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Monitoring and Evaluation Officer Position with Research for Health Africa Programme

The Research for Health Africa (R4HA) programme is a NEPAD Agency and COHRED (the Council on Health Research for Development) partnership to strengthen national governance and management capacity of research for health, science, technology and innovation in Africa. R4HA provides strategic and technical support to partner countries through the respective expertise of the NEPAD Agency and COHRED.

R4HA provides:

- Technical support in areas essential to national research for health system development, governance and management;
- Support in building political commitment for research for health;
- Support for the development of national research for health information systems - a key tool for research governance and management;
- Opportunities to network and collaborate with key partners across the continent;
- Advice and support to sustaining national research for health system strengthening activities beyond the duration of the programme.

R4HA is now recruiting a Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Officer. The Officer will be responsible for developing and implementing the monitoring and evaluation strategy for R4HA, building on the programme log-frame, Health Research Web, and on qualitative evaluation methods.

The strategy will be developed in close collaboration, and through continuous exchange, with all members of the R4HA team, other COHRED and NEPAD staff, as well as with external experts when needed. The implementation of the M&E strategy will result in annual M&E reports for the programme, and will facilitate external programme evaluation.

The specific responsibilities include:

- Develop and institutionalize the programme's monitoring and evaluation strategy at the country level with a focus on investment in research.
- Conduct meta-analyses of the progress in the governance and management of research for health across participating countries;
- Collect data, analyse and document results on various aspects of research for health system development in the R4HA participating African countries;
- Write scientific articles jointly with country partners focusing on cross-country analysis of implementation of research for health.
- Develop a strategy for assessing the progress of the R4HA

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programme.

- Support COHRED in developing its M&E capacity

Requirements:

- A relevant university level education at Masters and/or PhD degree level.
- Excellent knowledge of monitoring and evaluation methods and approaches, specifically in the area of research, health, and development.
- Proven work experience in low and middle countries, preferably in Africa
- Hands-on experience of M&E work in Africa and demonstrated ability to produce high quality evaluation reports.
- Excellent writing and communication skills
- Self-driven and able to work autonomously as well as in a (virtual) team.
- Solution-oriented, problem- solving approach to work, and have ability to prioritize and deal calmly and efficiently with different demands.
- Excellent English. French and Portuguese are an asset.
- Willingness to travel extensively and to spend a significant amount of time in the field working with stakeholders and participating countries.
- Swiss C / B working permit

Location: The position will be based at the COHRED office in Geneva

Duration of the position: Two years

Interested candidates should send their applications with curriculum vitae by email to the following address: jobs@cohred.org by Wednesday, 1 February 2012.