\$105.00	\$165.00	2,500+

Administrators willing to get licenses will be in touch with one superadministrator from OHRM. Every office/mission has its own procedure for disseminating licenses.

From a pedagogical and technical point of view, at first glance, Rosetta Stone is an appealing product, with an attractive interface, easy to navigate assignments, state-of-the-art technology, and a straightforward approach to language teaching and learning. However, there are important limitations in the method.

Rosetta Stone claims to teach languages the way children learn their first language (without explanations eliminating the need for "boring memorization" and "the endless tedium of...grammar drills" (http://support.rosettastone.com/en-US/articles/What-is-Dynamic-Immersion/). However, since adults learn differently from children, they may experience frustration with the lack of translation and explanations. Some adult learners (especially in a professional environment) want grammatical explanations; denying them these might be counterproductive. In addition, Rosetta Stone version 3 does not offer tools for tutoring and distance courses. Therefore, advanced speaking and writing skills are extremely difficult to acquire.

That being said, the agreement with Rosetta Stone meets the logistical and technological challenges of certain local situations, and allows for the acquisition of certain language skills where no suitable alternative exists.

Before contracting Rosetta Stones, it is essential to note that other elearning products exist that may be a better fit. Some of them are presented in the next section.

6.2 Recommended language e-learning products for language instruction

6.2.1 Telelangue or World Speaking

Telelangue specializes in distance blended-learning and offers a custommade e-learning programme, supported by an online platform with language learning services that blend e-learning, phone lessons and classroom-based courses.

The language programmes currently include three of the official languages: English, French and Spanish (also available in German, Dutch, Italian and Japanese). Russian and Portuguese are expected to be made available in the near future.

For further information, see the table below and the website http://www.telelangue.com/en/index.html

Type of Products	Target audience	Levels	Technical prerequisites	Price (for individuals)
CyberTeachers Corporate: online platform for business language learning. Accessible from anywhere in the world, anytime. Generates lessons that are customized to the level and needs of each individual. Blended learning: CyberTeachers + Virtual classes Face-to-face classes Individual courses by telephone Synchronous and asynchronous tutoring Instant live coaching	General courses + Specialized courses for 218 job specialties 1,000,000 students in over 15,000 companies worldwide.	All levels (beginner, elementary, intermediate, advanced) – Internal level system (15 levels) No reference to the CEFR	Internet connection No installation required + depends on the product and the service	Depends on the service Unlimited access to the platform: \$ 191 (3 months) \$ 319 (6 months) Course by telephone: \$ 24 /hour 7 day free trial

6.2.2 Speexx

Speexx of Digital Publishing (Adobe) is specialized in web-based language training and online coaching services. It provides global online blended language training services that help to improve the business communication skills of language learners around the world.

The programmes currently include three of the UN official languages: English, French and Spanish (also available in German and Italian).

For further information, see the table below and the website http://www.speexx.com/

Type of Products	Target audience	Levels	Technical prerequisites	Price
Speexx Basic: online courseware for business language self-learning (levels A2-C1). Accessible from anywhere in the world, anytime. Speexx Coach: courseware + asynchronous tutoring (homework assignments + personal feedback + regular reporting to HR + personalized learning path + test and certificate) (levels A1-C1) Speexx Live: courseware + live online communication classes Speexx Phone: courseware + scheduled one-on-one phone sessions (levels A2-C1) Blended Learning: Speexx Class: courseware + teacher-led face-to-face communication classes (for group of employees at a single location)	Business courses 7,000,000 users in over 15,000 corporation s worldwide	A1 to C1 (Benchmar ked against the CEFR) + Business level	Internet connection + depends on the product and the service	Price unavailable on the website. 30 day free trial

6.2.3 Aula Virtual de Español (AVE)

The Aula Virtual de Español (AVE) is an online learning platform created by the Instituto Cervantes to teach Spanish as a foreign language. It is an educational environment that includes instructional materials specifically designed to interact with students. The materials introduce students to linguistic and cultural diversity of Spanish-speaking countries. The AVE may be used for in-class courses, semi-distance learning (complementary to teacher-led face-to-face courses) or distance learning.

Programme managers can establish an agreement with the Instituto Cervantes so the AVE can be complementary to Spanish courses offered internally. To get more information on this subject, contact infoave@cervantes.es.

For further information, see the table below and the website http://www.ave.cvc.cervantes.es/

Type of Products	Target audience	Levels	Technical prerequisites	Price
E-learning platform containing: - audiovisual material (video), - interactive activities, communication tools (forums, chat program, blogs, wikis allowing group dynamics), - automatic tracking system and evaluation tools	General courses Also courses to prepare the DELE exams (Diploma de Español como Lengua Extranjera)	A1 to C1 (benchmarke d against the CEFR)	Internet connection The exact requirements can be consulted in the AVE information portal (http://ave.cerva ntes.es) in the "Learning in the AVE / Technical requirements" section.	Contact a center of the Instituto Cervantes close to your location (or the institution offering these courses close to your location).

6.2.4 Great Wall Chinese

Great Wall Chinese, developed by the Office of Chinese Language Council International, is a **Chinese** teaching and learning system based on multimedia technology. Great Wall Chinese provides a mixed learning system comprised of multimedia courseware and face-to-face tutorials, and also uses a management system to monitor a learner's progress. Individualized learning plans are provided to meet the needs of anyone who wants to learn Chinese, any time, any place and at any level.

Great Wall Chinese is used in more than 330 Confucius Institutes overseas and 17 domestic universities and middle schools in China.

According to the website, it is also available in other languages like **English**, French, German, Russian, Japanese, Korean, Italian and Thai.

For further information, see the table below and the website http://www.greatwallchinese.cn/portal.do

Type of Products	Target audience	Levels	Technical prerequisites	Price
E-learning platform (for learning and teaching) offering 4 types of courses: Integrated course: multimedia courseware (systematic language training in listening, speaking, reading and writing). Oral Course: useful oral Chinese expressions Aural-Oral Course: key words, phrases and sentences in daily Chinese communication Tutorial Course: aims to improve the effectiveness of self-study and to get satisfactory learning results	General courses	Levels 1 to 6. Not benchmark ed against the CEFR	Computer type: Compatible IBM computer. No Mac. Operating system: Microsoft Windows XP Professional or Family and Microsoft Windows 2000 Professional. Three editions are available: - Internet Edition, - Intranet Edition (installed in Institutions' Intranet) and - Personal Edition (CD- Roms + USB key)	online account: \$101 (1 year)

6.2.5 Tell me More Pro

TELL ME MORE® has been used for more than 20 years in language elearning. The method is based on the communicative approach. Rather than the simple memorization of grammatical rules and lists of words, this educational approach encourages interaction and the use of language skills in real situations. It also aims to enable the learner to discover the culture of the country where the studied language is spoken.

The learner is immersed in a training situation based on a real-life context, illustrating scenes from every day and professional life. The lessons with a professional context feature common communication situations faced on a daily basis regardless of the profession. They involve, for example, welcoming clients, drafting documents, scheduling meetings, etc. Programmes designed to enable learners to discover and use the specific vocabulary required in a profession are also available. Examples are introduced to learners in context by using both authentic documents as well as materials that best reflect real-world sources.

Also available are lessons based on news-related videos about the economy, science, and politics.

The language programmes currently include five of the official languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Spanish (Castillan Spanish and Latin American Spanish) (available also for Italian, German, Japanese and Dutch). However for Arabic, only the option "software CD/DVD" exists (no online offer).

For further information, see the table below and the website http://www.tellmemore.com

Type of Products	Target audience	Levels	Technical prerequisites	Price
Option "e-Learning": online platform for language self-learning. Accessible from anywhere in the world, anytime. Other options: e-Tutoring e-Coaching Phone courses also available for English, Spanish French and	Business and everyday life courses 7,000,000 users in over 10,000 organization s worldwide	A1 to C2 (benchm arked against the CEFR)	For the online solution (all languages except Arabic): - Internet connection Cross platform (PC and Mac) - Supports more popular Internet browsers (Internet Explorer, Safari, Chrome, Firefox) Available also on	Price not available on the website (on demand)
German.			CD/DVD	

Main points to take into consideration while organizing language training:

- 1. Better language providers: local branch of **official institutions** or universities
- 2. In case of local provider: check for **quality** (curriculum benchmarked against **CEFR** + examinations + instructors meeting the requirements)
- 3. Check carefully all **instructors' CVs**, organize class demo and interview
- 4. Review all possible **options** to organize classes (in-house or external training, course format, cost)
- 5. Finally, do not hesitate to seek UNHQ's or UNOG's expertise in: assessment of a language training provider, needs analysis, curriculum design, material development, teachers training.

Annex 1. Comparison of the UN Secretariat 2013 Language Programmes

	UN Secretariat Language Programmes					
UNHQ - New York	UNON-Nairobi	ECLAC - Santiago	ESCAP - Bangkok	ESCWA - Beirut	UNOV-Vienna	UNOG - Geneva
Javier Zanon LCP, Head, zanon@un.org	Jean-Luc Wasse, Language Programme Coordinator, Jean- Luc.Wasse@unon.o rg	Karin Orantes, Associate Training Officer, karin.orantes@cepa l.org Paula Saenz, Training Assistant paula.saenz@cepal .org	Katarina Grozdanovic, Associate Human Resources Officer, ODSU, grozdanovic@un.o rg / Woranan Thoophorn, Common Learning Assistant, ODSU, thoophorn@un.org	Souad Azar, Senior HR Assistant, azars@un.org	Ruth Sembajwe, Chief, ruth.sembajwe@uno dc.org/ Wanda Muellner-Plenteda, Training Assistant, wanda.muellner@un odc.org	Jesús Guerrero Buitrago, Chief, jguerrero@unog.ch / Albine Van de Plasse, Training Assistant, avandeplasse@un og.ch / Daniel Powell, Team Assistant, dpowell@unog.ch
20 full time teachers	0 full time teachers	0 full time teachers	0 full time teachers	0 full time teachers	full time teachers N/A	15 full time teachers (14 posts, 1 post filled by 2 people on a 50% basis)
between 25 and 35 SSAs (part-time teachers)	10 SSAs (part-time teachers)	12 SSAs (part-time teachers)	8 SSAs (part-time teachers)	1 SSA (part-time teacher) for Arabic only	11 SSAs (part-time teachers Individual contractors)	19 SSAs (part-time teachers) Individual Contractors)
ST/IC/2013/2 http://www.un.org/ staffdevelopment/I cp One common website in 6 languages + 6 different websites for each programme	Information circular each term	Information circular each term	UNESCAP Language Training Programme Guidelines	broadcasts through email for announcing each language session	http://157.150.210.2 2/intranet_hrms/staff dev/lan_index.html	ST/IC/Geneva/201 3/19 http://learning.unog .ch
\$69 Net salary per hour (in US\$)	3,310.10 Ksh = 38.50 US\$	20,000 CLP/hour (38.17 USD)	1,000 THB	\$35 per hour	€ 44 gross teaching hours/€ 22 gross per admin hour	80.80 CHF
Part time teachers:	qualifications			l	•	
Equivalent to US Master degree + at least 5 years of teaching language experience	University degree and some teaching experience. It is difficult to find language teachers with several years experience in Nairobi because they want a post in a university or an international school and are not interested in our SSA contracts	Master degree	Equivalent of a BA or MA in teaching Arabic/Chinese/En glish, French, Russian, Spanish as a foreign language with at least 5 years of teaching language experience		University degree in applied linguistics, language teaching, or a related field and a minimum of five years of experience in teaching or training adults in language communications skills as a second or foreign language within the last eight years	A university degree in applied linguistics, language teaching, or a related field + ideally 5 years of teaching language experience
Terms					<u>, </u>	
3 terms per year Duration: 12 weeks Exam: 1 week	3 terms per year <u>Duration</u> : 12 weeks <u>Exam</u> : 1 day end of the 12 week term	2 terms per year <u>Duration</u> : 16 weeks <u>Exam</u> : 1 week	3 terms per year <u>Duration</u> : 12 weeks <u>Exam</u> : 1 week	Average 3 + 2-3 summer intensive sessions <u>Duration</u> : Average 8 weeks <u>Exam</u> : Depending on language centre.	2 terms per year <u>Duration</u> : 17 weeks <u>Exam</u> : 1 week	3 terms per year <u>Duration</u> : 12 weeks <u>Exam</u> : 1 week

163	55	96 (+ 10 hours for preparation of each course/per	31	9	39	86
Total number of co	urses in 2011	semester)				
489	165		93	27	79	253
Total number of lar		O (Okinana Fasilah	7 (4	L 4 (Analisa English	7 (01: Familia)	O (Analis Observe
6 (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish)	6 (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Spanish and Kiswahili. Not enough students to start Russian classes)	6 (Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish)	7 (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish and Thai)	4 (Arabic, English, French and Spanish)	7 (Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish, Arabic, German)	6 (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish)
Working languages	i					
English, French	English and French	Spanish, English	English, French	English, Arabic	English, French	English, French
Number of regular	levels					
8 in English, French, Spanish 9 in Arabic, Chinese, Russian	6 in Arabic, 3 in Chinese, 9 in French,4 in Spanish, 2 in English, 1 in Kiswahili	6 in English, 5 in French, 3 in Portuguese and Spanish 2 in Russian 1 in Chinese	8 in English, 9 in Arabic, Russian and Chinese, 10 in French and 12 in Spanish		7 levels in all official languages	9 in English, French, Spanish / 8 in Arabic, Chinese, Russian (in these languages 1 level takes 2 terms so to complete the programme, students need to do 16 levels).
Course duration (he	ours per week)					
Most of courses are offered 3 hours a week (36 hrs per term) Some are 4 hours a week (48 hours per term) Accelerated courses (only Spanish) are 6 hrs a week (72 hrs per term)	Regular courses are offered 4 times a week (48 sessions of 50 minutes each per term). Some special courses are offered twice a week (24 sessions of 50 minutes each or 10 sessions of 1 hour 40 minutes each). Writing courses in English are offered with other formats (24 hours, 15 hours, etc)	All courses are offered twice per week: 1.5 hours each session = 3 hours per week (48 hours per term). Conversation courses (English & French) are offered once per week (24 hours per term)	Regular courses are offered 3 hours a week (36 hrs per term) or 2 hours a week (24 hours per term) depending on numbers of participants Writing courses are offered 2 hours a week (24 hrs per term)	4 hours per week for Arabic 5 hours per week for Spanish and French 6 hours per week for English	Regular levels are offered 3 hours a week (51 hours per term)	Regular courses are offered 4 hours a week (48 hrs per term) Optional courses can be 4 hours a week (48 hours per term) or 2 hours a week (24 hrs per term)
Course duration (n		47	All and and	40	Damila:	Mant of
Most of courses are offered for 12 weeks Some special courses may be offered twice, 6 weeks each Other formats are possible (ex: English writing courses)	Regular courses are offered for 12 weeks. Special courses are offered for 4, 5 or 6 weeks.	17 weeks approx. (varies depending on holidays, teachers calling in sick, etc.)	All courses are offered for 13 weeks (including 1 exam week).	10 weeks on average	Regular courses take place three times per week for 55 minutes or twice a week for 80 minutes, for a total of 51 teaching hours over 17 weeks. Workshops take place once a week, in 55-minute sessions, for a total of 15 teaching hours over 15 weeks.	Most of courses are offered for 12 weeks Some optional courses may be offered for 6 weeks (4 hours a week); there are also 24-hour optional courses running for 12 weeks (2 hours a week) Other formats are possible (ex: 2-day English writing courses)

Course hours						
Morning: 8:30- 9:30am or 8:15- 9:45am Lunch: 12-1, 1-2, 2-3, 12-1:30, 1:30- 3 Evening: After 5:15pm (or 5:45pm during GA)	9:00 am to 9:50 am, 10:00 am to 10:50 am, 11:00 am to 11:50 am, 12:00 pm to 12:50 pm, 1:00 pm to 1:50 pm, 2:00 pm to 2:50 pm (4 times a week). 4:30pm to 6:10pm (twice a week).	Lunch: 1 - 2.30	Monday and Wednesday: 8.30- 15.00 Tuesday and Thursday: 7.30- 17.30 Friday: 7.30-9.00	Arabic: 15:00- 17:00 and 17:00- 19:00 English:15:00- 17:00, 17:15- 19:15, 19:30- 21:30, 14:30- 17:30 and 18:00- 21:00 French: 16:00- 18:30, 18:30- 21:00, 15:30- 18:00, 18:00- 20:30 Spanish: 16:00- 18:30 and 18:30- 21:00	Courses are mainly scheduled during lunch hours and some lessons take place in the morning/afternoon (due to flex time policy change)	Morning: 8:00- 9:00am (4 times a week) or 8:00- 10:00am (twice a week) Lunch: 11:30-12:30 or 12:30-13:30 or 13:30-14:30 (4 times a week) or 11:30-13:30 or 12:30-14:30 (twice a week) Evening: No evening classes
Location of the lang	guage programme					
In two buildings: Secretariat and DC2	In 2 separate locations: Administrative part in W block and language classrooms in central area.	ECLAC compound	ESCAP Learning Centre, UNCC Building (shared amongst all learning programmes)	In language centres for 3 languages and at ESCWA building for Arabic	Vienna International Center	Staff Development and Learning Section, Annex Bocage 2 (UNOG premises)
No resource center	1 (Career & Language Resource Center) Project starting in last quarter of 2013. Language: Magazines, videos, Rosetta Stone and computers Placement test is done in the CLRC	No resource center	Resource center open 8.00-17.00. Facilities provide books, 4 PCs audio CDs, TV, DVD players and internet access. ESCAP Library also language-related books and study guides.	Career Resource Center. Some language material (especially French) are available at ESCWA Library.	1 (Career Resource and Learning Center) 2 computers	1 (Language Resource Centre) Opening hours: 12:30-15:00 Books, magazins, reference materials (i.e. manuals, tapes, videos, etc.) and computers (i.e. internet, videos, audio and written exercises, tests, etc.) in all languages. For English,the written part of the placement tests is done in the computers of the LRC

UNHQ - New York	UNON-Nairobi	ECLAC - Santiago	ESCAP - Bangkok	ESCWA - Beirut	UNOV-Vienna	UNOG - Geneva
Students: Eligibility and tuition						
Free for UN staff, accredited diplomats and retirees Paying for non-accredited diplomats and Funds and Agencies. Spouses, Interns, Consultants non eligible See details at http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/Icp/UNLCP/english /eligibility.html	UNON, UNHABITAT and UNEP (secretariat) pay for their Staff members fees from RB and XB. Regional organizations pay sometimes for staff members who participate in the programme. Sometimes staff members pay for their own fee. Programme open to UN staff	Free for ECLAC staff. Spouses must pay US\$ 100 per year. Agencies and Embassies must pay US\$ 200 per semester. Consultants, Interns and retirees non eligible.	Free: ESCAP, retirees Tuition charged: UN agency staff, staff member spouses, interns, consultants, retirees, diplomats; Thai language courses are self-financed by participants	Free for ESCWA staff members. For Arabic courses, we welcome staff members from other UN agencies and programmes, especially that the number of participants in courses is small.	Staff members of the United Nations Office at Vienna and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Personnel of VIC-based organizations, including consultants, interns and tour guides, in conformity with the respective participation policies	Paying for other Organizations, Funds and Agencies, Mission personnel, including observer Missions, staff of service organizations in the Palais des Nations, employees of NGOs accredited to the UN, press corps, consultants, spouse
\$100 no-show fee \$100 incomplete attendance fee	Full fee for no show and repeating a course	\$100 no-show fee \$100 incomplete attendance fee	THB 1,400.00	No penalty fees, but if a staff member fails a level, he/she will pay for the re- take.	no penalty fee as such, but there is a repetition fee (280 EUR for a regular course & 110 EUR for a workshop)	None
Minimum number o	of students per class					
8 in English, French, Spanish 5 in Arabic, Chinese, Russian	7 in English, French, Spanish 5 in Arabic, Chinese ,Russian and Kiswahili. 5 in English allowed for 24 hours courses.	5 ECLAC staff	4	4-8 for Arabic courses. For other lanaguages, given at the cnetres, around 1-3 per lanaguage per level.	7 (generally more than half should be UNOV/UNODC staff), exceptions can be made to ensure continuity	8 in English, French, Spanish 5 in Arabic*, Chinese, Russian *In Arabic, some times courses are open with less than 5 people in higher levels (to encourage students to take the LPE). When this happens, we offer 24-hour courses (half of a course)
	of students per class			T	Care a second	
12 for some special courses 15 for most of the courses 18 for French regular courses	12 to 13 for all language classes. Classrooms are too small for more students.	15	15		15 for most of the courses	14-16 for English, French and Spanish (depending on the demand, we can go up to 16 people per class) 11-12 for Arabic, Chinese and Russian (classrooms are smaller)

	Language and Communications Programme					
	JNHQ Chinasa Taythaak yaad Dagd ta Cyaasa					
Arabic: Textbooks used: Alif-Baa' and Al-Kitaab series Methodology: Communicative Approach Assessment: 50% Final 50% tests, homework and performance in class Arabic coordinator: Ms Samia Montasser,	Chinese: Textbook used: Road to Success Methodolgy: Communicative Approach Assessment: Final exams Summer study programme in China: see http://unclp.org Chinese Head Teacher: Mr Yong Ho, ho@un.org					
montasser@un.org						
English: Textbook used: World Link, World Pass, Northstar 5 and programme-specific texts developed in-house Methodology: Communicative Approach Assessment: Final exams English coordinator: Ms Kathryn Good, good@un.org	French: No textbook used. Reference: CEFR Methodology: Action-based approach Assessment: Continuous evaluation for levels 1, 3 and 4. Final exams for other levels. French coordinator: Mr Jérôme Quentin, quentinj@un.org					
Russian: Textbooks: GOLOSA(lev 1-6); V PUTI(lev 7-8); In- House Mtrls (lev 9) Assessment: Final Exams Methodology: Communicative Approach Russian Head Teacher: Ms Alla Padalka, padalka@un.org	Spanish: Textbook: Gente 1, 2 & 3 (piloting new textbooks soon) Methodology: Action-based approach Spanish coordinator: Mr Felipe Martin-Sarachaga, martinsarachaga@un.org					
	N-Nairobi					
Arabic: Textbook used: Alif-Baa' and Al-Kitaab fi taalum Alarabiyya with DVDs. Linguaphone for the 4 skills. Communicative approach. Assessment 50% class work and 50 % end of term examination.	Chinese: Textbooks used: 10 level Chinese, Pimselour Chinese Mandarin, Chinese Conversation 345, and other materials from Internet. Communicative approach. Assessment: End of levels tests. Chinese teacher to be replaced soon.					
Teacher: Mr Ehab Metwaly (Ehab.Metwaly@unon.org English: Text book: Headway for Elementary, Intermediate. Masterclass FLE cutting Edge Advanced. Methodology: communicative approach. Assessment: end of terms tests. Teachers: Mary Roveda (Mary.Roveda@unon.org) and Sue Ball (Sue.Ball@unon.org)	French: Text books used: Version Originale until end level 8 (Diffusion), Latitudes (cle international), Français.com(cle international), Grammaire en dialogues(cle international). Exercices de grammaire et vocabulaires (grammaire progressive, etc). Task and co					
Spanish: textbooks used: Aula internacional until level 8. El ventilador for level 9. Communicative and Action based approach. Assessment: Continuous evaluation for levels 1,2,4,5,7 and 8. Exams levels 3,6,9. Teachers: Javier Serrano and Patricia Cuber						
ECLAC	: - Santiago					
Portuguese: Textbook used: Falar Ler Escrever Português Assessment: 50% assistance 50% final test	Chinese: Textbook used: El Nuevo Libro de Chino Práctico Assessment: 50% assistance 50% final test					
English: Textbook used: New American Inside Out Assessment: Final test	French: Alter Ego Assessment: 50% assistance 50% final test					
Russian: Textbooks: жили были Assessment: final test	Spanish: Textbook: Gramatica del español lengua extrajera Assessment: 50% assistance 50% final test					
ESCAP - Bangkok						
Arabic: "Textbooks used: Al- Kitaab and Ahlan Wa Sahlan Series Methodology: Communicative Approach Assessment: End of term test Arabic Teacher: Ms. Lana Le Blanc: lenaadnanessa@yahoo.com	Chinese: Textbooks used: New Practical Chinese Reader Textbook 1-6, New Practical Chinese Reader Workbook 1-6. Methodology: Communicative Approach. Assessment: Formative and summative assessment and End of term test Chinese Teachers: Ms Yangping Skaria					
English: Textbooks used: Interchange 1-2. New Headway Intermediate/Advanced, UN Course Book i.e. Writing Letters & Memo, Report Writing Principles. Methodology: Communicative Approach	French: Textbooks used: Connexions 1-3 Methodology: Action-based approach Assessment: Continuous evaluation and End of term test French Teacher: Mr Olivier Obentajou: obentajou@yahoo.fr					

Assessment: End of term test	
English Teachers: Mr Bruce Avas: avas_bruce@yahoo.com	Occurring Tarable and Occupant 100 A 1 7 All 1 5 Tarable 2000
Russian: Textbooks used: Colloquial Russian, PUTI, in house	Spanish: Textbook: Gente 1-2, Aula 1, Abanico - Espanol 2000,
materials (all levels)	DVD-Gente, Socios
Assessment: End of term test	Assessment: End of term test
Methodology: Communicative Approach	Methodology: Action-based Approach
Russian Teacher: Ms Svetlana Cherkasova:	Spanish Teacher: Mr Rafael Domingo:
sqlana@yahoo.com	rafaeldomingo@hotmail.com
ESCWA - Beirut Arabic: Mostly spoken (colloquial) Arabic is taught with English: Language material used at the British Council	
some material from Al-Kitaab for traditional Arabic	
French: Language material used at the Institut Français	Spanish: Language material used at Instituto Cervantes
Arabic: Textbook used: Alif- Baa' and Al-Kitaab series. Chinese: Texbooks used: Level 1 - NEW PRACTICAL CHINESE	
Methodology: Communicative Approach	
Assessment: Final exams	READER WORKBOOK 1, 2, 3, 4, (CD) 新实用汉语课本 1至4册;
Arabic Teacher Ms. Hiam Wadie, hiam.wadie@unodc.org	Level 2 - NEW PRACTICAL CHINESE READER TEXTBOOK 1, 2, 3, 4,
Addic reacher wis. High wadie, High wadie et node.org	(DVD) 新实用汉语课本 1至4册; level 3 - CONTEMPORARY
	CHINESE TEXT BOOK 1, 2, 3, 当代中文 课本; level 4 - CO
English: Textbook used: Programme-specific texts	French: No textbook used
developed in-house	Methodology: Communicative Approach
Methodology: Communicative Approach	Assessment: Continuous evaluation for levels 1, 3 and 4. Final
Assessment: Final exams	exams for other levels.
English Teacher: Ms. Augusta Cooper/ maternity leave	French teachers: Claude Renaud,
replacement: Ms. Senj Temple,	claude.renard.dos.santos@unodc.org and Stephanie
augusta.cooper@unodc.org/senj.temple@unodc.org"	Gamsjaeger, stephanie.gamsjaeger@u
Russian: Textbooks: Zhili-Byli Vols. 1 & 2, Poehali 1 and 2,	Spanish: Textbook: Gente 1,2 &3
plus In house materials,	Currently piloting new book for Spanish 1 called "Aula 1
Assessment: Final Exams	Internacional"
Methodology: Communicative Approach Russian Teacher: Ms. Zara Mueller - Tariverdi,	Methodology: Action-based approach
zara.mueller.tariverdi@unodc.org	Spanish Teacher Ms. Rossy Idarraga, rossy.idarraga@unodc.org and Mr. Guillermo Fernandez, guillermo.fernandez@unodc.org
UNOG - Geneva	
Arabic: Texbook used: Alif- Baa' and Al-Kitaab series + Chinese: Texbooks used: Level 1 - 5 Advanced: Manuals (and	
specific materials developed in-house	materials) developped by the UNOG Chinese language
Methodology: Communicative Approach	section. Level 6 and above: New Practical Chinese Reader
Assesment: Final exams	(Upper Elementary, Vols. 3 & 4), Road to Success (Listening &
Arabic Teacher: Ms. Jilan Nada (<u>inada@unog.ch</u>)	Speaking) and programme-specific materials developed in-
, a dicto to deliteration of deliteration (in deliteration)	house.
	Methodolgy: Communicative Approach
	Assessment: Final exams
	Chinese Teacher: Ms. Li Bourrit (Ibourrit@unog.ch)
English: Texbook used: Series used: Language Leader;	French: Texbook used: Alter Ego 1 (A1); Alter Ego 3 (B1); Alter
Headway; Global; New English File; Premium; Destinations	Ego 4 (B2); Ici 2 (A2); Objectif Diplomatie (A1/A2); Objectif
(B1, B2, C1 & C2) and programme-specific materials	Diplomatie 2 (B1/B2); Grammaire progressive du français
developed in-house.	(débutant, intermédiaire); Exercices de grammaire en contexte
Methodology: Communicative Approach	(niveau avancé) and programme-specific materials
Assessment: Continuous evaluation for levels 1, 2, 4, 5, 7	developed in-house.
and 9. Final exams for other levels (3, 6 & 8).	Methodology: Action-based and task-based communicative
English Teachers: Ms. Carol Waites (cwaites@unog.ch), Ms.	approach.
Sarah Jordan (sjordan@unog.ch), Ms. Anne O'Brien	Assessment: Continuous evaluation for levels 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8.
(aobrien@unog.ch), Ms. Pam Schaffner	Final exams for other levels.
(pschaffner@unog.ch), Ms. Elizabeth Majoul-Hunter	French Teachers: Ms. Marie-Josée Astre (mastre@unog.ch), Ms.
(emajoul-hunter@unog.ch)	Sylviane Jaillet-Boberg (sjailletboberg@unog.ch), Ms. Véronique
	Magnin (vmagnin@unog.ch), Ms. Michelle Puygrenier
	(mpuygrenier@unog.ch), Ms. Bénédicte Saouter
	(bsaouter@unog.ch)
Russian: Textbooks: Zhili-Byli Vols. 1 & 2 (Once upon a time),	Spanish: Textbook: Pasaporte Compilado A (A1+A2); Pasaporte
Le russe à votre rythmes! (grammaire avec les	level 1, 2 and 4 (A1, A2, B2); Gramática Anaya (A1/A2); Aula
commantaires en français), Poehali – 1 and 2 (Allons-y – 1	Internacional 3; Competencia gramatical en USO B1;
and 2), Doroga v Rossiyu 3 (The way to Russia 3), Russkiy	Competencia gramatical en USO B2 and programme-specific

Exspress (part 1 & 2) and programme-specific materials materials developed in-house. developed in-house. Methodology: Action-based approach Assessment: Final Exams Spanish Teachers: Mr Paco Calvete (pcalvete@unog.ch), Mr. Methodology: Communicative Approach Juan Garcia-Araez (jgarcia-araez@unog.ch) and Ms. Russian Teachers: Ms. Natasha Raskalei Almudena Rueda (arueda@unog.ch) (nraskalei@unog.ch), Ms. Elena Gougkaeva (egougkaeva@unog.ch)

Annex 2. Needs Analysis for Language Learning at UNOG (1)

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Page 1 - Heading
Employment Status
Page 1 - Question 1 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please select your current employment status (Geneva only)
 I am a UN staff member and I work at the UN Secretariat (Skip to 2) I am a UN staff member and I do not work at the UN Secretariat (Skip to 3) I am part of another International Organization (Skip to 4) I am an employee of a permanent mission to the UN (Skip to 7) I am not part of the above (Skip to 8)
Page 2 - Question 2 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please select the UN Secretariat Service you are currently working for
 Security and Safety Service Information Service Human Resources Management Service Financial Resources Management Service Central Support Services Information and Communication Technology Service Central Planning and Coordination Service Interpretation Service Languages Service Publishing Service Library Cultural Activities Committee Other, please specify
(Skip Unconditionally to 5)

Page 3 - Question 3 - Choice - One Answer (Drop Down) (Mandatory)

Please select the UN entity you are currently working for.

- Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)
- O Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
- International Bureau of Education (IBE)
- International Computing Centre (ICC)
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)

	International Labor Organization (ILO)
0	International Trade Center (ITC)
0	International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
\circ	International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY)
\circ	Joint Inspection Unit (JIU)
	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)
	Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
	United Nations Compensation Commission (UNCC)
	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNHCHR)
	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
	United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
	United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)
_	United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
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0	United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)
	United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (NGLS)
	United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
_	United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
0	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near-East (UNRWA)
	United Nations Research for Social Development (UNRISD)
	United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace (UNOSDP)
	United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB)
	United Nations Volunteers Programme (UNV)
0	Universal Post Union (UPU)
0	World Bank
0	World Food Programme (WFP)
0	World Health Organization (WHO)
	World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
	World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
\circ	World Trade Organization (WTO)
(Skip l	Jnconditionally to 5)
Page 4	Question 4 - Choice - One Answer (Drop Down) (Mandatory)
Please	select the Organization you are currently working for.
0	European Free Trade Association (EFTA)
O	International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
O	International Committee of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
O	International Organization for Migration (IOM)
O	International Electronical Commission (IEC)
0	Parliamentary Union (IPU)
O	International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
0	European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)
0	European Commission (EC)
O	The Global Fund to fight Aids, Tuberculosis and Malaria (TGF)
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Page 5 - Question 5 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)	
Please select your current occupational group.	
Please select your current occupational group. Administration Civilian Police Civil Affairs Conference Services Drug Control and Crime Prevention Engineering Economic Affairs Finance Human Resources Human Rights Human Rights Humanitarian Affairs Information Management Information Systems and Technology Jurists Legal Affairs Logistics Medical Service Political Affairs Procurement Production, Service and Transport Work Programme Management Public Administration Public Information Security Social Affairs Statistics	
Page 6 - Question 6 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)	
Please select your current staff category.	
 G or related P or related D Other, please specify 	
Page 6 - Question 7 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory) Please select your current level.	
 1 2 3 4 5 6 	
7Other, please specify	

(Skip Unconditionally to 9)

Page 7 - Question 8 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please select your current status at the Permanent mission to the UN.
O UN Accredited Mission Staff
O UN Unaccredited Mission Staff
(Skip Unconditionally to 9)
Page 8 - Question 9 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please select your current category.
O Consultant
O Spouse
O Retiree
O Intern
O NGO's member
Other, please specify
Page 9 - Question 10 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please select your location.
☐ Palais des Nations site
Ariana
Palais Wilson
Avenue de la Paix
☐ Sècheron
■ Montbrillant
Route de Ferney
■ Motta
■ Varembé
☐ Vermont
Morillons
Appia
□ Cointrin
☐ Petit Saconnex
☐ Grand Saconnex
Châtelaine
Other, please specify
Page 10 - Heading
Languages in the work place
Page 10 - Question 11 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate if you use Arabic at work.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 12)

Page 11 - Heading
Using Arabic at work
Please select all the activities you perform on a weekly basis at work.
Page 11 - Question 12 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities
Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts
Page 11 - Question 13 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities.
Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading formal fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet
Page 11 - Question 14 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.
 Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc □ Debriefing □ Making public announcements □ Giving oral instructions □ Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) □ Advising, guiding □ Negotiating □ Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) □ Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) □ Interviewing and being interviewed □ Participating in telephone conversations
Page 11 - Question 15 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate writing activities.
Writing informal lettersWriting formal lettersWriting informal emails

Writing formal emails
Writing minutes
Writing instant messages
Writing invitations
 Completing applications, institutional forms
Taking notesWriting a note
Writing a horeWriting reports
Writing memoranda Writing memoranda
☐ Writing speeches
☐ Writing resumes
Page 12 - Question 16 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate if you use Chinese at work.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 14)
Page 13 - Heading
Using Chinese at work
Please select all the activities you perform on a weekly basis at work.
Page 13 - Question 17 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities
 Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions
Listening to public announcements
☐ Listening to instructions
Listening to meetings
Listening to social conversations
Listening to professional conversations
☐ Watching TV shows and movies
Listening to radio broadcasts
Listening to audio/ video podcasts
Page 13 - Question 18 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities.
 Reading informal fax, letters, emails
Reading formal fax, letters, emails
Reading newspapers, magazines
Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals
Reading official rules and regulations
Reading reports, summaries
Reading documents, articles specific to your fieldReading invitations, thank you notes
Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets
 Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports)
Browsing the Internet
Page 13 - Question 19 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.
Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc
Debriefing

Making public announcements	
☐ Giving oral instructions	
Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups)	
Advising, guiding	
Negotiating	
Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small	
groups)	
Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues,	
clients)	
Interviewing and being interviewedParticipating in telephone conversations	
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Page 13 - Question 20 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	_
Please select the appropriate writing activities.	
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☐ Writing informal letters	
Writing formal letters	
☐ Writing informal emails	
☐ Writing formal emails	
Writing minutes Writing instant massages	
Writing instant messagesWriting invitations	
Completing applications, institutional forms	
Taking notes	
Writing a note	
☐ Writing a riote	
Writing memoranda Writing memoranda	
☐ Writing speeches	
☐ Writing resumes	
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Page 14 - Question 21 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)	٦
Please indicate if you use English at work.	
O Yes	
O No (Skip to 16)	
Page 15 - Heading	
Using English at work	
Please select all the activities you perform on a weekly basis at work.	
Page 15 - Question 22 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	
Please select the appropriate listening activities	
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 Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions 	
Listening to public announcements	
Listening to instructions	
Listening to meetings	
Listening to social conversations	
Listening to professional conversations	
☐ Watching TV shows and movies	
Listening to radio broadcasts	
Listening to audio/ video podcasts	

Page 15 - Question 23 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities.
Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading formal fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.
Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations Page 15 - Guestion 25 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Please select the appropriate writing activities. Writing informal letters Writing formal letters Writing formal emails Writing instant messages Writing instant messages Writing invitations Completing applications, institutional forms Taking notes Writing a note Writing reports Writing reports Writing reports Writing resumes Page 16 - Guestion 26 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate if you use French at work.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 18)

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Page 17 - Heading
Using French at work
Please select all the activities you perform on a weekly basis at work.
Page 17 - Question 27 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities
 Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts
Page 17 - Question 28 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities.
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 Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading formal fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet
Page 17 - Question 29 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.
 Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations
Page 17 - Question 30 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate writing activities.
 Writing informal letters Writing formal letters Writing informal emails

Writing formal emails
Writing minutes
Writing instant messages
Writing invitations
 Completing applications, institutional forms
Taking notesWriting a note
Writing a horeWriting reports
Writing memoranda Writing memoranda
☐ Writing speeches
☐ Writing resumes
Page 18 - Question 31 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate if you use Russian at work.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 20)
Page 19 - Heading
Using Russian at work
Please select all the activities you perform on a weekly basis at work.
Page 19 - Question 32 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities
Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions
Listening to public announcements
☐ Listening to instructions
Listening to meetings
Listening to social conversations
Listening to professional conversations
☐ Watching TV shows and movies
Listening to radio broadcasts
Listening to audio/ video podcasts
Page 19 - Question 33 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities.
 Reading informal fax, letters, emails
Reading formal fax, letters, emails
Reading newspapers, magazines
Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals
Reading official rules and regulations
Reading reports, summaries
Reading documents, articles specific to your fieldReading invitations, thank you notes
Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets
 Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports)
Browsing the Internet
Page 19 - Question 34 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.
Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc
Debriefing

Making public announcements
Giving oral instructions
Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups)
Advising, guiding
Negotiating
Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small
 Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients)
 Interviewing and being interviewed
Participating in telephone conversations
Page 19 - Question 35 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate writing activities.
Writing informal letters
☐ Writing formal letters
☐ Writing informal emails
☐ Writing formal emails
☐ Writing minutes
☐ Writing instant messages
☐ Writing invitations
Completing applications, institutional forms
☐ Taking notes
☐ Writing a note
Writing reports
Writing memoranda
■ Writing speeches
Writing resumes
Page 20 - Question 36 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate if you use Spanish at work.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 22)
Page 21 - Heading
Using Spanish at work
Please select all the activities you perform on a weekly basis at work.
Page 21 - Question 37 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities
 Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions
Listening to public announcements
Listening to instructions
☐ Listening to meetings
Listening to social conversations
Listening to professional conversations
■ Watching TV shows and movies
Listening to radio broadcasts
Listening to gudio/ video podcasts

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Please	e select the appropriate reading activities.
	Reading formal fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports)
Page 2	1 - Question 39 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please	e select the appropriate speaking activities.
	Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations
	en select the appropriate writing activities.
	Writing informal letters Writing formal emails Writing formal emails Writing minutes Writing instant messages Writing invitations Completing applications, institutional forms Taking notes Writing a note Writing reports

Page 22 - Heading
Learning languages
Page 22 - Question 41 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate whether you are currently learning or intend to learn a language at the UN (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and/or Spanish).
YesNo (Skip to 47)
Page 23 - Question 42 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate whether you are currently learning or intend to learn Arabic at the UN.
YesNo (Skip to 27) Page 24 - Heading
Learning Arabic
Page 24 - Question 43 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory) Plages indicate your main abjective(s) for studying Arabia (about all that apply)
Please indicate your main objective(s) for studying Arabic (check all that apply).
 To pass the Language Proficiency Exam To use the language for professional purposes To socialize with my colleagues To use the language outside work in my daily life To network with people in class To address touristic needs To learn about the language and cultures Other, please specify
Page 24 - Question 44 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please specify the type of language course in Arabic you would be interested in.
General language course (Skip to 26)Specific course (legal language, professional writing)
Page 25 - Question 45 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please specify the type of specific course in Arabic you would be interested in. Check all that apply.
 Legal Language Writing skills (correspondence, reports, minutes, memos) Diplomacy Security Presentation skills Phonetics Other, please specify

Page 26 - Heading	_
Please select below what you would like to improve in Arabic (professional and personal life).	
Page 26 - Question 46 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	
Please select the appropriate listening activities.	
Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts	7
Page 26 - Question 47 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Please select the appropriate reading activities.	7
Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading professional fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet	
Page 26 - Question 48 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.	
 Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc. Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Participating in informal discussions in a non professional context (with friends, family) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations 	
Page 26 - Question 49 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	
Please select the appropriate writing activities.	
☐ Writing informal letters	

Writing formal letters		
■ Writing informal emails		
☐ Writing formal emails		
Writing minutes		
Writing instant messages		
Writing invitations		
Completing applications, institutional forms		
Taking notes		
Writing a note		
☐ Writing reports		
Writing memoranda		
Writing speeches		
☐ Writing resumes		
Page 27 - Question 50 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)		
Please indicate whether you are currently learning or intend to learn Chinese at the UN.		
O Yes		
O No (Skip to 31)		
Page 28 - Heading		
Learning Chinese		
Page 28 - Question 51 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)		
Please indicate your main objective(s) for studying Chinese (check all that apply).		
☐ To pass the Language Proficiency Exam		
☐ To use the language for professional purposes		
☐ To socialize with my colleagues		
☐ To use the language outside work in my daily life		
☐ To network with people in class		
☐ To address touristic needs		
To learn about the language and cultures		
Other, please specify		
Page 28 - Question 52 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)		
Please check the option corresponding to your priority for learning Chinese.		
☐ General language course (Skip to 30)		
Specific course (legal language, professional writing)		
Page 29 - Question 53 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)		
Please specify the type of specific course in Chinese you would be interested in. Check all		
that apply.		
Legal Language		
Writing skills (correspondence, reports, minutes, memos)		
Diplomacy		
Security		
Presentation skills		
Phonetics Other plants are a self-transferred.		
Other, please specify		

Page 30 - Heading
Please select below what you would like to improve in Chinese (professional and personal life).
Page 30 - Question 54 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities.
Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts
Page 30 - Question 55 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Please select the appropriate reading activities.
Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading professional fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet
Page 30 - Question 56 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.
 Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc. Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Participating in informal discussions in a non professional context (with friends, family) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations
Page 30 - Question 57 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate writing activities.
☐ Writing informal letters

Writing formal letters
Writing informal emails
Writing formal emails
☐ Writing minutes
Writing instant messages
Writing invitations
Completing applications, institutional forms
☐ Taking notes
Writing a note
Writing reports
Writing memoranda
Writing speeches
Writing resumes
Page 31 - Question 58 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate whether you are currently learning or intend to learn English at the UN.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 35)
Page 32 - Heading
Learning English
Page 32 - Question 59 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate your main objective(s) for studying English (check all that apply).
☐ To pass the Language Proficiency Exam
To use the language for professional purposes To use the language for professional purposes
To socialize with my colleagues
To use the language outside work in my daily life
☐ To network with people in class
☐ To address touristic needs
☐ To learn about the language and cultures
Other, please specify
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Page 32 - Question 60 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please check the option corresponding to your priority for learning English.
General language course (Skip to 34)
Specific course (legal language, professional writing)
Page 33 - Question 61 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please specify the type of specific course in English you would be interested in. Check all that apply.
☐ Legal Language
Writing skills (correspondence, reports, minutes, memos)
☐ Diplomacy
☐ Security
Presentation skills
Phonetics
Other, please specify

Page 34 - Heading	_
Please select below what you would like to improve in English (professional and personal life).	
Page 34 - Question 62 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	
Please select the appropriate listening activities.	
Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts	
Page 34 - Question 63 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Please select the appropriate reading activities.	
Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading professional fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet	
Page 34 - Question 64 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	_
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.	
 Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc. Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Participating in informal discussions in a non professional context (with friends, family) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations 	
Page 34 - Question 65 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	
Please select the appropriate writing activities.	
☐ Writing informal letters	

Writing formal letters
Writing informal emails
Writing formal emails
Writing minutes
Writing instant messages
Writing invitations
Completing applications, institutional forms
☐ Taking notes
Writing a note
Writing reports
Writing memoranda
Writing speeches
Writing resumes
Page 35 - Question 66 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate whether you are currently learning or intend to learn French at the UN.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 39)
Page 36 - Heading
Learning French
Page 36 - Question 67 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate your main objective(s) for studying French (check all that apply).
☐ To pass the Language Proficiency Exam
☐ To use the language for professional purposes
☐ To socialize with my colleagues
☐ To use the language outside work in my daily life
☐ To network with people in class
☐ To address touristic needs
To learn about the language and cultures
Other, please specify
Page 36 - Question 68 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please check the option corresponding to your priority for learning French.
General language course (Skip to 38)
Specific course (legal language, professional writing)
Page 37 - Question 69 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Please specify the type of specific course in French you would be interested in. Check all
that apply.
☐ Legal Language
Writing skills (correspondence, reports, minutes, memos)
Diplomacy
Security
Presentation skills
Phonetics (
Other, please specify

Please select below what you would like to improve in French (professional and personal life).
Page 38 - Question 70 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities.
Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts
Page 38 - Question 71 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities. Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading professional fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet
Please select the appropriate speaking activities
Please select the appropriate speaking activities. Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc. Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Participating in informal discussions in a non professional context (with friends, family) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations
Page 38 - Question 73 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate writing activities.

Writing form Writing info	rmal emails		
Writing formal emailsWriting minutes			
	ant messages rations		
 Completing applications, institutional forms 			
Taking noteWriting a note			
Writing repo	orts		
Writing merWriting speed			
☐ Writing resu			
	Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)		
Please indicate wh	nether you are currently learning or intend to learn Russian at the UN.		
YesNo (Skip to	43)		
Page 40 - Heading	40)		
Learning Russian			
Page 40 - Question 75 -	Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)		
Please indicate yo	ur main objective(s) for studying Russian (check all that apply).		
	Language Proficiency Exam		
	anguage for professional purposes with my colleagues		
lacksquare To use the $lacksquare$	anguage outside work in my daily life		
	with people in class touristic needs		
	out the language and cultures		
Other, plea	ise specify		
Page 40 - Question 76 -	Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)		
Please check the o	option corresponding to your priority for learning Russian.		
General lar	nguage course (Skip to 42)		
Specific co	urse (legal language, professional writing)		
	Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)		
Please specify the type of specific course in Russian you would be interested in. Check all that apply.			
Legal Lang			
Writing skillsDiplomacy	(correspondence, reports, minutes, memos)		
Security			
PresentatioPhonetics	n skills		
Other, plea	ise specify		

Page 42 - Question 78 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Listening to professional conversations Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts
 Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts
 Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts
Page 42 - Question 79 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities. Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading professional fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet
Plage 42 - Question 80 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Plages select the appropriate specified activities
Please select the appropriate speaking activities. Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc. Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Participating in informal discussions in a non professional context (with friends, family) Interviewing and being interviewed Participating in telephone conversations
Page 42 - Question 81 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate writing activities.

Writing formal letters
Writing informal emails
Writing formal emailsWriting minutes
Writing instant messages
☐ Writing invitations
Completing applications, institutional forms
☐ Taking notes
☐ Writing a note
☐ Writing reports
☐ Writing memoranda
■ Writing speeches
Writing resumes
Page 43 - Question 82 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate whether you are currently learning or intend to learn Spanish at the UN.
O Yes
O No (Skip to 47)
Page 44 - Heading
Learning Spanish
Leaning Spanish
Page 44 - Question 83 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate your main objective(s) for studying Spanish (check all that apply).
☐ To pass the Language Proficiency Exam
☐ To use the language for professional purposes
☐ To socialize with my colleagues
To use the language outside work in my daily life
☐ To network with people in class
To address touristic needs
To learn about the language and cultures
Other, please specify
Page 44 - Question 84 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please check the option corresponding to your priority for learning Spanish.
☐ General language course (Skip to 46)
☐ Specific course (legal language, professional writing)
Page 45 - Question 85 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please specify the type of specific course in Spanish you would be interested in. Check all
that apply.
☐ Legal Language
Writing skills (correspondence, reports, minutes, memos)
☐ Diplomacy
☐ Security
☐ Presentation skills
Phonetics
Other, please specify

Please select below what you would like to improve in Spanish (professional and personal life).
Page 46 - Question 86 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate listening activities
Listening to conferences, lectures, training sessions Listening to public announcements Listening to instructions Listening to meetings Listening to social conversations Listening to professional conversations Watching TV shows and movies Listening to radio broadcasts Listening to audio/ video podcasts
Page 46 - Question 87 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate reading activities.
 Reading informal fax, letters, emails Reading professional fax, letters, emails Reading newspapers, magazines Reading instructions, catalogues, manuals Reading official rules and regulations Reading reports, summaries Reading documents, articles specific to your field Reading invitations, thank you notes Reading booklets, brochures, leaflets Compiling information from various sources (to create press releases, reports) Browsing the Internet
Page 46 - Question 88 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate speaking activities.
 Welcoming visitors, friends, clients, etc. Debriefing Making public announcements Giving oral instructions Giving presentations, speeches (to large groups) Advising, guiding Negotiating Participating in formal discussions, meetings, debates, training sessions (in small groups) Participating in informal discussions in a professional context (with colleagues, clients) Participating in informal discussions in a non professional context (with friends, family)
Interviewing and being interviewedParticipating in telephone conversations
Page 46 - Question 89 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Please select the appropriate writing activities.
□ Writing informal letters

Writing formal letters
Writing informal emails
Writing formal emails
Writing minutes
☐ Writing instant messages
 Writing invitations Completing applications institutional forms
Completing applications, institutional formsTaking notes
☐ Writing a note
☐ Writing reports
☐ Writing memoranda
☐ Writing speeches
Writing resumes
Page 47 - Heading
Additional questions
Page 47 - Question 90 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please select one option
1 leads tolder one opnor
 I am a current language student at the UN (Skip to 49)
I am a former language student at the UN
I have never studied a language at the UN
Page 48 - Question 91 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Please indicate the reason(s) why you are not currently enrolled on a language course at
the UN. Check all that apply.
☐ I have already passed the Language Proficiency Exam in the language(s) I
use/need
I have a very busy schedule
My supervisor would not authorize it
☐ I am often away from my duty station
 The format (term duration, schedule) of actual UN language courses is not appropriate
I see no use in learning a new language
I do not need it for work
☐ It is better to learn the language naturally
☐ I have never heard about the Language Training Programme at the UN
☐ I had a bad experience with the Language Training Programme at the UN
Classes take place too far from my office
I recently joined the UN
☐ I took a placement test but I was not offered a place in a class
Other, please specify
Page 40 Question 92 Chaice Multiple Appropriately
Page 49 - Question 92 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets) Please indicate the time(s) you would prefer language courses start if given the option to
choose. Check all that apply.
7:30am
■ 8:00am
8:30am
9:00am

	9:30am	
	10:00am	
	10:30am	
	11:00am	
	11:30am	
	12:00pm	
	12:30pm	
	1:00pm	
	1:30pm	
	2:00pm	
	2:30pm	
	3:00pm	
	3:30pm	
	4:00pm	
	4:30pm	
	5:00pm	
	5:30pm	
	6:00pm	
Page 49	- Question 93 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets)	
	indicate what you think the ideal length of a language class is.	
110000	Thateare what year mink the lacarietight of a language class to	J
\circ	1 hour	
\circ	1 hour and 30 minutes	
\circ	2 hours	
0	2 hours and 30 minutes	
0	3 hours	
0	Other, please specify	
Page 49	- Question 94 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets)	
Please	indicate what you think the ideal class frequency would be for the same language	
course		
		J
\circ	Once a week	
\circ	Twice a week	
0	3 times a week	
0	4 times a week	
0	5 times a week	
0	Other, please specify	
Page 49	- Question 95 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)	
Curren	tly, most of our courses last for a 12-week term.	
	, how many continuous weeks could you dedicate to attending a language course.	
	all that apply.	
		J
	4 weeks	
	6 weeks	
	8 weeks	
	10 weeks	
	12 weeks	
	More than 12 weeks	

Page 49 - Question 96 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)				
Please indicate whether you would be interested in taking an intensive language course (less than 2 weeks).				
O Yes O No (Skip to 51)				
Page 50 - Question 97 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)				
Please indicate the type(s) of intensive course schedule(s) you would be interested in. Check all that apply.				
 4 hours a day in a 1-week period (mornings or afternoons - 20 hours total) 4 hours a day in a 2-week period (mornings or afternoons - 40 hours total) 2 hours a day in a 4-week period (40 hours total) 2 hours a day in a 2-week period (20 hours total) Other, please specify 				
Page 50 - Question 98 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)				
Please indicate which month(s) would be best for you to take an intensive course. Check all that apply.				
 January February March April May June July August September October November December 				
Page 51 - Question 99 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)				
Please indicate whether you would be interested in taking an on-line course.				
YesNoI might be interested if				
Page 51 - Heading				
Additional questions for managers and supervisors				
Page 51 - Question 100 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory) Do you manage or supervise other staff members?				
O Yes O No (Skip to 54)				
Page 52 - Question 101 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)				
How many staff members do you supervise?				

9 1 to 5
O 6 to 10
O 11 to 20
o more than 20
Page 52 - Question 102 - Choice - One Answer (Bullets) (Mandatory)
Would you be interested in a work-related language course specifically tailored to your staff / unit?
 Yes No (Skip to 54) Page 53 - Question 103 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Which language(s)? Check all that apply.
which anguageto. Check an mar apply.
 □ Arabic □ Chinese □ English □ French □ Russian □ Spanish
Page 53 - Question 104 - Choice - Multiple Answers (Bullets)
Which topic?
 Legal language Writing skills Diplomacy Security Presentation skills Other, please specify
Page 54 - Question 105 - Open Ended - Comments Box
Open comments (please be as specific as possible!)

Thank You Page

Thank you very much for your input.

It will be critical in determining how language training is delivered in the future in UNOG.

If you want to find out about the language courses offered by SDLS, visit our website at http://learning.unog.ch/

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Annex 3. A Profiling Grid for Language Teaching Professionals



A Profiling Grid for Language Teaching Professionals

Background and Aims

The grid is inspired by the self-assessment grid in the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR Table 2) and European Language Portfolio (ELP)¹. A common European framework was first conceptualised in terms of categories for objectives, with lists of sub-components. A set of reference levels was in the proposal for the ELP, but was moved to the CEFR by the Symposium that recommended the CEFR and ELP. In the pilot editions the levels were in an Appendix, being moved into the main body for the published 2001 edition as a result of feedback.

The aim of the CEFR is to encourage reflection on current practice, use of a common metalanguage and, last but not least, agreement on common reference points: the six Common Reference Levels A1-C2. Moves towards a common European framework for teacher education (concerned with initial language teacher education for state school teachers) have also had an initial focus on categories for objectives, with lists of sub-components². The EAQUALS Profiling Grid introduces (a) the idea of a set of reference levels and (b) a one-page overview of competence (like CEFR Table 2).

Stages

The three broad stages "Basic," "Independent" and "Proficient" reflect the three broad levels of the CEFR.

- At the Basic stage, teaching knowledge and competence is holistic and in the process of being acquired.
- Already by T4, specialization in a certain direction may be noticeable: there are many different ways to be an 'independent' or 'proficient' teacher. T5-6 teachers may in addition acquire specialized "expert" skills in certain supplementary areas.

Categories

The four broad categories "Language," "Qualifications," "Core Competencies" and "Complementary skills" are intended to reflect the main aspects of a language teaching professional's profile. Some people may have high-level <u>core competencies</u> yet lack significant formal <u>qualifications</u>. Others may have high-level paper qualifications but be lacking in core competencies (including experience) at the equivalent level. <u>Complementary skills</u> may develop during a person's career, or may reflect experience or latent talents that they bring with them to the profession.

Language proficiency relates primarily to non-native speakers, though many native-speaker teachers will not be at T6. Language awareness, however, relates to both native- and non-native speakers.

Qualifications relate to the norms for the sector and national context concerned. Many contexts have T4 as their minimum standard and this would be reflected in the relevant country notes for inspectors. For extensive teaching in some national contexts, the norm is lower and therefore the EAQUALS minimum standard for those specific contexts is T3.

Core competencies: Descriptors for different core competencies could be used for teacher self-assessment, as a reference point for developing teacher training curricula for different levels, for defining training tasks, for documenting the competencies demonstrated in training, and for the observation of teaching (by peers, trainers or managers). Areas for which descriptors could be further developed include:

- Language awareness and sensitivity to learner problems
- The nature of language learning
- Course design
- Setting learning objectives
- Classroom management
- Inter-cultural awareness and sensitivity
- Teaching techniques
- Assessment of progress
- Checking learning and giving feedback

Complementary skills could be a considerably longer list than those in the grid. Teacher Development and Digital Media have been included because, whilst not core classroom competencies, they are central to the professional life of a language teaching institution. Other complementary skills for which descriptors could be developed include:

- Learner counselling
- Managing people
- School administration
- Quality management
- Language testing

¹ CEFR Tables 1-3 and descriptor scales were developed by Brian North

² European Profile for Language Teacher Education (University of Southampton); European Portfolio for Student Teachers of Languages (David Newby) Brian North, Galya Mateva, Richard Rossner 2007- 2009 © EAQUALS



A Profiling Grid for Language Teachers

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EUROPEAN LAI	EUROPEAN LANGUAGE ACCREDITATION							
	'	BASIC		INDEPENDENT		PROFICIENT		
		T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	
(GE	Language Proficiency	 studying the language at tertiary level B1 proficiency 	 studying the language at tertiary level B2 proficiency 	a B2 certificate in the language; oral competence at C1 level	a C1 examination certificate (eg CAE); oral competence at C2 level	 degree in the language, or. a C2 examination certificate (eg CPE) 	native speaker, or: language degree or C2 certificate plus a natural command of the language	
LANGUAGE	Language Awareness	 answer simple queries with the help of refer- ence works 	 answer queries related to high frequency structures 	give correct models of usage on most occasions answer most language queries satisfactorily at A1-B1, using reference sources as necessary	give correct models of usage on most occasions answer language queries adequately though not always comprehensively, using reference sources as necessary	give correct examples of usage on all occasions answer language queries reliably	provide clear explanations teach usage and register at all levels understand what is confusing learners give comprehensive, accurate answers to queries	
IONS	Language Teacher Qualifications	 taking a certificate in teaching the target language, or: following an internal training course 	 a minimum of 30 hours documented, structured training in language aware- ness and methodology of teaching the target language 	 a minimum of 60 hours of docu- mented, structured training in teaching the target language 	degree in the target language, or: internationally recognised (min. 100 hour) certificate in teaching the target language	 degree or degree module in teaching the target language, or. internationally recognised (min. 100 hour) certificate in teaching the target language 	masters degree or module in language teaching or applied linguistics or: postgraduate or professional diploma in teaching the language (min. 200 hours)	
QUALIFICATIONS	Language Teaching Practice	 experience of team- teaching or of acting as a teacher's assistant 	 experience of supervision and assessment while teach- ing phases of lessons 	 a minimum of 2 hours of documented, assessed teaching practice has been observed & had feedback on some actual teaching 	a minimum of 6 hours of documented, assessed teaching practice has been observed & had feedback on at least 5 hrs of real teaching	 a minimum of 12 hours of docu- mented, assessed teaching practice has been observed & had feedback on at least 8 hours of teaching 	a minimum of 18 hours of documented, assessed teaching practice has been observed & had feedback on at least 12 hours of teaching	
QUA	Teaching Experience	 taught some lessons or parts of lessons at one or two levels 	 own class(es) but limited experience which only in- cludes teaching at lower levels 	a minimum of 200 hours, docu- mented teaching experience taught a range of levels up to B1	a minimum of 800 hours, documented teaching experience taught all levels except C1 & C2	 a minimum of 2,400 hours, documented teaching experience taught all levels except C2, examination or specialised classes 	a minimum of 4,000 hours, documented teaching experience taught all levels successfully, general, exam and specialised	
	Methodology: knowledge and skills	sensitisation to learning theories and features of language familiarity with a limited range of tech- niques and materials for one or two levels	basic understanding of learning theories and features of language familiarity with techniques and materials for 2+ levels select new techniques & materials with advice from colleagues	familiarity with theories of language learning and with learning styles familiarity with an expanding range of techniques and materials choose which to apply based on the needs of a particular group evaluate usefulness of techniques and materials in teaching context	familiarity with learning theory, learning styles and learning strategies identify the theoretical rationale behind a wide range of techniques and materials, with which familiar evaluate appropriateness of techniques and materials in different teaching situations	good familiarity with teaching approaches, learning styles, strategies provide theoretical rationale for teaching approach and for a very wide range of techniques / materials evaluate materials effectively from practical and theoretical perspectives	detailed knowledge of theories of language and learning select an optimum combination of techniques to suit each type of learner and learning situation & provide clear theoretical rationale for decisions	
CORE COMPTENCIES	Lesson and Course Plan- ning	 work with lesson plans in teachers' notes to published materials 	 use published or in-house materials to develop plans for different types of lessons plan phases and timing of various lesson types 	use a syllabus and specified materials to prepare lesson plans that are well-balanced and meet the needs of the group; adjust these plans as required take account of lesson outcomes in planning next lesson	analyse individual learners' needs in detail, including learning-to-learn plan clear main and supplementary objectives for lessons provide a rationale for lesson stages select/design supplementary activities ensure lesson-to-lesson coherence	 plan a balanced, varied scheme of work for a module based on detailed needs analysis design tasks to exploit linguistic and communicative potential of materials design multi-level tasks to meet individual needs and lesson objectives 	plan an entire course with recycling and revision create or select appropriate activities for balanced learning modules with communicative and linguistic content design multi-level tasks to meet individual needs and lesson objectives	
CORECC	Interaction Management and Monitor- ing	 alternate between whole class teaching and pair practice fol- lowing suggestions in a teachers' guide 	 manage teacher-class interaction effectively give clear instructions for pair and group work monitor the resulting activity give clear feedback 	set up pairs and groups efficiently ensure all learners are involved in productive pair and group work monitor performance at all times bring the class back together and manage feedback	set up a varied and balanced sequence of class, group and pair work appropriate to the lesson objectives monitor individual and group work effectively providing or eliciting appropriate feedback	set up group interaction focused on multiple learning objectives monitor individual and group per- formances accurately and thoroughly give various forms of relevant individual feedback	facilitate task-based learning manage learner-centred, multi-level group work derive appropriate action points from monitoring and analysis of the interaction	
	Assessment	 supervise and mark class quizzes and pro- gress tests 	 supervise and mark tests write a class quiz or revision activity to revise recent work 	 select suitable progress tests and set up and supervise them use the results and simple oral and written tasks to assess learners' progress and things to work on use a homework marking code to increase language awareness 	conduct tests and interviews if given material to do so train learners to code their errors to increase language awareness design or select appropriate quizzes, revision activities, and progress tests CEFR standardisation experience	coordinate placement testing and progress assessment (oral & written) use video & hw codes to help learners recognise strengths / weaknesses use CEFR criteria reliably to assess spoken and written proficiency	write progress tests develop assessment tasks run CEFR standardisation sessions use video & hw codes to help learners recognise strengths / weaknesses use CEFR criteria reliably to assess spoken and written proficiency	
COMPLEMENT-ARY SILLS	Teacher Development	take part in training sessions cooperate with colleagues with set tasks regularly observe real teaching	take an active part in group work during training liaise well with other teachers observe & team-teach with teachers at restricted levels act on observation feedback	take an active part in various kinds of in-service training/development actively seek advice from col- leagues and relevant books observe colleagues at various levels act on colleagues' feedback on serial observations of own teaching	develop awareness and competence through professional reading lead discussions sometimes and exchange ideas about materials and techniques seek opportunities to be observed and receive feedback on own teaching	act as mentor to less experienced col- leagues lead a training session or even series of sessions given materials to use and distance support from a colleague seek opportunities for peer- observation	create a series of training modules for less experienced teachers run a teacher CPD programme take part in institutional or (inter) national projects observe colleagues and provide effective feedback	
COMPLEN	Digital Media	 write a worksheet following conventions follow menus to operate software download from resource sites 	search effectively for material on the internet select and download from resource sites organize materials in hierarchically structured folders	use data projectors for class lessons with internet, DVD etc use software for handling images, DVDs, sound files use a camcorder to record tasks set a class an exercise with CALL materials	create lessons with downloaded texts, pictures, graphics, etc. devise tasks using internet-based media such as wikis, blogs, webquests set & supervise individual CALL work coordinate project work with media (camcorder, internet downloads etc)	use PowerPoint for presentations, including animation train students to select and use CALL exercises effectively use authoring program to create CALL troubleshoot with basic equipment (e.g. data projector, printer).	show colleagues how to use new soft/hardware, incl. authoring programs design blended learning modules use any standard Windows software, including media, video editing troubleshoot hardware	

Annex 4. Language Instructors' CV Screening Template

Name of candidate:	CV received on:
Language of teaching:	
Action taken:	

N	Minimum requirements			
		Yes	No	
Language Proficiency	Native speaker in the target language OR official examination certificate at C2 level.			
Language teacher qualifications	Master degree in language teaching, languages, linguistic or related field OR degree in language related field			
Teaching experience	A minimum of 3 years (or 2,400 hours) documented teaching experience teaching the language as a second language within the last 8 years.			
	Taught all levels except C2, developed examination and specialised courses			
	Teaching to adults in a professional training setting .			
Complementary skills	Fluency in a second official language of the United Nations (preferably a working language, English or French)			
	Word-processing skills			
С	Desirable requirements			
Complementary skills	Experience using video, computer and/or multimedia to teach language			
	Experience working in a multicultural environment as a team member			
	Knowledge of other official U.N. languages			

Comments:

Language Teacher **Language Classroom Observation Form**

Ms./Ms. Xxx Name of candidate:

Language Language:

dd / mm / year Date of Interview:

Name of the Panel Members: Ms./Mr. Xxx

Ms./Mr. Xxx Ms./Mr. Xxx Ms./Mr. Xxx

Make the candidate feel at ease:

- Welcome the candidate
- Introduce the panel members
- Explain the steps of the demo and the interview

Demo:

- The class is composed of adult students of different nationalities and speaking different languages.
- The students have a A1/A2/B1/B2/C1 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for languages (CEFR).
- UN language courses encourage an interactive approach and are aligned with the competencies described by the CEFR.
- The class is composed of a minimum of five students and lasts 30 minutes + 20-30 minutes Q/A.

OBSERVATION QUESTIONS FOR THE INSTRUCTOR

What are your objectives for the lesson?
2. How do the objectives relate to the programme / goals of the course?3. To what extent did you achieve your objectives?
4. Which are the aspects of the course you are the most proud of?
5. Is there anything that you would have done differently?
COMMENTS
Strengths / Weaknesses:
Comments (apt / not apt)

1	PREPARATION AND CONTENT (1= Weak, 2= Good, 3= Ex	Cellel
ı	The instructor had clear objectives and a clearly discernible lesson	
	plan	
2	The activities/exercises chosen to achieve the objectives were	
_	appropriate and effective	
3	The exercises and activities were introduced in context	
4	The plan was geared toward real/authentic language use	
5	Cultural instruction was integrated into class activities	
		/
	PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE & EXPERTISE (1= Weak, 2= Good, 3= Ex	celler
1	The teacher demonstrated thorough knowledge of the	
2	grammar presented The teacher appropriate questions about grammar accurately	
_	The teacher answered questions about grammar accurately and appropriately	
3	The teacher addressed other linguistic features pertaining to the	
J	language points (e.g. pronunciation, lexical aspects, etc.)	
1	RHYTHM AND TIME MANAGEMENT (1= Weak, 2= Good, 3= Ex The time allotted for activities was appropriate	cellei
	The time allotted for activities was appropriate	cellei
2	The time allotted for activities was appropriate There were smooth transitions between activities	cellei
2	The time allotted for activities was appropriate There were smooth transitions between activities There was an appropriate balance of structured and open-	celle
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3	The time allotted for activities was appropriate There were smooth transitions between activities There was an appropriate balance of structured and openended/communicative activities TEACHING MATERIAL (1= Weak, 2= Good, 3= Ex	
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2	The class atmosphere was warm, open and accepting			
1	Student participation was active and lively			
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4	Student participation was on task			
3	The seating arrangement facilitated learning			
2	The use of small groups / pair work was appropriate to the learning activities			
1	A variety of work arrangements: use of all group / small groups / pair work			
F.	CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT (1= Weak, 2= Good, 3= 1	/ Excelle		
	appropriately and effectively			
3	The instructor used the target-language in the classroom			
7	All of the learning styles were taken into consideration (visual, auditory, tactile)			
5	The instructor was sensitive to students' cultural diversity			
5	The instructor was sensitive to students' difficulties and abilities			
4	The instructor divided his or her attention among students appropriately			
3	The type of teacher feedback was clear and effective. The amount was appropriate			
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l	The objectives for the lesson were presented effectively and clearly to the students			

Annex 6. Chinese Web Resources

Pronunciation

How to	http://file.chinese.cn/flash_jt/pinyinchart_win/mypinyin.swf
pronounce	
Pinyin	
Pronunciation	http://parlezchinois.free.fr/phonetique_chinois.html
Pinyin Practice	http://pinyinpractice.com/tones.htm
(tones, initials,	
finals)	

Characters and Vocabulary

Learn to write Chinese	http://www.skritter.com/
Characters	
Chinese Flashcards sets	http://www.clavisinica.com/fcsets.html
Vocabulary	http://parlezchinois.free.fr/exercice_hsk.html

Reading

Clavis Sinica : Chinese	http://www.clavisinica.com/resources.html
Reading and Reference	
Software	
Texts	http://www.ramou.net/zhCadreActualite.htm
News	http://www.chinese-shortstories.com/

Listening

Audio	http://www.audio-lingua.eu/
Lingua	
Podcaz	http://pedagogie2.ac-
audio –	reunion.fr/cyberprofLV/index_fichiers/Podcaz_audio_chinois.ht
CyberProf	<u>m</u>

Online courses

Confucius Institut Online	http://adult.chinese.cn/
Great Wall Chinese	http://www.greatwallchinese.cn/portal.do
汉语网	http://www.hanyu.com.cn/
中文泡泡	http://popupchinese.com/
Chinesepod	http://chinesepod.com/
Chine Nouvelle	http://www.chine-
	nouvelle.com/methode/chinois
Chinese Tools	http://www.chinese-tools.com/
Learn Chinese at CriEnglish	http://english.cri.cn/08chinese/index.htm

BetterChinese	http://www.betterchinese.cn/default.asp
Yellow Bridge	http://www.yellowbridge.com/

Online dictionaries

Nciku	http://www.nciku.com/
Chinese-English	http://www.mdbg.net/chindict/chindict.php?page=fla
& English-	<u>shcard</u>
Chinese	
dictionary	
TigerNT	http://www.tigernt.com/
Wikipedia In	http://zh.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:%E9%A6%96%E9
Chinese	<u>%A1%B5</u>

UN Links in Chinese

UN Chinese Programme	http://unclp.org/
(New York)	
UN Radio New 联合国电台	http://www.unmultimedia.org/radio/chinese/
UNICEF 联合国儿童基金会	http://www.unicef.org/chinese/
UN News Centre	http://www.un.org/chinese/News/index.asp
UNEP 联合国环境规划署	http://www.unep.org/chinese/newscentre/def
	<u>ault.asp?ct=animation</u>

Newspapers and magazines

人民网	http://www.people.com.cn/
新华网	http://www.xinhuanet.com/
凤凰网	http://news.ifeng.com/
南方周末	http://www.infzm.com/
BBC in	http://www.bbc.co.uk/zhongwen/simp/
Chinese	
德国之声	http://www.dw.de/%E5%9C%A8%E7%BA%BF%E6%8A%A5%
	E5%AF%BC/s-9058

Audio & audiovisual

Chinese Related	http://www.chinasite.com/Media/Chinatv.html
Television and Radio	
Websites	
中国网络电视	http://bugu.cntv.cn/live/index.shtml
Chinese Radio	http://gb.cri.cn/
International	
土豆网	http://www.tudou.com/
网易视频	http://v.163.com/
Google 视频	http://www.google.com.hk/videohp?hl=zh-
	<u>CN&sourceid=cnhp</u>

Tests

UN Language	http://www.un.org/exam/lpe/preparation/main.asp
Proficiency	
Examinations	
HSK	http://www.hsk.org.cn/english/default.aspx

Arts and culture

The World of	http://www.theworldofchinese.com/
Chinese	
Chinese movies	http://crdp.ac-paris.fr/cinevo_chinois/
V.O.	
Arsinica : site	http://www.arsinica.net/index_ch.html
consacré aux	
échanges culturels	
entre la France et	
la Chine	
Blog on chinese	http://ecrans-editions.tumblr.com/
contemporary arts	
Language and	http://languechinoise.wordpress.com/
culture in China	
Chinese news	http://www.chine-informations.com/chinois/
Chinese Cultural	http://acc6.its.brooklyn.cuny.edu/~phalsall/other.html
Studies	

Learning Chinese in China

北京外国语大学	http://www.bwpx.com/jianzhang/201142/n2432565.html
培训学院 BFSU	
Training	
College	
北京语言大学培	http://www.etraining.org.cn/
训部 Training	
Center of BLCU	
Peking	http://www.pkuchinese.org/
University	
Summer	
Program	
上海师范大学对	http://cms.shnu.edu.cn/Default.aspx?tabid=3345&langua
外汉语学院	ge=en-US
奇迹中文	http://www.miraclemandarin.com/
LONG	http://www.longmandarin.com/En/Main.aspx
Mandarin	
Center	

Resources For Teachers

网络孔子学院-	http://teacher.chinese.cn/
教师版	
中国国家汉办	http://www.hanban.edu.cn/
国家对外汉语	http://www.hanyuwang.cn/
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全球汉语教材	http://www.ctm-lib.com/main
库	
Resources	http://www.emilangues.education.fr/search/node/chinois
Conversation	http://www.xtec.cat/~sgirona/fle/expression_orale/dossier_
	<u>conversation5/index.htm</u>
Classroom	http://www.lepointdufle.net/p/activitesdeclasse.htm
activities	