

CALL FOR TECHNICAL EXPERTS | - Various Countries

BACKGROUND

Sayara International is a development consulting firm committed to building positive change in transitioning societies. By working closely with local partners and communities we take an integrated approach to implementation, research, monitoring, and evaluation. Our programs help communities and institutions develop sustainable, research-based solutions to solve complex development challenges. Sayara works in the areas of stabilization, peace, governance, countering violent extremism, strategic communications, research, monitoring, evaluation, migration / displacement, protection, and youth.

Sayara maintains offices in Kabul, Islamabad, Beirut, Nairobi, Medellin, and Washington, DC.

OVERVIEW OF THE POSITION

We are seeking accomplished researchers and subject matter experts to support Sayara International in a short-term consultant capacity with the development of technical program and research designs and to include on a roster for future short-term overseas consultancy assignments. Sayara conducts a variety of programs in Central / South Asia, the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America that require short-term consultants to carry out desktop & field research, training, and on-the-ground activities.

The following areas of expertise are needed for Sayara's consultant roster:

- Quantitative methods
- Statistics
- Survey design
- Data science
- Migration / displacement
- Governance
- Gender
- Strategic Communications
- Multi-media

ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

EXPERTS MAY BE REQUESTED TO

- Write technical methodologies related to his or her areas of expertise
- Critique program designs, implementation strategies and work plans that Sayara has written and suggest areas for improvement.
- Develop research plans, research instruments and sampling design, qualitative and quantitative analysis and interpretation, reporting and dissemination of research findings on time, on budget, and with high quality
- Undertake, and support others to design and undertake quantitative and qualitative data analysis
- Engage proactively and collaboratively with field-team and support team.

ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Advanced training (master's degree or Ph.D.-level studies) in quantitative, qualitative, and mixed research methodologies is preferred. Qualified candidates should demonstrate capacity to lead the design and implementation of research and monitoring and evaluation projects.

She or he should have a proven track record of taking ownership of various aspects of research project management, writing technical methodologies, developing research questions, designing questionnaires, research instruments and population samples, managing fieldwork, analyzing quantitative and qualitative datasets, writing reports in English on research findings and presenting the results directly to the client. Candidates will have strong communication skills in English and experience working with international organizations.

CANDIDATES SHOULD ALSO POSSESS

- Excellent writing skills
- Experience conducting field research or humanitarian projects in developing countries
- Ability to undertake fieldwork and adapting methods to challenging and resource-constrained conditions.
- Experience conducting and applying research to support practical outcomes
- Background in delivering research training and building research capacity both in person and remotely.
- Ability to communicate technical concepts to colleagues who are not experts in research
- Strong presentation skills and experience of adapting oral and written research outputs to present in non-technical language to diverse audiences from grassroots to senior levels.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to engage appropriately with various audiences
- Track record of delivering research findings on time, on budget, and to a high standard
- Excellent written and fluent spoken English (mother tongue preferred)

POSITION DETAILS

This is an expat position

LOCATION

Consultants will work remotely for writing assignments and on project sites in various countries when offered overseas positions.

DURATION

Assignments related to individual projects will be for one to two days. Future overseas consulting assignments may last from several weeks to several months in duration.

REPORTING LINES

Please send your CV, a brief cover letter, and a writing sample to jobs@sayarainternational.com no later than November 15, 2018.

CLIENTS & PARTNERS

We work with the most reputable organizations in the world. Some of our clients and partners include:

